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## Hamilton 31, Potsdam 21.

The basket-ball game with Potsdam Normal last Saturday afternoon was fast and interesting from the first whistle of the referee.

The team appeared in new suits which are similar to the old ones. They are a gift to the management from Captain Sherman. His kindness enables the team to present a much better appearance than would otherwise be the case, inasmuch as the old suits date back a couple of years.
There was a decided improvement over the Colgate game in team work.

The passing was better and faster, but at critical points there was not always a sure eye for the basket. On the whole, however, it is not exaggerating to say that with some more practice similar to that of the past two weeks we will have one of the best teams that has ever represented the College in basket-ball.
Much more hard work and training is necessary, but we have the material and are sure to have the team.
Hamilton 31.
Potsdam 2 I .
Sicard.

> Left Forward.

Kuolt.
Right Forward.
Center.
P. Kelly.

Right Guard.
Bramley.

## Left Guard.

Sherman, (Capt.)
Matthews.
Goals from field-Sicard 5, Sherman 5, Bramley 2, Kuolt 2, White 4, Eastman 3, Cavanaugh I, Abbott I. Goals from fouls-Sherman 3, Abbott 3. Referee, S. Sherman, Hamilton, '04. Umpire-C. V. O'Malley, Potsdam. Timekeepers-Nellis, Hamilton; Warner, Potsdam. Time of halves 20 minutes.

The universities of Oxford and Cambridge have accepted the challenge of the American Universities-Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia-for an international cable chess match, to be played April I4 and 15.

## Football.

With three of the inter collegiate football games to be played out of town, a vote to drop the Hobart game, and a faculty recommendation to play Williams only on our own campus, the outlook for our next season on the gridiron was indeed dubious last fall. Now, with the exception of one or two dates, the schedule is complete, and we are likely to have more home games than trips. The Colgate game of course will be played at Hamilton, to close the season. Rochester has not yet come to an agreement as to a date, but Union will proba. bly play again on our own campus. Four new games have been arranged, a practice game with Alfred to start off with, a trip to Wesleyan and Trinity, and Syracuse on our own field. This last is quite a concession for Syracuse. Usually she takes three trips, but next fall will play four off her campus: Yale, Columbia, West Point, and Hamilton. Two dates, October 7 th and 2 ist, are yet open, for which negotiations are going on with New York University, Middlebury and Rochester. Coach Turner is being considered by Ann Arbor, as an assistant, but there is still a possibility of his return. In case he cannot come, the management is in correspondence with Mr. J. T. Keady, Dartmouth, '05, captain of their baseball team, a guard, tackle and fullback on the tootball squad.

Following is the schedule as it probable will be:
Sept. 25-Alfred at Clinton.
30-Wesleyan at Middletown, Ct.
Oct. 14-Syracuse at Clinton.
28-Trinity at Clinton.
Nov. 4-Union at Clinton.
II-Colgate at Hamilton.
Jiu jitsu has been taken up quite extensively at the University of Pennsylvania and at Harvard and a course in this sport has been made compulsory at Annapolis.

## Syracuse Meets Defeat.

Athletic relations with Syracuse University were resumed on Monday evening in a way entirely satisfactory to Hamilton. The Syracuse team came down here expecting to win. They had defeated Yale, Cornell, and Dartmouth, and talked of beating us ioo to 10 . However, it was fated to be the lot of Hamilton to give them their first college defeat. The college attended almost to a man and they know how the trick was done. The game was called at eight o'clock and a minute after the Hamilton supporters came to their feet with a mighty cheer when "Bram" threw the first basket. From that time to the end of the game we were never headed. The game was fierce and rough, but it was the rough play which comes with a mighty desire of both teams to win. The Syracuse team are experts at basket throwing-if they get a chance. Therein lies the secret of our victory. We guarded the Syracuse men so close that their opportunities even to try for a basket were rare, while time and again the Hamilton men lost their men and had almost a clear field to score. In the first half particularly, we lost many an easy chance for a basket. This seemed to be due to over-anxiousness. The first half closed with the score twelve to eight in our favor.
Grim determination was written on the faces of both teams when they started in the second half. We soon made a basket. Then a couple of baskets and an award of two points to Syracuse tied the score. Seven minutes remained to play. "Tommy" made one point on a foul and almost before Syracuse was aware of it another basket was thrown and the game was won. Every man on the Hamilton team played a great game. Whether their opponents were in the air or on the floor they were right with them. Sherman threw one basket as he knelt on one knee. Kuolt's three baskets were all from a difficult
angle. Although Kelly was knocked out, he was a tower of strength at center. Sicard and "Bram" played as they never played before. The team may rest assured that the entire college will be on hand when we make a try at our friends from up the valley next Mon day night.

For the visitors, Powell played the best game. But every man on the Syracuse team was a good player, and they fought until the whistle was blown.

Hamilton Ig.
Syracuse 16.
Right Forward.
Kuolt.
Kirchgasser.
Left Forward.
Sicard.
Powell, (Capt.)
Center.

## P. Kelly,

## Right Guard.

Bramley.
Left Guard.

## T. Sherman, (Capt).

Hansknecht.
Dollard.
Baskets-Kuolt 3, Sicard I, Bramley 2, Sherman 2, Kirchgasser 2, Powell I, Hansknecht I; points awarded to Syracuse on fouls, 2 ; goals from fouls-T. Sherman 3, Powell 4.

## College "Frats." Defended.

The New York Sunday Tribune has lately been publishing a series of letters dealing with the benefits and deficiencies of the American college fraternities. The following is a letter upholding them:
To the Editor of the Tribune:
Sir:-The college fraternity tends to produce the symmetrically developed man. To excel in scholarship, to shine in society, to win laurels in athletics and to have repute for sterling manhood are goals constantly presented to view within the pale of the college brotherhood. With competing organizations in the field and a national convention from time to time at which reports of progress and standing are to be rendered, no incentive is lacking in every fraternity to stimulate all means that conduce to the ends stated.

In a social way the student entering a fraternity becomes partaker of many advantages. I. Deficiencies in manners, speech, dress, morals, power to work, and general conduct, are soon revealed and the tutortng and polishing process of mutual fellowship becomes operative. The fraternity has its past to live up to and present standing to maintain, both of which are dependent on the excellence of the individual mem-
ber. 2. This fellowship yields a harvest of happiness, performing the function of the home from which the student is separated. From time to time the members of a fraternity in a single class will banquet together, at other times the two upper or two lower classes will unite, and again the whole brotherhood will feast, thus filling the bunger of the heart with a sweet association that works lasting good. 3. The fraternity is the door to the best society in the college or university town. This means much at the social functions of the academic year. The fraternity member introduces his new fraternity brother to the social elect, while it is likely to be the fate of the neutral to stand on the edge of the charmed circle alone, unknowing and unknown. Whatever social functions a fraternity institutes itself are exclusive of neutrals. 4. Membership in a fraternity is not limited by the boundaries of a college town or the length of a college course, but is national in scope and lifelong in duration. To each member belongs the past of the united chapters, and wherever members meet, however previously separated by time and place, there are fellowship, hand grasping hand, and hearts beating in tune with fraternal love. Forty years hence the present graduate, returning to his Alma Mater, will be welcomed, housed and entertained by confreres still unborn. What a mighty reality!
Fraternity membership is a powerful intellectual stimulus. To lose members because of deficiency in work is a disgrace assiduously avoided by fraternities. Many have honor rolls on which honor men and prize winners are recorded, and the pride taken by each fraternity in such a record promotes studiousness to a marked degree. Chapter letters in the national publication also recount the achievements of the faithful, inviting others to similar attainments. The neutral has none of these incentives.

Without doubt, every fraternity stands for morality. Where the weak-willed and reckless refuse to be helped to a higher plane, expulsion results.

A valuable training is received from the internal structure of the fraternity. No single member holds one office long, thus giving all an opportunity to serve. Before a student graduates he is likely to have held every office in the chapter, which means an excellent course in parliamentary government and the practical management of a body of men.

Many fraternities hold literary exercises and the members receive valuable aid in speaking, composition and debate, all mannerisms and shortcomings receiving timely criticism couched in gentle phrase. The rendering of plays by chapters is productive of similar training. I believe I have made true the claim that the college fraternity tends to produce the symmetrically developed man.

## The Prom. Concert.

Thursday afternoon at three o'clock the musical clubs will give their annual Prom. concert in the chapel. The program will be as follows:

Winter Song,
I.

Glee Club.
"Stunts."
Medley-Selections from "Isle of Spice." Mandolin Club.
II.

That Little Peach,
Neidlinger. Glee Club.
Swing Song, Arr. by J. G. Clark, 'o7 Mandolin Club.
Love's Dilemma, Richardson A. H. Merrick, 'o5. III.

Violin Solo-Cavatina, Raff Prof. A. P. Saunders.
Violin Solo-Minuette. Mozart Prof. A. P. Saunders.
March from "Lenore". Symphony. J. G. Clark, 'о7.

## The Waterville Concert.

On Tuesday evening the musical clubs journeyed to Waterville and gave their third concert. The audience was much smaller than the one at Vernon, but made up for their small numbers by hearty applause after each number. The loss of H. J. Snyder, '08, who caught a severe cold on the Vernon trip, was much felt. His "stunts" in the other two concerts were as well received as any number on the program. W. T. Purdy, 'o6, was easily the star of the evening. He took part in every number on the program except Child's "stunts," and it was suggested that if one of the Freshmen had resigned in his favor as "scene shifter" in that number he would have had a clean sweep. His perfect rendering of the "Gypsy Love Song" was to many the most enjoyable number of the evening. The make-up of the clubs and the program were the same as in the Vernon concert.

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## PROF. SHEPARD'S LECTURES.

Prof. Shepard's lectures are ascending to a climax in fascination and charm. The last one on the Roland Legend and the Nibelungenlied Lied certainly equaled if not surpassed the one of the preceding week, in its power to sustain the interest of the audience.

Speaking of the audience brings us to the point of this editorial. The audience last week was disgracefully slim. One could not help feeling chagrined that his fellows were apparently lacking in appreciation of a brilliant lecture course, which is offered gratis to the college. From time to time the cry has been sounded, oh, if we had a popular lecture course! What a boon for the College a series of lectures would be!

Something outside the curriculum, which is entertaining, and at once stimulating and instructive.

But when such a course is put within the reach of the College, through the generosity of one of our gifted professors, one would expect an appreciative and hearty response upon the part of the College.

In ascribing reasons for the meagre attendance of students, we are forced to make such plausible excuses, as insufficient announcement each Wednesday of the lecture scheduled for that afternoon. Men are forgetful of appoint ments that are irregular, unless their memories are jogged a short time before.

Again, enthusiasm breeds enthusiasm. Those who attend and enjoyed, might render a friendly turn by "talking it up". Some objection might be raised as to the hour set for the lecture. Four o'clock cuts into the middle of the afternoon. However, it is most convenient for the lecturer, and the recipients of these feasts ought to undergo some slight inconvenience in order to attend these lectures.

Come, men, brace up! Disprove the charge that we are incapable of appreciating Prof. Shepard's literary treats.

The outcome of the Syracuse game was a most unexpected and delightful surprise. We really did not expect it. But this shows what it is possible to do with a little hard work. The passing and team work of the men was so unlike that of any previous game that it is hard to believe that it is the same team. The captain and the rest of the men can not be praised too highly for their work. It is a victory like this that has been needed for some time to lift basket-ball up in the good graces of some who believe that we ought to drop it. It would not be presumptuous on our part to hope that we can give Colgate a surprise next Monday night. They have beaten us once this year, easily; perhaps it will not be so easy this time. Anyway the College will be out en masse to lend its moral support to the task in hand.

Tuesday evening the arc lights were turned on down town and once more Clinton has her streets lighted. Work is being hurried and if the transformers can be obtained in time it is possible that we may have electric lights on the Hill by the end of next week.

## Change in History Course.

Dr. Wood has proposed a change in the Senior history course for spring term. Instead of resuming the history of the Civil War and reconstruction period, the Seniors were given an option on a course which will certainly be introduced the spring term of 1906 . This course is a brief one in American diplomacy and international law.
An informal vote, after much hesitation, was taken and to the agreeable surprise of all, the vote was unanimous in favor of the new course proposed. Finding the opinion of the class so decidedly in favor of the change, Dr. Wood will probably give the Seniors the advantage of this new and timely course next term.

## The Senior Club.

The first conclave of the Senior Club was held at the Sigma Phi Hall Wednesday evening. The evening was spent in smoking, eating, drinking cider, and talking. Stories of what "we used to do" were plentiful and the good young cider disappeared rapidly. "Ollie" Humphrey, "Dick" Sherman, "Si" Loftis and "Herm" Speh furnished the amusement for the rest of the class. They certainly worked extremely hard to be sociable and amusing, and for that they should receive the heartfelt thanks of the club. After singing a few songs and as the hour waxed late, the club adjourned for two weeks. It was a happy evening well spent.

## Colgate Game.

On Monday evening, February 13th, Colgate will play Hamilton a return game of basket-ball in the Gym. When last the two teams met in Hamilton, we were defeated by a large score. But Monday evening we have every reason to look for a favorable outcome. The former game was practically but our second contest, whereas now we have met several teams in good hard games, and the results are plainly to be seen in our team work.

But the team must have support. In any branch of sport a team's support is an essential factor in the outcome, and herein basket ball is no exception. Let the attendance be even better than at the Syracuse game, and we all know what the team did on that occasion, encouraged as they were by almost the entire student body.

Schedule of remaining games:
Feb. 13-Colgate at Clinton.
$24-$ R. P. I. at Clinton.
27-Syracuse at Syracuse.
28-Rochester at Rochester.
Mar. 3-St. Lawrence at Clinton.
6-Alleghany at Clinton.

## Should College Students Study?

There is an interesting article in the North American Review for February, by Charles F. Thwing, LL. D., president of Western Reserve University and Adelbert College. The subject of it is: "Should College Students Study?" He says, taking Harvard as an example, that the average student gives 26 hours a week to study, 12 of which are spent in the class room, leaving only i4 hours of actual study. Now the college should be a place of high aims, high opportunities and high spirits, it is a place for work as well as for freedom, association and good fellowship. Yet the number wof men in this our greatest college, who do work as they ought, is discreditably small. Is the college not founded to save men from themselves? If men be indolent, is it not to show them the joy of labor, to reveal to them the opportunities of work, and to impress upon them the obligation of hard service? Most men of fifty would say that their college had not dealt fairly with them, if, receiving them at the age of 20 as her students, she had failed to oblige them to read the best books about the best things and to give hard thinking about hard sub. jects. Out of great struggles great men are born. Tolerance, courage, patience, power of observation, judgment, honor, soble purpose, are among the qualities which are both cause and result of hard and constant labor. Such are the elements which constitute a great nation. The college is a trustee for the nation and should train its men to work and work hard. Thus, therefore, not a little may be urged in favor of permitting college men to work three or four bours a day. But more, very much more, may We said for their working at least 6 or 8 hours a day. Going to college and working little is good; going to college and working much is better, very good. One needs simply to consult and follow the laws of value. First things are to be made first, and secondary things are to be made second. The college student should, indeed, be other than a student. But he should, at least, be a student, and $a$ hard one, too.

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## College Notes.

-Ross, ex-'o7, has returned to College in the class of 1908.
-Mr. Charles Hogue, of Utica, was a guest of Humphrey, '05, over Sunday.
-Swetman, 'o7, is confined to his home at Camden with a severe attack of tonsilitis.
-Holmes, '08, who injured his knee playing basket-ball, is now able to get out on crutches and enjoy recitations.
-The D. T. Club enjoyed a theatre party Wednesday night at the Majestic. Lulu Glasser in "The Madcap Princess" was the attraction.
-Prof. Saunders entertained the Sophomore chemistry class Thursday evening; needless to say the evening was profitably and enjoyably spent.
-On Friday morning the Sophomores had their first formal review in English Lit. They met with the usual luck. Literature is no cinch according to the testimony.
-At last the class picture of 1907 has been taken. If time is a factor of success in photography then this picture should be as near a perfect as possible with the material.
-Coach Hefferon has been on the Hill looking over the material for the baseball season. He met the squad in the Gym. and expressed himself as pleased with the prospect for a good team this spring.
-It is just as we thought, the manager claimed Waterville, but it was perfectly
apparent to the naked eye that Waterville didn't claim the manager. Let us see what kind of a reception Franklin Iron Works gives him.
-Prof. Brandt, to Dutch shark: "Why is the adjective Russian written with a capital letter in English? It might well begin with a small letter now." Accent on the now. Who says the Faculty has lost its sense of humor?
-"Alec" Drummond had a hard time last Saturday. He lost his breakfast, was deprived of his "supe" in Dutch, amid Oom Paul's tears, and ended up by being tired out of noon chapel. That is a pretty good record for one day.
-On account of illness Snyder, 'o8, was unable to take part in the concert at Waterville. To fill out the program "Sic" Sicard and "Bill" Purdy volunteered to dramatize "Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde." The manager readily consented. At the rise of the curtain out rushed the two gentlemen named above, and one of the most touching productions of "comic tragedy" ever witnessed on the Waterville stage resulted. "Bill" fell over "Sic" and then "Sic" fell over "Bill," and it is safe to wager that had the curtain not descended and shut out the touching spectacle the audience would soon have fallen over both of them.
-We have all heard of Harlequin. It is probable that nearly everybody believes that he is dead, but this is a mistake. Right here in our midst either Harlequin or his brother is thriving, growing fat and lazy. He didn't have to go to a doctor this time, he is physically perfect. It is a mutual trouble, yet with no chance for a nervous disorder, in truth the danger lies all on the other side. We are afraid his wits instead of becoming overworked will grow rusty. It all amounts to this. Our paragon of humor, our collector of "bon mots," our glee club joker is unable to "tumble" to one of the best in Drummond's repertore, and, after canvassing an equally dullwitted dormitory for the point, is obliged to resort to a Freshman. Along with Sicard there also ran Paton, Stryker, Benedict, Haggerson.

## The Vernon Concert.

The Glee and Instrumental Clubs gave the second concert of the season on February 3rd, at Vernon. The concert was a success financially and a good sized audience was in attendance. Either the clubs were very uninteresting, which we do not think is true, or the au-
dience was in a comatose state throughout the concert, for the approbation shown was practically an unknown quantity. The Vernonites maintained a stolid indifference until the first batch of "stunts" was propounded, when they deigned to show some appreciation. Sicard and Purdy in an impromptu "stunt" failed to waken them. Snyder's "stunts" went the way of the rest. The fellows had given up all hope when, unexpectedly, Adams' manipulation of the snare-drum in the "Swing Song" brought them back to life. The rendering of the different musical numbers was much better than in the Clinton concert, and after all, the fellows had a good time after they got warmed up from the long drive. The following program was given:

Winter Song,
PART I.
Glee Club.

## Selections from Cingalee,

Arr. by G. L. Coleman
English Musical Comedy, Mandolin Club.

## "Stunts,"

A. H. Child, ' 05.

Fair Hamilton, C. W. Rockwell, '05 Double Quartette.
E. Nevin

Arr. by G. L. Coleman
Mandolin Club. PART II.
That Little Peach
Neidlinger Glee Club.

## "Stunts."

H. J. Snyder, 'o8.

Gypsy Love Song,
"Swing Song," from Veronique Messager, English Musical Comedy,

Arr. by J. G. Clark, 'ơ Mandolin Club.

## "Carissima.'

Glee and Mandolin Clubs.
The make-up of the clubs was as follows:
Manager-Frank M. Wright, '05.
Assistant Manager-Floyd D. French, 'o6.
Glee Club-Charles W. Rockwell, '05. leader. Ist tenor: Rockwell, 'o5, Stryker, 'o6, Getman, '07, Simmons,' 08 ; 2nd tenor: Hand, '05, Munger, '05, Rogers, '05, Clark, '07; Ist bass: Springstead, '05, Purdy, '06, Sicard, 'o6, French, 'o6, C. Allen, 'o7; 2nd bass: Merrick, '05, Evans, '05, Warburton, '06, Trippe, '07, Coupe, 'o8.

Mandolin Club-H. L. Stowell, '05, leader. Ist Mandolin: Stoweil, '05, Abbey, 'o5, Trippe, 'o7, Holley, 'o8,' Merrick, '05, Adams, '08, Goodier, 'o8, Purdy. '06, Allen, '08, White, '08; 2nd mandolin: Rogers, '05, Haven, 'o6, DeWitt, 'o6.

Guitars: Rockwell, '05, Snyder, '08, Goodier, '08; violins: Paton, '05, Love, '07; cello: Stowell, 'o5; clarinet: Bagg, 'o7; accompanist: J. C. Clark, 'o7; readers: A. H. Child, '05, H. J. Snyder, 'o8.

## Calendar for the Week.

Saturday-2:00 p. m., Mandolin Club rehearsal; 3:00 p. m., Glee Club rehearsal.

Sunday-4:00 p. m., Student meeting at Silliman Hall.

Monday-4 p. m., Mandolin Club rehearsal; 5:00 p. m., Glee Club rehearsal; 8:00 p. m., Basket-ball: Colgate vs. Hamilton.

Wednesday-9:00 p. m., Fraternity dances.

Thursday-3:00 p. m., Musical Clubs concert at the chapel; 9:00 p. m., Junior Prom.

Friday-9:oo p. m., Fraternity dances.

## Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Y. M. C. A. dues are payable NOW to the treasurer, R. M. McLean. Kindly have the $\$ \mathrm{I} .50$ ready for him when he visits you.

Election of officers for the association is only a month off. Dues ought to be paid before that time.

Last Sunday Dr. McAfee, pastor of Lafayette Ave. Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, preached in the chapel, and addressed the Y. M. C. A. in the afternoon. His was the third address in the series of life-work addresses which have been given at stated intervals during last term and this. Dr. McAfee presented "The Claims of the Christian Ministry upon College Men," in a frank, forcible and practical manner.

The professions of medicine, teaching and business are yet to be presented.

The Sunday afternoon will be a student meeting. Good singing will be a feature. Effort has been made to provide for a strong meeting. All welcome.

A cabinet meeting was held after the regulas meeting last Sunday afternoon. The special business was the voting into membership of the men who had applied for membership. Owing to considerable delay, this business has not been accomplished. A list of men voted in by the cabinet will be posted on the Y. M. C. A. bulletin board. If any applicant has been overlooked, he may notify H. L. Stowell, '05, chairman of membership committee.

## Among the Colleges.

Stanford football players who helped defeat Berkeley this year were awarded small gold footballs, which may be used as watch charms, besides the regular
varsity "S." The coaches and trainers were alike awarded the gold footballs.
At a meeting of the chess committee of Cambridge University, held at Cambridge, England, it was decided to formally except the challenge of Columbia, Yale, Harvard and Princeton, for a sixth international cable chess match for the Isaac L. Rice trophy. It is understood that Oxford, which is a joint holder of
the Rice cup with Cambridge, will also accept. April 14 and 15 have been set as the days on whith the matches will be played. Cambridge and Oxford will be represented by a sextet team-three men from each university; while the American colleges will be represented by a team of six men, selected by the chess team captains of the four challenging universities.

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