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College Spirit.

If there is anything which distinguishes one college, its influences, environments, traditions and training from another; which exhibits a good college in all the wealth and beauty of its attractions and a bad college in all the wretchedness of its weakness, it is that which we denominate college spirit. Of this spirit, there are two kinds, the false and the true, the base and the noble, the ugly and the fair. The latter is the pride of college men and the glory of college life; the spirit which lightens burdens, inspires sacrifice and lends to half of college life the sheen of poetry and the charm of romance. The former is that narrow, selfish, shameful sort which we call "muckerism," a slang term unequalled by any English synonym for its terrible suggestiveness and deeply significant to every college student. The latter finds its representative in Hamilton; the other, its almost perfect embodiment in Union.

Go to any foot-ball field, watch the two teams as they battle for victory, observe the attitude and actions of the assembled students and you have an infallible mirror in which you may see reflected their whole inner life. College spirit is college honor; it is the very breath as it is the highest ornament of college life. How small in kind, how scant in supply must be the college spirit of that student who would blemish willfully or ignorantly the name and character of his Alma Mater by committing or permitting acts of ruffianism which might befit the barroom of a dive or the gutter fighting of toughs, but which are as repugnant to decency as they are hostile to every principle of honor and fairness; which are as non-descript and abnormal on a college field as in a ball-room. A man must be a moral renegade, an example of sublime littleness, ignorance and in-

decency who would so belittle and betray his college and impale it before the world in such a blotched and ugly light.

A college student, we may say without exaggeration, is the most responsible person in the world. It is he, more than anyone, who is answerable for the honor not only of his college but of his race. It is he who is supposed to be and ought to be the highest pattern of citizenship, the finest type of manhood, the most perfect embodiment of powers and virtues which may be aggregated in one human being. He is considered an example, looked up to as a guide. Private intelligence is a public trust; education is duty; and where such outrages as occurred last Saturday are possible one of three inferences must be drawn, either men are not educated, moral influences must be vicious or intelligence is not high enough to grasp the purpose of power or the meaning of duty.

Why O Union! should Hamilton be the object of your wrath? Because we are healthy and prosperous and cherish ambitions, athletic and intellectual, beyond your limited right to entertain or above your little power to reach, is this any reason why you should envy us, that envy should expand into fear, augment into hate, and develop into violence? Envy is a tribute weakness renders to strength. The weak are always the most cowardly. Men do not strive to cripple those of whom they are not afraid. Violence is the child of fear, the refuge of impotence; an indication of feebleness, a confession of dread. Remember too that colleges do not enter the temple of greatness through the portal of littleness. To be famous, a college must not be infamous. The ambition to appear great through violence, injustice and treachery prevents a college from becoming great. A clean defeat is more indicative of strength, more cause for exultation, than an unmanly victory. Had you had tact to conceal your fear, you

would have had power to hide your weakness. And consider this, you who are small in all but your littleness; it is a mark of superiority to resign oneself to the mediocrity with which nature has endowed one. With this self-knowledge and submission, there are no absurd ambitions, no immoderate stirring after impossibilities, no affecting of unpossessed genius. There is no meaner littleness than the desire of appearing without the power of being great. On the other hand, those who perceive and abide by their littleness cease to be altogether little. Ponder these words and profit by their suggestion. And if unable to evolve from your consciousness a pattern of gentlemanliness, an ideal of conduct, come to Hamilton where cleanliness is a cardinal principle of all athletics and where purity is placed before victory. As a college we do not claim to be cleaner than the majority, but we are clean and have proved it in every contest for years and in all our relations with sister institutions.

True college spirit upon the diamond, track, or gridiron, does not consist in dishonorable, and cowardly attacks of scurf or muscular violence upon opponents; it concerns itself only with the team it represents; it encourages them by its presence, it supports them with its cheers, it enthuses and thrills them with open and manly manifestations of its interest and sympathy; its cheer is as loud, its song as glad, its interest as great, its hope as high in the hour of defeat as of victory; it soothes the pain of failure as it exalts the pride of triumph. It is just in its partiality and controlled in its frenzy. It considers victory won through fraud, defeat, and defeat sustained in honesty, victory. And it is just such a spirit that Hamilton displayed two weeks ago in her game with Carlisle. And in all our athletic relations, we have sought and succeeded to display the same amity of spirit, to pursue the same fairness of policy. We are not flinging bouquets at ourselves, nor pinning strange medals to our breasts; we are stating things as they are, as they ought to be, as they have been, and as, let us hope, they may always be. Humiliation comes not from defeat but from dishonor. Reputation is bought more cheaply by clean, though vanquished valor than by vile, though victorious trickery.

Athletic Department.

R. S. C. DRUMMOND, - - - - - Editor
E. J. WARD, - - - - - Reporter.

Union vs. Hamilton.

Wallowing in a sea of mud, in a pouring rain, amidst the yells of Union men and unfair, ungentlemanly treatment generally by crowd and umpire, Hamilton played Union at Schenectady last Saturday a tie game, neither side scoring. Under the impression that we were to play with gentlemen, fellow students, and not muckers, the Hamilton management arranged the game, but what a disappointment it was. Instead of fair play we received discriminating decisions, instead of ordinarily courteous treatment our coach was mobbed, and our rooters in constant danger of violence from the crowd, and this from a college, calling itself an institution of learning, a college supposed to stand for cultivation and refinement.

Union appeared on the field at three fifteen, and Hamilton a few minutes later. Play was called at 3:30, Union kicking off. For the next few minutes Hamilton gained continually. First, Stowell made 10 yards, then Mason 7, and we had the ball on Union's 30 yard line. A trick resulted in no gain, then Stowell made 5 yards, and Mason gained 2 more around the end. A buck gave us 3 yards more, and then Union braced. In vain did our men hammer the line and in the third down we attempted a buck. But somebody fumbled, and it was Union's ball. Union kicked to our 40 yard line, and Hamilton lost the ball on a fumble. Union tried a delayed pass play with no gain, and then hit our line for 2½ yards. On the next play Union attempted a goal from the field, but failed. MacLaughlin caught the ball, and brought it back 10 yards before being downed. The ball was now on Hamilton's 25 yard line. This was the nearest approach to scoring Union made during this half. Stowell plunged into the line, and gained 3 yards. Mason was downed for a loss, but a line buck netted six yards. Then "Chick" made a star run of 40 yards, but ran out of bounds, making a net gain of 10 yards for Hamilton. A plung on left tackle netted 5 yards. Successive line bucks varied with end runs brought the ball

to Union's 20 yard line, and here they braced and obtained the ball on downs. Union tried our line for small gains, and then kicked. Hamilton began the same old plugging away tactics, and worked the ball down toward the coveted goal line again. Again Union held, and again Hamilton by ready gains forced the ball to Union's 4 yard line when time was called, the half being cut short at least three minutes. Stowell, Mason, Sheppard, Keogh and Peet all made good gains during this half, and Hamilton outplayed Union at every point, the ball being in the latter's territory nearly all the time.

After 10 minutes rest came the second half, which is like a nightmare in the minds of those who saw the game, and will be forever a disgrace to Union College. Union came on the field with the intention of winning anyway, if not fairly, then any way they could.

Hamilton kicked off, and Union having tried our ends, and finding them impregnable began to hammer our line. Little by little Union pushed us through the mud and then fumbled, and it was our ball. Stowell made 2 yards on a buck, Lake 5 on a tackle back play, Ward 3, and Keogh 4 more. Then Mason aided by splendid interference made 30 yards around the end. Sheppard made 5 more, and then in Union's 5 yard line, in sight of a touchdown, Hamilton fumbled, and a red jersey fell on the ball. Union of course kicked, and again Hamilton shoved the ball slowly down the field, but on Union's 30 yard line our Nemesis appeared, and another fumble lost the ball to Union, but only to regain it, for in the next play Union fumbled. Mason made another pretty run, the Union line resisting well, MacLaughlin tried a goal from the field, but the ball was slippery and no score was made. Union encouraged by a steal of 10 yards by Umpire Palmer began to rush the ball down the field by short gains. During these plays Union made her one large gain of 20 yards in a line buck. While this was going on there was even more excitement in the side lines, for Sweetland was set upon by a crowd of 50 or 60 Union men, and roughly handled. Why? Oh just because he was interested in Hamilton! It was now so dark, it was impossible to see the ball, and Union taking advantage of

this fact pushed the ball to Hamilton's 10 yard line, losing it here on a fumble. Peet attempted to kick, but owing to the darkness could not see the ball, and a poor kick resulted in Union getting the ball on our 20 yard line. Union made 5 yards on a line buck, through Hamilton's left tackle, and then time was called.

The line up of the teams was as follows:

Union.	Hamilton.
Clark	R. E. Redmond
Shaw	R. T. Stowell
Collier	R. C. Ward
Finnegan	C. Gilbert
Bryan	L. C. Sheppard
Fenton	L. T. Lake
Thebo	E. Drummond
Weed	Q. T. MacLaughlin
	W. MacLaughlin
Carver	R. H. Mason
Gordon	L. H. Peet, Naylor
Paige	F. Keogh, Peet

Referee, Dudley, Hamilton, '95; Umpire, Palmer, Cornell, '93; Timekeepers, Speh, Hamilton; Loonk, Union. Time of halves 20 and 25 minutes. Attendance 500.

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Foot-Ball Subscriptions,

The end of the season is within gun shot (10 inch gun), and each fellow should think whether his foot-ball subscription is paid or not. If you were the only man who had not paid his subscription, it would not bankrupt the management, but when a good many are shy it mounts to a considerable sum. It hinders the management. In arranging games they counted on that money, and it puts them in a bad hole to be obliged to run things on less money. A manager's life is hard enough without being made any harder by fellows who do not pay their subscriptions. No one likes to be dunned, we all know that, so does the management. Pay your subscription and you won't be dunned!

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A request from a subscriber has induced "Life" to say nothing publicly about the restoration of Dr. Elkin's book. The restoration will be made privately.

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The library is used a great deal by the freshmen. This is a good thing—for the freshmen.

Foot-Ball Score,

Tuesday, November 7.

Cornell, 29; Columbia, 0.
C. C. N. Y., 5; N. Y. C. of P., 0.

Saturday, November 11.

Princeton, 12; Indians, 0.
Harvard, 11; Dartmouth, 0.
U. of P., 11; U. of Mich., 10.
Lafayette, 6; Cornell, 5.
Yale, 42; Penn State, 0.
Columbia, 16; West Point, 0.
Williams, 38; Amherst, 0.
Naval Cadets, 35; Trinity, 0.
N. Y. University, 6; Rutgers, 5.
Brown, 39; M. I. T., 0.
Wesleyan, 16; Holy Cross, 0.
U. of Vermont, 6; Colgate, 0.

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Squibs.

The sight of the coal wagon and the sound of shoveling coal are becoming very prevalent around the campus. Evidently winter—and allowances—has come.

The new chapel bell does not have the cracked sound in winter. C'est bon.

The historical seniors have had lots of work. Besides the American History reports, which in some cases amounted to 15,000 words, they have written Economic History theses, some of which were 8,000 words long.

Prexy is giving the seniors a good course in debating and Parliamentary Law. In previous years these have been crammed into one hour, but this year two hours are allowed them.

Would not a lunch wagon on the campus be a great boom to hungry students? It would do a pretty good business, for a while, at least.

Churchill, 1901, and Bartholomew, 1901, have left college. Bartholomew is teaching the little school just west of the campus.

A person fond of magic and necromancy, would do well to visit the physics recitation. Some of Pills' experiments are, to say the least, interesting and marvellous.

There has been considerable talk and agitation down street towards getting a golf links. It would be a very good thing if we could get a golf links of our own on the campus.

Tennis has not awakened much enthusiasm among the students this fall. It seems to have become a dead issue.

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There is a good solid word familiar to every college man from east to west, and this word is "mucker." It is a hard word to define. We will not say it is undefinable, but, at least, we will not attempt a definition for there is no one who is ignorant of its meaning. Then there follows the term "mucker spirit"—the spirit which a mucker shows. And a "mucker spirit" is a spirit which no gentleman will show. Now the Hamilton College foot-ball team, substitutes, and rooters assuredly, believe that Union College showed a mucker spirit when they assaulted Sweetland in Schenectady last Saturday. "Life" has made a canvass of those who were at the game, and saw the disgraceful affair, and as yet no Hamilton man has been found who has not said that it was a "mucker trick," and inspired by a "mucker spirit." No matter what provocation (and we admit none) Union College men had no right to publicly and maliciously assault a guest of theirs, for Sweetland was a guest of theirs as much as any member of the Hamilton team. Yes, more! there is not a man on

the team who would not have preferred that the assault had been directed against him rather than against our coach. He is too nice a man—we all like him too well to have anything like that happen to him for our sakes. And another point to be regarded is, that the insult was not put upon him for his own personality, but as a representative of Hamilton College. In no other way could the college have been so directly insulted. Now, there is an old time maxim that a person is known by the company he keeps. Hamilton men are gentlemen. To be gentlemen is our ideal, and we will affirm that we attain our ideal. But association with Union will lay us open to the contaminating influence of "mucker spirit." We will get hardened, and will think no more of assaulting a member or a coach or a rooter of a visiting team than we will of watching the game! with Union will lay us open to the contaminating influence of "mucker spirit." Our only recourse is to cut off association with Union until they eliminate their "muckers" and "mucker spirit." Hamilton must and shall preserve her standard for sportsmanlike conduct and gentlemanliness.

Now is the time to encourage the foot-ball team by increased enthusiasm and interest on the part of the student body. To-day we play Colgate, and during this game a stream of yells should be kept up. But, above all, do not scurf any Colgate man, player or rooter. Be careful of this. Of course, yelling is not scurfing, and we can keep our character as gentlemen, and keep on yelling. After the game to-day, comes the New York trip, including games with Trinity and New York University. The team will have three hard games in eight days. You must encourage them, and make them realize that the glory of the college is at stake. Of course, the Colgate game is of great importance, for the winning of the pennant depends upon it, but we must beat Trinity and New York, too, if possible. We do not wish to have Colgate take the pennant from us. It would be a hard thing for the college. So, let us all work together and cheer the team on to redoubled efforts.

Hamilton needs a press association.

Many colleges inferior to us advertise themselves by notices in the papers of various cities where there are papers that publish college news. Now, right here in New York State, there are quite a number of city papers which every week, usually on Monday, publish the news of different colleges. This keeps the colleges before the public eye. But, we are not represented there. We ought to be, and the best way for us to be would be the formation of a press association, which would put suitable news and notices from Hamilton in these papers. We need advertising, for when people come to know Hamilton, and become acquainted with the advantages offered here, we will not be able to keep enough students away.

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One of the faculty spoke of "Life" as the "college bulletin." We thank him for the idea, and we now announce that our ideal is to become the college bulletin. We will publish any notice which is of interest to the college—any notice which would appear on the bulletin board and would attract the attention of the college, there. If any student wishes to make any notice public, send it to us. If you wish to advertise for objects lost or for objects wanted, our rates are very low! We will endeavor hereafter, to run a bulletin board department if this idea meets with the approval of the students. Try us with your notices, and see the results.

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Conscience,

Conscience! Ah what would we do without thee? 'Tis a great thing to have a conscience that pricks and recalls to mind misdeeds that have been done. Deeds that would gladly glide into oblivion, are brought to mind for a future safeguard by the prick of conscience. Oh conscience, thou wast seen on the campus within the week. 'Nou recalled deeds and deeds to mind. Thou surprised many. Little did they think that you would come from that quarter. You pleased them for truly they rejoice with great joy at your appearance, even though enfolded in thy gray vestments. Oh conscience immortal, they revere thee, and beseech thee to be ever present—still at thy door, at thy prick can be laid loss to "Life."

Local Department.

H. MINTZ, - - - - - Editor.
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Locals.

Nov. 8. Foot-ball practice in the mud, and hard work too. Sweetland, plays on the scrub and puts on two extra men. Dud asked Croft when he paused. Croft —“after embraces.” Lots of voters come back. Our Deke is here. We breathe again. We can hear the old jokes whistle across the campus. A hot noon chapel. Charles R. Clark, 1900, gets letters from his thirteen girls. What a lucky brute!

Nov. 9. The last line-up before the Union game. Both elevens plays well. Shep sings “She’s my Honolulu lady” for the benefit of the team in the dressing room, and Gilbert wants to know how long the team will remain in “New” Hartford at the Trinity game. Henry Hull enters the fourth month in his two years’ swearing contest. He is getting terribly proficient. Go it, Henry, you have a fine start. Class prayer, meetings at 7 o’clock. “Life” board meeting. “Davy” MacNaughton fell on a large paving stone while crossing the campus, and broke four hairs out of his moustache. Since then he has carried his mouth in a sling. “Davy” has the sympathy of the whole college.

Nov. 10. Waddell calls at Houghton! The foot-ball practice is signals, and the work is quite fast. John MacHarg does a few waltz steps in the aisle of the chapel. You are coming on fast, Johnnie! Higgins gets up early and applies “Seven Sutherland’s Sisters’ Hair Tonic.” The college is sorry that Churchill has left. He was a nice fellow.

Nov. 11. Everybody cusses the weather, and prays for the foot-ball team. Team leaves on the 7:50 for Union. Dick Cookinham, Goss Stryker, Easy Hicok, Marvin and Kelsey, ’98, act as rooters for us. During the game, the Hamilton team is hissed and hooted by the Union men (:), and just before the close they show their gentlemanliness by mobbing our faithful coach. The rooters come in for their share of the shabby treatment. Noon chapel very short. Three men appear. “Little Shep” stops on his way from the stage and picks up his rubbers,

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which in some mysterious way got on the stage. Dr. Nichols thanks Holbrook and requests that his subscription to the "Life" be stopped. Freak gets a shave. Smith, '02, takes a bath. Good work, do it again. Dr. Andrews, Dunn, Harwood, Holbrook and Robinson go to Utica. Train 27 minutes late. Smith gets a hair cut. Prof. Moore, of Cornell, arrives in town.

Nov. 12. Every one cusses Union and their gang. Jimmy Catlin walks to Crow Hill and back. Just a short stroll, you know. Hank Miller tries to commit suicide in a pond in Squares' garden, but is rescued by Moody and another. G. T. comes back to earth after a voyage of human discovery. Freshmen bohn all day for Latin exam. Sheppard, Hicok, Ek. Van Allen, Lake and Keogh got home from the game a day late. Be careful, boys. Deke says, "I am naught but a poor little singing girl who wanders to and fro." Stowell, Holbrook, Smith and Peet drive to Utica.

Nov. 13. Foot-ball team runs about three miles cross country, lines up with scrub, runs signals, and then sprints a half mile. The practice shows good work. The scrub are doing well, and deserve a great deal of credit. Sheppard comes on the field to watch the practice, walking with a cane. Nelse Drummond is prevented from lining up by a cut in the chin. God Almighty Albright attempts to teach Square algebra, and takes French leave (at Square's request). Busch's work is a "damnable absurdity." Bobbie Root again visits chapel, accompanied by his canine friend. Wandering Alphonso, whom many take for a Union student come to apologize. Dr. Stryker expresses the feeling of the college concerning Union. Bib manfully endorses Prex's remarks, and suggests that some student voice our grievances through "Harper's Weekly." It is inspiring to see our entire faculty a unit in their indignation at the violence and outrage at Union. Waddell, Macnaughton, Moore and Marvin play a new game of foot-ball against Miller, Graham, Holbrook and Thompson, score 6-1. Attendance 500. Some one attempts to freeze out the Economic History decision. If they had —!! Freshmen cut to bohn Latin. Ziegler's godlike form is missing at gym. H. J. Cookinham, Sr., of Utica, attends Parliamentary Law.

Every one bohns for American History review. Landers wishes to know if the college consitution prohibits freshmen from wearing class cape. Spen goes to Colgate. Higgins takes Pretty for a ride up the hill.

Nov. 14. Bart talks of inviting up a party of friends (females) from Utica to sit up with him, and see the starry showers. Many stay up to see the meteors. Pretty says that he will keep the economic history division until one o'clock, and the college bulletin board can notice if they wish. There seems to be an epidemic of foot-ball. Somebody is playing in front of the gym all the time. Varsity and scrub line-up for a practice game, and Sweetland tells the 'varsity to save their debating ability for other occasions. The picture of Jonas Metoxen's long run still remains on the black board in the Soper room. Score to-day in the Hicok-Hatch cribbage tournament is 17-5 in favor of Hicok. Freshmen final exam. in De Senectute in examination hall after morning chapel. Holbrook has enlisted a corps called the "shorty volunteers." By means of this company "Shorty" is insured safety on the campus. Bill Nye dismisses juniors in history after calling roll. Several fellows who cut because unprepared a few hours, more or less, in their rooms kicking themselves. Catlin remarks that this is a model recitation.

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A Visit.

On November 13, Lieutenant Commander Robert Gracey Denig of the U. S. Battleship "Chicago" visited the hill. He was detailed as Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mathematics at Hamilton College by the Secretary of the Navy from 1883 to 1885 inclusive. It was under his supervision that the old property line was surveyed, designated by the monument on freshman hill. Of the faculty of his time he only found Professors North, Root and Brandt. Dr. Hudson was then Secretary of the Board of Trustees. In the college cemetery is the grave of his little daughter Dorothy, who died here. Unfortunately, Mrs. Denig did not come with him. He was accompanied by his daughter Grazia and his son Robert, who was born in the house of Prof. D.

D. Smyth. Robert attends St. John's Military Academy at Manlius.

Lieutenant Commander Denig is of small stature, like Generals Wheeler and Funston, but, as has been said of them, every inch of him sinew and pluck, and as his colleagues and students know, a man with a big heart. To his story of the wreck of the Huron off Cape Hatteras in which he was "magna pars," he can add his experiences on the "Niagara" and "Topeka," to which he was attached during the Spanish-American war. He told of the ignominious job of how the "Niagara" had to tow the disabled Monitor "Montgomery," when Cervera and his fleet had been located at Cinacao, and sailed to parts unknown. But the Spaniards could not have hurt the Monitor, and we should have cut the cable and skipped. The bombardment of San Juan was first-class practice. The "Topeka" had three men killed in the "scrap" in Ninpe Bay, a remarkable thing in naval fights.

Lieutenant Denig wore a scarf-pin of rough gold, in the centre of which was a crude ruby brought from the Kimberley mines. The gold was a part of a lump sent him by Wager Bradford, '85, through the kindness of a colleague who had leave of absence enough to go from Kimberley to Johannesburg. Mr. Bradford, manager of a gold mine at Johannesburg said, "I once beat the Lieutenant in a horse deal, and I wish you would give him this to make it even." The "Chicago" will sail for the Cape next week, Admiral Schley commanding.

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Notice.

The Colgate game comes to-day, and the college should be there "en masse." The game is similar in one respect to a Methodist revival, for all are invited. Let your bohning go and just yell yourself deaf and dumb. If a man is not able to stand by the team with big subscriptions, he can surely lend his voice. It costs nothing. You won't loose in the end, for you will get your voice again Sunday morning.

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The work on the Hall of Philosophy has been discontinued. It will begin again as soon as snow and sleighing come. Stone can be drawn up the hill cheaper on sleighs than on wagons.

The Man of Affairs,

On Wednesday night there was a good show, for Clinton, at the Scollard Opera House. It was well attended by the students, who expected to have some fun, until they were jumped on by Billy Morrill. After this, peace and quiet reigned supreme, save for the whistling and cat calls that came from the back of the room.

The show had, strange as it may seem, new songs. They were good ones at that. None of the songs that are so old that they seem new but real, brand, new, only a year old, popular songs. The troupe should be complimented greatly on this one point. In fact it is the only one on which they can be complimented.

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Dog Nuisance.

Four kinds of dogs on the campus—faculty's dogs—student dogs—workmen's dogs—stray dogs—all more or less astray.

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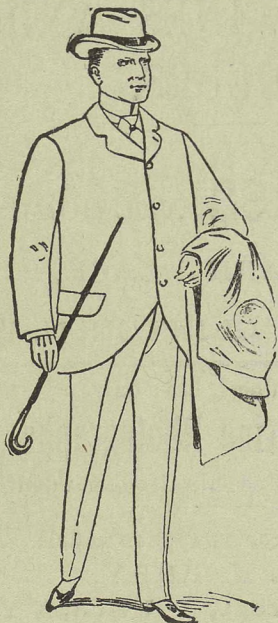
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The Cutting System.

If there is anything in this college that needs reform, it is certainly that vague, mysterious collection of rules known as the "system of allowed absences." The unknown principles that guide the faculty in all actions taken on this point are positively unjust. Of course, the common belief is that on the subject of "cuts" all students have some kick coming, no matter how liberal the system under which they live may be, and any grumbling on the part of the student body is disregarded. But we claim that our objections to this iniquitous cut system of ours are valid. In the first place, any man who is so seriously injured or ill as to be under physician's orders to remain in bed or indoors should be excused absolutely. As things are now, students thus unfortunate have to apply on any such absence their regularly allowed cuts; and in case the absence exceeds their supply of cuts, they receive zeros for all exercises overcut, and have to submit to the deprivation of their allowed absences for the succeeding term, or longer. This seems to be the general rule. But the departures from it, from reasons of favoritism, partiality, neglect or omission, are so erratic that for practically the same "offence" men often receive widely different penalties. There are several men in college now under the most grievously unjust restrictions, all because they were so unfortunate as to be obliged to stay out of college by reason of illness, and hence became the objects of discipline. Men having received injuries in such a patriotic cause as foot-ball, even, and having been compelled to overcut are to be "disciplined" for their hard luck, and will have to attend recitations for the rest of their college year. The assured principle of the present "cuts" is that these are to be applied on any periods of absence, enforced absence, of course, such as illness; but this, if applied in some cases, would work out absurdly, and at best is far from satisfactory. Whatever provisions may be settled on regarding other points, it is certainly only just and fair to grant absolute excuses for actual illness or injury. This will be our position. We have the sentiment of the student body behind us. And if the faculty do not take some steps to remedy this iniquity, the growing lack of sympathy between faculty and students will assert itself more plainly and openly.