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Something To Think About.

When we suddenly come into possession of something great and good it is hard to realize at once its full significance. There were a great many men both among students and graduates, who felt that the new Hall of Commons was an extravagant experiment and one that could not be successful on account of the conditions of fraternities in the college. Never, it was urged, could the different societies be induced to leave their houses. Well the stomach is indeed the surest way to the heart, and a few of us who have enjoyed the meals at the Commons have been won over completely, and have begun to see what that hall may come to mean for the College. If the men who are there now have become better acquainted and feel a little more of the true, wholesome, Hamilton spirit, simply from their three or four gatherings around the big open fire place, what would the spirit be if the whole college were there every day in the week. Why, Hamilton would be a different place, and no sub-freshmen, with a level head, could ever go anywhere else to college after he had once eaten in such a hall with such a crowd.

It may be impossible at present for all to be there, but a suggestion has been made that all should be there once in a while to receive a little of the inspiration of the place. Once or twice a term, why not have the whole college body up to dinner? Twenty-five cents is cheap for a dinner such as we have there. After a good football game for instance, what a "sing" and celebration we would have. If the team could be there with us they would learn as never before that the college is behind them, heart and soul. This is no idle dream, but a happy possibility. The idea is Dr. Stryker's, and his ideas are too potent to keep down. Many of them have developed into buildings, what will this one do? Sometime along the last of November our big game with Amherst will be played. After it the team will break

training, the senior players will have played their last game, and what we feel is to be a successful season, will be over. Let us then initiate a custom of having a football dinner at the Commons, with the whole college out to sing, yell, eat, visit, everything to do honor to the faithful team. Let this be our contribution to the valuable store of college customs.

The Management Needs Help.

We all like to think that football is made up entirely of victories and honors, but there is another side of the game which is quite important and entirely necessary for the support of college football. We speak of the financial part. It is yet early in the season and still it may not be amiss to give the College some idea of the finances and the prospects of receipts this fall.

The management started the season with something like four hundred dollars in the treasury, and while it is allowable to fall back upon this reserve, it is nevertheless greatly to the advantage of our athletics to keep this amount intact. We have an unusually good schedule, but most of the games are to be played out of town, where the management receives only money enough to cover its expenses, consequently there is no gain here. Hobart and Amherst are the only teams which play on the campus. The guarantee to Amherst is very large and the date so late in the season that it may be impossible to get a crowd on account of the weather. So we see that we must depend upon the receipts from the Hobart game and upon subscriptions to pay the expenses of the season. These will be much greater than last year since the coach receives more salary, and the training table also is another addition to the expense.

So here is the outlook: A strong schedule, a good team, heavy expenses, small prospect for gate receipts. It needs no second sight to see that we are sadly in need of large subscriptions and we ask plainly that the College subscribe generously.

Hamilton 47--Cortland 0.

The season's second practice game resulted in an easy victory over Cortland Normal School. The exhibition was as a whole superior to the contest Wednesday since the visitors were heavier and played a better all-round game than the up-state team.

The ball was carried straight down the field for the first touchdown from Hamilton's 15-yard line, tackle and center plays netting the most of the gains. The second score followed Pratt's run of 50 yards, the longest of the game, while on Cortland's return kick-off Soper made a 40-yard sprint that carried the leather well down towards the third touchdown. Short gains through tackle and around the end covered about 80 yards for another score, Hosmer, Mann and Pratt doing most of the work. At this point Cortland braced up and it took quite a while for Hamilton to score the last touchdown of the half, which was gained largely by Bramley's two runs through a broken field. Score, 29-0.

During the second half a large number of substitutes were put in to test out the scrub material. Bennett made the first score after about two minutes of play. Two long runs by Mann and Speh carried the ball over the line for the seventh touchdown, after which Cortland kept the play away from her goal till just before the end of the half when Ehret went across the line and Capt. Wills kicked the final goal. Cortland's only gain of any account was a 15-yard run by Hart around right end. Both Briggs and Hart were injured and obliged to retire from the game.

The team's play was an improvement on the previous game but still needs stitching up sadly. The backs failed utterly to put out the opposing ends and half-backs, and were apparently entirely innocent of an intent to use their hands when running with the ball. The general play was ragged, though at times

fairly fast. The kicking game was wretched.

The squad is constantly increasing and the chances for a good team later in the season are very bright.

Hamilton (47).	Cortland (o).
Soper,	Right end.
Speh, (Dowling)	Right tackle.
Thompson, (Miner)	Right guard.
Nellis, (Davis)	Center.
Wills, (Capt.)	Left Guard.
Waygant, (Barrows)	Left tackle.
Evans, (LeMunyan)	Left end.
Bramley, (McIntyre)	Quarterback.
Pratt, (Bennett)	Right halfback.
Hosmer, (Pratt, Stryker)	Left halfback.
Mann, (Ehret)	Fullback

Touchdowns—Mann 3, Waygant 2, Speh 1, Ehret 1. Goals—Bramley 6, Wills 1. Umpire, Bingham, Colgate, '02. Referee—Dudley. Linesmen and timer—Strickland and Robinson. Assistants—Bristol and Bartholomew. Time of halves, 15 minutes.

Fiction Club.

Owing to the failure of the attempt to establish a branch of "The Book-lovers' Club" among the students of the College the Students' Fiction Club will be continued this year under the old conditions. A small but carefully selected list of the best current fiction will be placed at the College library in charge of the librarian. A membership fee of \$1.00 for the College year will be charged. After the books have been read by the members they will be sold and the money re-invested. The following books have been selected as a partial list for this year. A part will be ordered at once and others will be obtained as soon as the receipts from fees will warrant: "Gordon Keith," by Page; "Mettle of the Pasture," by Allen; "Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," by Fox; "The Call of the Wild," by London; "The Lightning Conductor," by Williamson; "The Voice of the Desert," by Mackie; "Darrel of the Blessed Isle," by Bacheller; and when published, "The Heart of Rome," by Crawford, "The Crossing," by Churchill, and "Forest Home," by Chas. Major. The membership fee may be paid to Librarian Post.

College Meeting.

After noon chapel Saturday, the Athletic Association held its regular fall meeting. The first business transacted was to amend that part of the constitution which deals with winning of the "H." For a long time this clause has been ambiguous and generally misunderstood. No one has seemed to know whether a man must fulfill all the requirements to secure an "H." in one season or whether his achievements could be spread over his whole course. This has now been definitely settled. A man must play his required games of football, basket-ball or base-ball and win the required number of points in track all in one season to be entitled to his "H."

MacIntyre was elected assistant manager of basket-ball. Dr. Fitch was chosen to care for the finances during the coming year. Before and after the regular association meeting the College got together and livened things up in good shape. Ward, '02, spoke, urging the necessity of better support for the football coach to ensure a successful season. That the College agreed with every word he uttered has been testified by the thirty-five football men who have been out for practice this past week. This is the spirit which will give Hamilton a strong aggregation on the gridiron this year. Don't let the good work lag, keep it up throughout the season.

Honor Roll.

The following is the ranking of the men for the College year just passed:

1904.

High Honor—Abbott, Brandt, Ferguson, M. White, Schermerhorn, Wicks.

Honor—Bastian, Carr, W. F. Dowling, Evans, Lown, Miner, Monson, S. Sherman, Tibbitts, Toll, Wills, Wisewell.

Credit—Carter, Collins, Hotchkiss, A. E. Newton, Post, Pratt, Remington, Seiter, Sisson, R. C. White, Wood.

1905.

High Honor—Beach, Day, Patton, Schwab, Stowell, Sullivan.

Honor—Abbey, Dean, Eysaman, France, Harwood, MacIntyre, Merrick, Richardson, Root, Speh, Thompson.

Credit—Crumb, E. B. Rogers, Farrell, Hayes, L. Jenks, Kingsley, Palmer, Rockwell.

1906.

Honor—Benedict, Brokaw, Driscoll, Gentes, C. Jenks, Kellogg, McLean, Sicaud, Tanner, Watson.

Credit—Bennett, Crawford, Drummond, Fitch, Hallock, P. A. Miller, W. G. Miller, Nellis, Purdy, T. M. Sherman, Sittig.

Syracuse University.

Twice during the past four years College meetings have been held for the purpose of renewing athletic relations with Syracuse. Both times the proposition was voted down by the college body. Now, what is the matter with Syracuse, that we cannot once more compete with her? The plea of professionalism has often been urged, but it is the opinion of the writer that this violation of athletic rules has now entirely disappeared. Syracuse is only a short distance from here and as the expenses of a trip for either college would be small, this element of finance would certainly be a point in its favor. During the past few years Syracuse has supported excellent teams and the rivalry between Syracuse and Hamilton would be of great interest. She is among our nearest neighbors, and the old spirit of hatred should now be laid away and once more we should meet as friendly rivals.

We are now competing again with Union and both colleges have shown a remarkable friendship toward each other in athletic contests. Union publicly acknowledged, through the college publication, her appreciation of our good will at the football game last fall. She also deserves praise for the entertainment of our baseball team last spring.

Let us think this Syracuse matter over and let some movement be started to again meet her in friendly contests on the athletic field. A step was taken in this direction last spring when a chess tournament was held at Syracuse. Let's not stop here, but push the good work along.

A Mistake.

Those who listened intently to what President Stryker said in his speech abolishing "protection," knew that he did not advise freshmen to defend themselves with knives. Someone, however, thought he did and in consequence a paper in Johnstown published a sensational editorial stating that the president of Hamilton College had advised the use of knives on sophomores. It was an unfortunate mistake because it gave a chance to those who are always waiting to hold Hamilton and all colleges up to ridicule. Of course it is all over now; but the incident should teach the undergraduates to be careful lest through them the world at large get a wrong impression of the college. Stor-

ies of rows and painting and such things are classed as "student foolishness" by the outside world; but when a member of the faculty speaks it is different. Outsiders look on a college professor as a man who speaks with authority and deliberation, and he is held accountable for every word. So it is that anxious mothers down in Johnstown have spent sleepless nights in dread lest their boys be brought home from the Hamilton massacre with knife wounds in their abdomens. After all, you know, there are some things spoken under the home roof that you wouldn't think of telling on the street. The same caution ought to be used in this big family of ours on College hill.

Majestic Theatre.

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 Monday—William Faversham in "Imprudence." Prices 25, 50, 75, \$1.00, \$1.50.
 Tuesday and Wednesday with matinees—"A Child Wife." Prices 15, 25, 35, 50 and 75. Matinees, 10 and 25.
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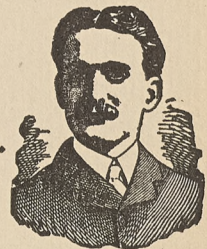
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THE LIFE board has been strangely unfortunate this fall in the loss of members. First in France it felt the vacancy caused by the departure of a faithful worker and a cheerful companion. Now comes the sudden news that Downey also must leave college. The board will miss him too. May both of them find the success which is their due.

TO THE FRESHMEN.

The LIFE board decided last spring that from now on, all the new members who should be taken on the board must show their mettle by first contributing articles to the paper throughout the year. And that only those men who did write should be considered. It seems only fair to put this to you freshmen at the beginning of your first year. It lies with you whether or not you qualify for a place on the board. Articles on all subjects will be welcomed from any of you at any time.

THE NEW YORK TRIP.

Next Tuesday morning the football team leaves for New York to play the annual game with Columbia at the Polo Grounds. The game comes a week earlier than heretofore. For this reason it will not be convenient for many men to leave their work to accompany the team. But every man who possibly can should follow on. The management will secure reduced rates, so that the entire trip can be made at small cost. It is an excellent chance for one to view New York and should be so considered by the College body. There will be a large crowd of alumni in attendance at the game, consequently it will offer a chance for the renewal of old friendships. Those desiring further particulars may get the desired information from the football management.

THE UNION GAME.

Two weeks from today the football team plays Union on Union's campus. We all remember what a delegation they sent up here to Clinton last fall with their team, and what systematic rooting their supporters showed us. Now it would ill befit us to do less this fall. A hundred and fifty men should go down to the game and they should go well organized. We have but a short time to get the songs and yells in working order, so let's not waste any of these precious chances. From now on let there be a large crowd on the athletic field to practice all our rooting stunts. If the men will take this up with the spirit they should, Union will be taken into camp and out-rooted on her own campus.

BLEACHERS.

Some of the fellows in the junior class have been considering the advisability and possibility of raising enough money among themselves to pay for the building of some movable bleachers. We can not praise this scheme too much, for we all realize that there is a sad need of seating space when we have a large crowd on the athletic field. The grandstand is small and is usually given to our visitors, so that the fellows here are compelled to stand along the side lines and look over the heads of their neighbors. Aside from the convenience, the bleachers would have another advantage in that they would gather the students in a body, thus aiding materially the cheering and singing at athletic contests.

The object in having these bleachers movable is that they may be placed along the side lines for football games and a few feet back of the base line at baseball games. No one can fail to see the advantage of such an addition to our field. Thus far no definite plans have been made, but if the juniors will start the ball rolling the other classes may fall into line. Such bleachers are not costly and no one would be taxed high enough to inconvenience him.

THE READING ROOM.

The Y. M. C. A reading room has been sick for some little time. It is not improving but in fact seems to be rapidly growing worse. The disease we don't define. The cause of it, however, is habitual neglect, and the remedy, attention. It does not look exactly neat to see a stack of chairs piled breast

high in the hall. Although the artistic beauty of this pile may appeal to some, it does not to most of us. Then there are the magazines. We have a fairly good list of magazines that are placed on file each month. We all like them, but some of us take such a fancy to them that we can't part company. This generally results in a loss to the reading room. In other words many of the best monthly magazines are "borrowed" from the Y. M. C. A. a few hours after they arrive. This year, also, the same thoughtlessness in cutting the papers and magazines is beginning to crop out. This seems a trivial offense, but it is very annoying to an interested reader to find a whole half column or more extracted in a way that breaks up the whole continuity of an article. Such carelessness can be remedied and should be attended to at once.

ONCE AGAIN.

How did Hamilton come out in her last game? This is what a graduate wonders, and he does not live two hundred miles from Clinton. Graduates from the western part of the state ask the same question. We see accounts of games played by other colleges which are no larger than Hamilton. Why is it? Well it is not because the sporting editor of the New York Sun telegraphs up to Hobart or Rochester or Union after each game and implores them to send immediate word concerning the result of their games. It is because these colleges do some hustling and send the results to the big newspapers and these newspapers are glad to print their messages. We do not have to confine ourselves to results alone, for we have a coach with a name. Why not let people know that we have a fine football team and who it is that is making it? A press club is the solution of this problem.

Hints to Freshmen.

When you meet a college man speak to him. It is not his place to speak to you first. Go to your class prayer meeting. Attend the Y. M. C. A. every Sunday afternoon. Be at the Gym, every afternoon when you can to help the football men, they are tired after working hard out on the field and would appreciate any attention. Get out on Steuben Field every day and join in cheering the men at practice.

Hamilton's New Buildings.

This past summer, in the course of my wanderings, I came across an old alumnus who had not been back to the Hill since the days of '85. That fact was evident, as his question concerning the rooms in Middle College showed. "Well, I'm surprised!" said he, after I had told him of some of our new glories. And it is indeed surprising.

Not as the palace that was built in a night, for that speedily vanished, but to endure, have our new additions come. Even within our memory new buildings have arisen, old stone piles disappeared and new roofs come to shelter us.

The past summer has been, perhaps, the most remarkable in building that we have yet seen. The new chemical laboratory has shot up as if by magic. 'Tis a handsome building. It stands over beyond the tennis courts,—removed, and yet perfectly accessible to those whose feet are wont to stray into the dominion of odorous learning. The old laboratory has disappeared somewhere, doubtless ashamed of itself when compared with its new and more pretentious rival. Seriously speaking, then, the new Lab. is indeed a handsome workshop. Its stone corresponds with the sky that forms its background, while its green tinted roof gives a very pleasing and finished aspect to the whole structure.

Yes, we have lost the old Lab., but in its place there is grandly rising the magnificent new Carnegie dormitory, which, when completed, will be by far the finest and most costly building on the campus. Although it has as yet only grown to the second story, still we can see what a really imposing edifice it will be. According to the plans, the building will be considerably larger than North College and far finer in equipment. Electric lights, steam heat, running water and bath rooms on each floor are some of the luxuries to which we are looking forward. We are lucky, indeed, to be the recipients of such a gift. All thanks, then, to Andrew Carnegie!

Maybe this is only the beginning. Who can tell? Perhaps we will come back here, years hence, and hear our sons complaining of the absence of elevators in Carnegie. That phase of the situation isn't worrying us just now. We are proud of our new buildings; we are glad of the love that has brought them here. The promised new times are surely upon us. Prexy's dream is becoming a reality.

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Local Notes.

—Jordan, '05, spent Sunday at his home.

—Ward, '02, has been on the Hill recently.

—The finest football weather in years, so they say.

—A new broad jumping track has been graded.

—The bookstore runs on schedule time this year.

—Will Hamilton defeat Columbia? Well we guess so.

—"Prexy" announces that Carr, '04, is a second Daniel Webster.

—Bloyer, '06, tells a Latin professor that he is a scientific man.

—Strickland, '04, has been coaching the "scrub" during the week.

—Why not have an under-classman base ball game in the near future?

—Schermerhorn, '04, announces that he is not going to Utica this term.

—Purdy, '06, was rather angry at "Bill Shep." for calling him a freshman.

—Sicard, '06, who has been visiting in Elmira for a few days, returned Tuesday.

—Loftis, '05, and MacDonald, '06, spent Sunday at Buffalo with Roosa, '06.

—When is that tennis championship to be decided? Let us hope it will be soon.

—The ducking season is here once more as many of the under-classmen can testify.

—Soper, '07, over-sleeps and fails to understand why he cannot recite his Latin with the juniors.

—While in Utica last Sunday evening "Sliver" Davis claims to have heard the curfew bell on the Hill.

—All issues of the current numbers of the magazines have been "borrowed" from the reading room.

—Miller, '06, looking at his term bill wonders who is the doctor of the trustees of Hamilton College.

—It is queer that the sophomores take such an interest in the coins which Prof. Ebeling exhibits at his desk.

—Roosa, '06, who has been employed as athletic director at the play-grounds in Buffalo, has returned to college.

—Bramley, '06, is suffering from a sprained ankle which he obtained in the game with Cortland last Saturday.

—There are again rumors in college of forming a golf team for next spring. Can not these rumors become realities?

—It is with regret that we learn that Downey, '05, has left college. We shall miss him when winter brings our musical clubs.

—France, '05, will not return to college this fall. He has entered Columbia University where he will continue his college work for a year, then and enter the law school.

—The football squad has been greatly increased since last Saturday. Good work fellows. Nothing is a greater surety of a winning team than a large number of men to choose from.

—After Wednesday Chapel the juniors re-elected their class officers of last year to serve another term. Stowell, president; Harwood, vice president; Day, secretary; and Kingsley, treasurer.

—At a college meeting held on Saturday Dr. Fitch was elected treasurer of the Athletic Association to fill the vacancy of Dr. Robinson. McIntyre, '05, was elected assistant manager of basketball to take the place of France, '05.

—Now is the time to call the attention of the fraternities and other residents on the hill, to the fact that the sidewalks need some repairs before snow comes. Many boards are loose and a few entirely gone. Coasting will soon be here; now is the time to fix them.

Did You Ever Stop to Think?

That the new Chemical Laboratory will shield the tennis courts very materially from the strong winds that are wont to sweep across them?

That about the best basket-ball forward in the state was detained from entrance to Hamilton, when Stark, of Little Falls, failed to pass his entrance exams?

That the College catalogue figures about \$150 out of the way in its estimate of the actual expenses incurred each year?

That a night lunch wagon somewhere near the campus would make a poor man rich in six months time?

If not, pause and do so.

The St. Lawrence Game.

The St. Lawrence game was something of a surprise, a disappointment, and a lesson. The team and the College certainly expected a rather easy victory, but on the contrary the game was fiercely fought and our success was hardly won. St. Lawrence sent down a team that averaged close to ours in weight and what was more, that played hard, fast football from the start.

Thompson opened the game by kicking off to St. Lawrence's 25-yard line and the ball was run back two yards. The visitors then commenced a fierce, well sustained and concerted attack on Hamilton's line. Using only their backs, by a continuous series of gains of from one to ten yards, chiefly through center and tackle, in which their half backs, Wilson and Alexander figured most prominently, they carried the ball straight down to within six inches of Hamilton's goal line, a distance of 80 yards. Here Hamilton got the ball on downs but fumbled on the very first play and Baltz fell on the ball for a touchdown. Alexander missed the goal. Score, St. Lawrence 5, Hamilton 0.

Hulbert kicked to Hamilton's 30-yard line. Bennett circled right end for 25-yards and after a couple of line-bucks Pratt made 20 yards around the other end. Line plunging took the ball to the 2-yard line where it was fumbled, but Bramley fell on the leather over the line and kicked the goal. Score, Hamilton 6, St. Lawrence 5.

Thompson kicked to St. Lawrence's 30-yard line when time was called for the half.

Second Half.—Hulbert kicked off and St. Lawrence got the ball on Hamilton's 45-yard line. Line plunges by the visitor's backs took it to the 18-yard line where Hamilton held for downs by a 6-inch margin. Pratt got through tackle for 40-yards. St. Lawrence held Hamilton's line-bucks on their 20-yard line and immediately began another attack upon Hamilton's line that netted a total advance of 45-yards. Alexander tried a drop-kick which MacIntyre ran back 45-yards to St. Lawrence's 50-yard line. Roosa made 35 yards around end, but was called back. On another trial he circled the same end for 20 yards and from here Hamilton carried the ball rapidly down for a score about a minute before the call of time. Score, St. Lawrence 5, Hamilton 11.

The game was a disappointment not so much from the score, for St. Law-

rence had a good team and put up a hard game, as from the general showing of the team. The defensive work was powerless against a well directed attack. The line played high and lacked anything like the necessary dash and vim. The attack was as usual straggling and individual; the backs failed to use their hands and were too easily stopped. The team as a whole seemed to showed a lack of hard practice and of fierce determination and dash. The paucity and mediocrity of scrub material has up to the present time precluded any adequate scrimmage work. It's up to the College and the men to "bohn" in if we expect to play up to our schedule. Coaching can't do it all.

Hamilton 11. St. Lawrence 5.

Soper.	Right end.	Stephenson.
Speh.	Right tackle.	Ford.
Thompson.	Right guard.	Folson.
Nellis.	Center.	Baltz.
Wills, (Capt.)	Left guard.	Crossman.
Barrows, (Weygant.)	Left tackle.	Waite.
Evans.	Left end.	Main.
Bramley, (MacIntyre.)	Quarterback.	Austin.
Pratt, (Bennett, Roosa.)	Right halfback.	Wilson.
Hosmer, (Pratt.)	Left halfback.	Alexander, (Capt.)
Mann,	Fullback.	Hulbert.

Umpire—Dr. Stafford, Syracuse. Referee—E. K. Baxter, Hobart. Linesmen—Bristol and Conkley. Timer—Strickland. 15 minutes halves. Touchdowns—Baltz, Bramley, Roosa. Goal kicked—Bramley.

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