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## Houghton commencement

Houghton has stood by Hamilton well and many times during the last year. She has been on the field when few students have been there; she has rooted for us right lustily; and therefore, because she has stood by us and because many of us are interested there, for instance Fritzie, Elsty, Tommy, etc. we think that her commencement should be written up for the benefit of those unfortunates who owing to extra work were not permitted to enjoy the privilege of attending.

The first event of the week was the baccalaureate address given in the Stone church on Suncay night. Durn, Milham, Marvin and MacLaughlin were the honored ones, being ushers. Theirs was the homor of escorting the several classes to the places of honor in the body of the church. The Rev. Mr. Taylor of Clinton gave the address, being assisted in the service by Prof. A. C. Benedict and the Rev Mr. Hallock, pastor of the church. The attendance was fair, many of the students going for reasons best known to themselves. In the left gallery two familiar faces were seen flirting with everybody in sight, especially some young kids that came in durins the address. Shorty and Tommy, you should know better. That is not the way to behave in church. It may go in the college chapel but it doesn't go in the Stone church. Hummy played the organ while Millham and Stowell lent their melodious voices to aid the choir in the singing of the hymns.

Harper and Hummy accompanied D. Hawley when he sang his solo, which was executed in his usual fine style. Miss Rosa of the Seminary also rendered a very good song. Her voice, though not large enough to fill all the corners of the church, was very sweet indeed. After the service was over miany wended their ray Houghtonward, where they enjoyed a good sing on the steps of the Seminary. Monday evening the young ladies presented two short plays.

Miss Reed and Miss Alice Cunningham were in the first one which was the curtain raiser and executed their parts very well indeed. The stage settings, etc., were excellent, and everyone enjoyed the performance thorough$1 y$.

The second play was the longer of the two and contained four actresses. Miss Stewart as Lady Macbeth, Miss Day as Portia, Miss Laing as Ophelia, Miss Rosa as Juliet. The costumes of the play were stunning indeed, but that of Lady Macbeth easily excelled all others.

Every one took her part in fine style and made the entire performance a grand success.

Cn Tuesday afternoon came the alumnae meeting, after which were the class day exercises. These were as follows:

Rev. Mr. Sill opened the exercises with a prayer. Miss Pauline Benedict greeted those present and called for the sophomore response, which was given by Miss Green. The junior prophecy was the next and was given very ably and well by Miss King. Miss Rosa then rose on the invitation of Miss Pauline Benedict and gave the advice of the seniors to the juniors, and it was auivice well-worth following. Miss Foster responded for the class of '94 in a way that attracted and pleased every one present. Next followed the response from Hamilton given by Mr . I. W. Henderson 1900. Mr. Henderson sloke as follows. The speech was taken by our stenographer:
'Not long ago as I sat in peaceful contemplation of the beauties of nature uron yonder hillside there came to me an anonymous missive from one who signed herself the secretary of the class of 1900, requesting that on June the 12 th I should address the assembled multitude at Houghton. Naturally I was startled. In all my long and varied experience as a public speaker I had not ventured yet to thrust my talents upon the unsuspecting and suspicious public from other than the safe vantage ground of the college chapel rostrum. But what was I to do? One can not put aside without due consideration an invitation which is held to be an honor. Were I a Geo. Wm. Curtis or a Mark Twain the matter would have worn a different aspect. But I ani neither. You will testify to that. So after some deliberation my acceptance was officially sealed, stamped, and sent; and here I am.

If any of you-especially the gentlerukn present-ever has attempted to address a young Ladies Seminary, you will agree with me that the position is
refined in its difficulty. What was I to say? Several times I was upon the point of resigning my comission and of leaving it to a better tongue.

You have all read in that realistic little volume 'The Idle Thoughts of an Idle Fellow,' where the hero relates his experience in writing a letter to his aunt. You remember what an especially happy time he had, how he wrote and rewrote, tore up and retore up. My experience in preparing my response was somewhat, yes strikingly similar, both in the paucity of thought and lack of humor.

But to come down to brass tacks and be serious, it was with much and unfeigned pleasure that I stand before you this afternoon. Upon me has devolved the honor of extending to the class of 1900 of Houghton the right hand of good fellowship for the college and especially for 1900 . It is with feelings much akin that we look back together upon the four years that have past. Years filled with happiness and joy, fraught with unmeasurabie opportunities and possibilities, many of which we seized and made the most of. For many vears the interests of the Seminary and the college on the hill have been one. Hither the freshmen end the seniors of the classes long gone into the world's busy strife turned in their college days to find healthful influences and hopeful pleasures and may hap a wife. And they tell me that there is no inconsiderable number of Hamilton men who have found in the friends of college days the helpmates and counselors of maturer years. It is peculiarly fitting that the college should extend greetings to the seminary. Right royally have we been entertained within these walls. Nobly have you ali supported the college interests; and I wish to say now that no matter what the seeming feeling may be, the college appreciates to the fullest the sympathy and the aid of the seminary. And now friends, I must close. In the name of the class of 1900 I wish to extend to you a most cordial invitation to be prescat at the exercises on the hill during the festive week near at hand.

To the undergraduates, I would express the siucere thanks of the college for their kindness and patriotism during the past years, and to you of the (Continued to page 6).

- Athletic 厄epartment.
R. S. C. DRUMMOND, - - - Editor
E. J. Ward, - - - - Reporter
'Tuesday's Tennis.
The tournament will continue during the remainder of the week despite the fact, lately ascertained, that Colgate has forfeited the inter-collegiate tournament which had been contemplated, and toward which the entire student body had looked forward. The fact that Colgate has withdrawn need not necessarisy dampen the ardor and zest which have thus far been manifested throughout the course of the tournament. The competition now is wholly a collegiate one, and therefore should not be allowed to reflect in any way or manner on our unblemished athletic reputation.

On Tuesdiay, the topic of all absorbing interest was the continuance of the tennis tournament. The confluence of spectators, though not of such a number as that of the previous day, was wholly made up of the men in college whose interest in the game was of the kind that does not wane. During the course of the forenoon several of the single sets had been played off, and the programme for the afternoon consisted of the remaining singles of the preliminary round, several of the singles of the first bout, and the preliminary doubles. The playing started with $R$. G.Kelsey,' 98 , the referee of the previous day still acting in the same capacity, be it said to his credit. Dunn and DeVotie had battled, for a victory, which fell to Dunn without any strenuous exertion on his part.

Hunter and Signor were the first to compete in the regular games of the afternoon. Hunter easily worsted his opponent, in short ordier.

Stiowell and Dunn then went in to take their places, and after some loose playing and a bit of horse play, Dunn succumbed to Estey's superiority. The sets between Hicok and Owens were next in sequence. "Easy" had an enemy worthy of his steel, and the play was fierce, with many a pretty rally, but Owens conquered in the end. With the last two competitors mentioned, the contest in the singles closed. The doubles were declared on.

At this stage of the game Catlin and T. Mclallghlin were matched against "Ehorty" and Marvin. The conflict raged in doubt until Shorty's innate torpor and love of fun got the better of him, and the set went to the side of "Jim" and "Tommy."

The noxt set, played between Hull
and Tate on the one side, and Naylor and Lambert on the other, was an example of wnat a rallying and a rising to the emergency can effect. With three games scored against them at the start Henry and his compatriot braced up and snatched victory from defeat.

Huff and Signor versus Henry and Sippel next entered the arena. The game was marred by a few inappropriate remarks dropped by the cigarette fiend, wgnor, and a superfluity of home runs made by "Hy.". After a stubborn fight Huff and Signor won out.

The contest of the afterncon which awakened the most interest in the audience was that played off between Millham and Stryker and their opponents Skinner and Hunter. Here also there was considerable verbal play, but this only quickened the senses of both spectators and competitors. The sides were evenly matchd, and the fight was well worth viewing. "Goss" and "Jesse" despite their heroic efforts to win out, were ultimately overcome, and the games for the day were at an end.

While all these stirring events had been taking place on the college courts, Peet and Root had been contending for the supremacy with "Rick" and "Hank" Keogh at the court of Elihu, Jr. The result of this match was the by no means ignomirisus defeat of "Rick" and "Hank."

The Tennis Tournament.
Ever since the close of the base ball season there has been considerable talk concerning the holding of a tennis tcurnament, and all those in college who were interested in the promotion of the project have since been busily ellgaged in furthering the scheme. Affairs progressed and at last we were informed that the tournament was to take place, and that the date of the contest was decided upon. Everyone has been looking forvard to the tournament with interest and the enthusiasm of the few has bordered on expectant 2nticipation. Those aspiring for honors handed in their names and the list of entries was speedily filled out.

Monday afternoon, the time scheduled for the preliminary round, except for the stiff breeze which swept the courts, was all that could be desired; the courts with their newly marked lines ard their well rolled surfaces presented quite a business like appearance. R. G. Kelsey, '98, was' chosen as official referee, and different men acted in the same capacity at the second court. As soon as all preliminary arrangements had been made, the signal for the com-
mencement of the tournament was
given. "Shorty" Holbrook and Estey Stowell were privilezed to give the initial exhibition. Shorty, in his comments and soliloquies, was a surprising success, but as far as ability to win was concerned, he was to many somewhat of a disappointment. Estey was expected to carry off the palm and: dic so, not without difficulty however. The sets played between Catlin and Tate were spirited and stubbornly fought but Jimmie's experience and lack of nervousness won out. Peet and Humeston played their sets more for mutual amusement than for the result, Peet winning easiiy.

Harwood was the suiprise of the afternocn. Although professedly a bad pląyer and acknowíedged to be so by those who know him best, he pressed Marvin hard and finally snowed him under.

Hunter entered the arena with the evident inceniion of defeating Skinner, and despite the efforts of the latter to defeat his purpose attained his desired end.

The sets contested by Stryker and Hoff furnished more excitement and delectation for the spectators than any played before or after. Of the first two sets one went to each, but the result of the last one was in doubt up to the very last stroke of the racket. The score by points and games was repeatedly tied and as often broken, but fortune and composure turned the tide in Stryker's favor and he won.

All eyes were now turned upon the two Macs. Aside from the sets played detween Stryker and Hoff, the chief interest centered in this event. The two brothers afforded the small but spirited audience considerable delight by the clever manner in which they propelled the sphere from one side of the net to "the other. "Tommy," through embarrassment or indisposition was not up to his usual form and consequently met defeat at the hostile hands of his loving brother.

Baker and "Henry" Hull had been too eager to try each other's mettle to wait for the players who were then in pcssession, and therefor journeyed to Foot's court, there to try conclusions. From "Henry's" report, those who heard judged that "Bake" had overwhelmed him; and so he had.

Minor and Signor fought their battle after all the spectators had departed to satisfy the "eldest of the passions," and we have only the result to submit, which was in Signor's favor.

Hicok defeated Harper in a slow but steady game.
"Rick" was bested by Elihu, Jr., and Jesse won from Church.

Several of the competitors diu not put in an appearance and consequently Dunn, Keough and Childs won by default from DeVotie, Jones and Owens respectively. In the case of DeVotie it is firmly believed that he was induced by Dunn through some consideration, pecuniary or otherwise, to absent himself, yet this is not positively known.

Considered from every point of view the contest held on Monday afternoon was a success and augurs well for the proposed tournament to be fiought between Hamilton and Colgate. Although the assemblage of spectators was not so enormous as it might have been, yet the number was sufficiently large to prove that more of the college men than mercly the competitors took a passing if not a spirited interest $n$ this new branch of our athletics.
The following is a summary 01 the tournament: PRELIMINARY ROUND.
Competitors. Score by Sets. Winner. Holbrook, 00 )
Stowell, 01 6-3, 7-5; Stowell, 01. Stowell, 01
Catlin, 01
Tate, 03
Church, 02
Villham, 01 )
Harwood, 02 Marvin, 01 7-5, 8-6; Catlin, 01. 6-3, 6-1,; Millham, 01. 2-6, 6-3, 61; Harwood,02 W. McLaughlin, 01 ,6-1, 7-5 ; W. McL., 01 T McLaughlin, 03$\} 6-1,7-5$; W. McL., 01 $\begin{aligned} & \text { Stryker, } \\ & \text { Hoff, } 03\end{aligned}$
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We published in our last week's issue a culiticism of Prof. Dudley's action toward certain members of the sophomore class. Since then we have seen that we did not undlerstand all the conditions and circumstances, and that we were somewhat unjust in our remarks. Accordingly, we take this opportunity to acknowledge to the professor and to the college that we were wriong. While we are under no hesitation to criticize anything that seems to us unfair andl deserving of correction, nevertheless, it is farthest from our wish and purpose to be unjust in cur turn, and to wrong, wittingly, anyone. We are very glad, that this matter, and the entire truth thereof, was called to our attention, and most willingly do we acknowledge our mistake.

It seems hard to realize that less than two short weeks intervene before the commencement day of the class of 1900 shall have passed into history.

To the junior class especially, it is always a significant and solemn time when the class above them, with whom they have been associated for three years of college intimacy, and in whose places they are to stand one year hence, takes its leave from the halls and hillside of our Alma Mater. But while the week is solemn, it is yet full of joys and pleasures. We advise all the freshmen, with whom it is a possibility, to stay over commencement week, and to defer for a few days the welcome home-coming that they are looking forward to. You will find it worth while. The worth and dignity of the graduate kody will be here as boys once more. You will see friends greeting friends, old-times lived over again, olảl memories revived, and everything aglow with the spirit of college devotion and the tie that binds. Mothers and sweicthearts, and sisters and cousins, and all the fair array will grace our classic halls and illumine our glorious campus. All these things $W_{1+1}$ be a source of interest, pleasure and profit to you. But when the farewells are said; when you see men whom you have been accustomed to look upon as "grave and reverend seniors," standling around their class monument, and singing the sad strains of the old song with tears running down their faces, as the recognition of that moment's meaning comes over them in all its force; then you will think, and think harder and deeper than you ever have before, and you will go home to your loved ones a better ana a nobler man.
"Life" advocates the continuance of the worthy precedent eistablished this spring by the enterprising sophomore class in painting the usual sign board with the historic and traditional color. The diay of the old, salt and flour row is past. This weather is altogether too hot for men to be plastered over with a sticky paste, and the appearance of the chapel steps and the adjacent campus is likely to be unsightly for some time succeeding the combat. The new custom fills satisfactorily the place of the honored, but now deservedly defunct, "distribution of provisions," and it deserves to be established and continued flarever. We commend heartily the sophomores, and assign to them the
credit of inaugurating a mighty good inter-class stunt.

The tennis tournament seems to have been decidediy successful. The men in charge have done a good job, and deserve a large amount of credit for their personal work in carrying the idea though. The contests have aroused a gratifying amount of interest, more so, even, than some of our base ball games; and it's a good thing. The tennis department will soon be raised from its present humble position to the dignity of an officially recognized branch of our athletics. We can capture honors in tennis just as well as we can in foot ball, and everything helps.

## The Foot Ball Prospects.

Now that the end of the year is approaching, all too swiftly, and that almost before we know it the foot ball fison of 1900 in Hamilton College shall have begun, there are being suggeisted continually the possibilicies of next year's team, and the outlook for the seasion.

Speh, the efficient assistant manager of last year, may be relied upon to attend, properly to the business endl of things; and if the present schedule arranged by him affords any indication as to his conduct of the foot ball branch of our athletics, we may rest assured that the department is in exactly the right hands. Under the new faculty rule, at least half the games must be played on the Hamilton College campus. While this regulation may embarrass the manager sometimes, we believe, however, that it is fair, and just and sensible; just to the college, who pay their good money to support the team; good policy from a business standpoint, since we understand that the purpose of the rule is, partly, to discriminate against Utica games, and we have found that Utica games don't pay any more than those on our own campus; and sensible, in that, carried to excess, trips are not a good thing for the team. The players should be allowed to rest, to be spared the inevitable iatigue and discomfort of a long trip; and the proporticn of the games enacted to be played on we hill stiems to us just about right. Those games, then, scheduled for the campus, aside from those cancelleid, are with St. Lawrence University, Clarkson Institute of Technology, of Potsdam, Colgate and Trinity. The but-of-town games are six: Williams, West Point, Rutgers, New York University, Vermont university, Rochester University. To play these, five trips have been planned, one trip including Rutgers and New York University. The West Point and Williams games will probably be played in Albany. The season ends with the Rochester game in Rochester on Thanksgiving Day. We venture to say that no
better schedule could possibly be wished wy any lover of Hamilton College and its foot ball team. The Brown game would, have been a good thing for us in many ways, but the present schedule is good enough. Hamilton is at last playing with people in whose elass she considers herself to be. Now ii. only remains for us by our prowess on the field and in our conduct and relations with these colleges at all times to cultivate a desire on their part to retain us among their number. If we can make a good and satisfactory showing against these teams, our foot ball future is secure, and it behooves us all to recognize the critical nature of the coming season, and to do our best, one and all, to aid the team to victory. Every indication is toward success. Manager, captain, coach, material, schedule, are all that could be asked. We must do well, and we will.

As for the team, we should have the best set of men that ever went forth to battle for old Hamilton. Only two of the old players leave, Mason and Sheppard. The team will be practically a vetoran team, with Stowell, Millham, Dunn, R. Drummond and Reimond, who have played for three years together; Warren Mac, Ward, Gilbert and N. Drumnond, who have played for two years; and Tommy Mac and Dave Peet, who shone so brilliantly last fall; besides the substitutes, ail good men, of last year, and-from all reports-ine promising material from the class of 1904. Competition will doubtless be close. Indeed, we can see but two or three men who are absolutely sure of their positions. With twenty-seven enthusiastic candidates out for spring practice, the prospect is certainly encouraging, fior both an efficient and regular scrub, and keen competition for the varsity positions, a thing much needed, and much to be desired.

The college has never had such a favorable prospect. The influence of Sweetland, which did so much for the team last fall, will begin to show itself in greater force this year. The new coach, Mr. Rymer, captain of last year's Wesleyan team, aside from being a foot ball player of distinction, has had practical experience in coaching, is in thorough sympathy with Captain Stowell and his methods, and may be depended upon to carry out all of Sweetland's ideas. Captain Stowell himself has the universal and hearty support of the college in all that he may do. His admirable conduct of the team last year has earned nothing but praise from all who are acquainted with Hamilton's past record, and has made it possible for him to start in next fall with the knowledge that he holds the entire confidence of every one.

At present, nothing presents itself as likely to offer the slightest interference to the most satisfactory and successful season Hamilton has ever had. Hap-
pily, there is never a question as to Hamilton Ciub. The alumni of other student support of this branch of our colleges successfully maintain such an athletics, and though the season may organization in New York city and be expensive, we have no fear of a dis- why not Hamilton? However, let the heartening deficit. Let us all make main purpose of those meetings be ready to give the first cheers for the simply a good time with the good old foot ball team of 1900 .

## A Hamilton club.

The younger alumni now residing in to period, can be found in the following perfect some organization which will incomplete list of the younger alumni selve the two-fold purpose of pleasure now residing in New York and Brookto themserves and profit to their alma lyn
mater. There are in the city now a C. R. La Rue '93, Oren Root, jr. '94, gcod number of those who were in col- J. A. Minor '94, Theodore T. Collier '94, lege together. If they should meet in O. E. Terry '95, S. G. Palmer '95 J. W. occasional reunions to renew the old Carmolt '95, J. B. Seymour '95, Isaac friendships and cement the old bonds J. Greenwocid'95, E. McNally '96, C. A. there could doubtless be a resulting JBabtist '96, C. A. Greene '96, F. W. gain to the college by reason of the Holmés '96, A. D. Scovil '96, C. J. Baenthusiasm which those meetings would ker '97, Beardsley '97,S. K. Pierly '98, engender. The younger alumnus, R. G. Kelsey '98, B. W. Babcock '98, struggling to gain a foothold, in a pro- E. R. Wright '98, G. W. Daly ex-'98, fession or business, is not in a position Warren i. Lee '99. Fred H. Cunningto relieve the monetary needs of the ham '99, T. C. Cheney '99, S. A. Miller college; but he can, provided his loyal- '99 and W. C. Pierson ex-'99.
ty does not lapse, send on occasionally Those of the above alumni into whose a desirable freshman and so aid the hands this issue of "Life" shall come college until his increased prosperity are requested to communicate any ideas will justify his adding buildings to the they may have on the subject to $R$. G. campus and chairs to the faculty. Be- Kelsey, 296 Madison avenue, New York siches inspired, aid to the college it is city, who has been requested by those noped that these meetings will serve interested to take temporary charge of to interest the older alumni of New any arrangements which it may be necYork city in the formation there of a

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## LOCALS.

Friday: Dr. Stryker announces Spencer and Lee as valedictorian and salutatorian respectively. The following neen were elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity: Spencer, Lee, MacHarg,Hig gins Sheppard, Eggleston, Clark Scavel '03 gives an informal reception at the home of his sister, Mrs. Allen.
Saturday: Quite a number of fellows go to Summit Park. Robinson comes on the midnight
Sunday: The vacated senior seats give the chapel a lonesome appearance. Some of the seniors occupy the gallery, perhaps because of the few Houghton representatives
Monday: Tennis tournament opens w.h a goodly number of entries. The chief interest is of course centered in the two MacLaughlin brothers. Drawing of rooms takes place, as was announced The exam. schedule appears in the library. Schritz announces exam. in "Dutch" Friday for the freshmen Carmichael sets up.

Tuesday: Albright says Bacchus is inventor of the lyre. "Kitty" Keith goes to Houghton. Prof. Ward gives three days of reviews to freshmen

## A Retrospect.

The four years of nineteen's hundred's life have been four years of improvement and advancement in the life of the college. From the old east rectangle the campus has been enlarged by the erection of three new buildings completing the west rectangle. Instead of the crowded, noisy little recitation rooms of the north and the cold, comfortless ones of south we have the Hall of Languages with its airy, cheerful rooms From the math. rooms in the gym. with their usual pandemonium overhead we have moved to the Hall of Science with its modlern equipment and apparatus. With us recitations in south will cease. Future classes, comfortably housed in the Hall of Philosophy, will little dream of the agonies suiffered by the last class of the past century on those frigid winter mornings. Upon our arrival here we were rushed from the dingy old chapel with its artistically carved seats and ragged matting, from which rose smothering clouds of dust upon appropriate occasions such as noon retoricals. To-day Hamilton's chapel is the pride of every man and may be favorably compared with any in the country. Our gymnasium, with its recent improvements, is a thing of which to be proud, and a thing to be used and not abused. Nineteen hundred's sophomore year
witnessed the first spasmotic efforts to establish a commons in the form of "Prexy's hash house" with its ever-tor be-remembered knee-deep muá, inky darkness, and lack of substantial recompense for such violent exertions. When we return as prosperous (?) young alumni we shall be welcomed to the commons, the beginning of whose foundation we have witnessed. Of all these things we are justly proud and for them we extend our thanks to our alumni and friends.

But there is something beside the outwara visible change in college affairs, something which effects the fellows deeper as real college men. Nineteen hundred can see a difierence in the relations of the "crowds" to each ather during the past four years. That rabid fraternity and non-fraternal feeling is dying out. The fellows are becoming broader. Good fellowship pervacles. A man has more real friends. College matters are discussed in larger circles and from larger points of view These things all tend to make better college spirit and truer collge men.
During the past four years there has baen a change in class relations. Owing to rigorous rules the good old custom of protection has been done away with or practically so. Now the fresh man struts the campus, Lord or̃ ail he surveys, and condescends to speair to upperciassmen-perhaps. This ought not so to be. Not because of any particular superiority of upperclassmen but because every freshman, without exception, needs just such a training as protection gives and which he gets no where else. F'reshmen come either from home, cut loase for the first time, or from "prep" schools, where they have had their "say" as to the management of affairs. They arrive with their opinions as to how things ought to be conducted and how they will reform them. If they are immediately made to feel their littleness and comparative insignificance scarcely any time will elapse before they realize their position and become typical Hamilton freshmen. We want no university freshmen. Protection is as good as dead; but can not some one's fertile brain originate scme new scheme to take its place, accomplishing the desired end, and omitting the obnoxious features?

During our four years there has been a marked growth in the interest taken in oratory. From the noon chapels enjoyed as hours of boisterbus amusement they have become times when everyone does his best because he has some inspiration to do so. This promises well for the future of our renowned department.

And so we leave the dear old college with the feeling that we have witnessed great strides in the making of its history and with the hope that the next four years will see the realization of the plans for the continuation of expansion.

## Houghton Commencement.

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cjass of 1900 , I wish to extend the best wishes of the college and my class for a life of nappiness and peace. May ncthing come to jar the harmony of your lives. May you reap your full share of the golden sheaves which the field of fortune will raise up for you. May you have the cup of human joy running over. This is the wish of your friend and friends. I thank you.'

After the response from Mr. Henderson, came the last will and testament of the class of 1900 ; or, in the parlance of the hill, the presentation committee had full sway. Miss Day was evidently chairman of this committee, for it was she who read forth the names of those inaividuals who were the honored ones. Most of them came gracefully forward and received what uas coming to them; but some, for instance, the rubber club, were not so anxious to receive their presents. Of course only those who are very intimate with Houghton will understand all the little hits that were intended and were made. If you ask Dick, and Curry, and Churchill, they will delight in explaining them to you; but for your edification we print the names of the fair ones that received gifts from the hands of Miss Day and her aids. Miss Laing was the first one honored. She received an astronomy and rules of Houghton. (Tommy knows why). Miss Patterson, a tin watch; Miss Reed, a paper elevator with a candy elevator boy. Dunny is the man that can explain the in's and out of this new invention. The Misses Cunningham an epitome of the Hamiltonians from 1890 to 1910. The Misses Cunningham and Green rcceived a pitcher and a sponge. (Slimer Harper can explain this also); Miss Cauldwell, a book of hymns; Miss Tabor a nigger doll and a bunch of excuses; Miss Emma Tabor Day, a prep. school catologue; for the simple reason that she insisted that Houghton was a prep. school. Of course every one knows better. The members of the rubber club received little rubber boots, to aid them in rubbering in the future. To
the faculty was presented the best wishes of the class of 1900
The farewell of 1900 was given by Miss Atwater. This ended class day
Tuesday evening many of the fellows had the pleasure of listening to the following musical programme:

PROGRAMME

1. Fight-hand Piece.

Finale from Suite Op. 39.... Dvorak 1st piano, Miss Talbot, Miss Laing. 2nd piano, Mịs Day, Miss Green.
2. Song-"Absence," ...... ..... Metcalf Miss Tabor.
8. Piano Solo-Aquarelle

Miss Green.
4. Song-"Thy Daily Question, Meyer-Hermund
Miss Day.
5 Duct-"Au Village," ........Godard
Miss Day, Miss Green.
6. Song-"4 Song of Dawn,". .Allitsen Miss Rosa.
7. Piano Solo-Kamennoi-Ostrow,

Rubenstein
Miss Talbot.
8. Song-"Summer,".
.Chaminado
Miss Day.
9. Duet-"Invitation a la Valse,

Weber
Miss Talbot, Miss Laing. 10. Song-"My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice,"
. Saint-Saens
(From Samson and Delilah.) Miss Rosa.
11. Duo Danse Macabre,..Saint-Saens

1st piano, Miss Smitn,
2nd piano, Miss Talbot.
Everyone was good, especially Miss Day, Miss Laing and Miss Talbot.
The last piece, rendered by Miss Talbot and Miss Smith, was very fine inceed and every one enjoyed it immensely. It showed great ability

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