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## Baseball Review.

The baseball season of 1901 came to a close with the game at Rochester June 8, and it is now perhaps fitting to take a look backward and review results. The season has not been as successful as we hoped it would be. Defeat has come to us more often than we expected. Still, when circumstances are considered, it ceases to be a matter of wonder. Five members of last year's team were lost, either by graduation or for other causes, and practically a new team had to be placed in the field. Much crude material presented itself at the beginning, and to develop this material and mold it into a reliable combination proved a knotty problem for captain and coach. It was found necessary to shift old men to new positions in order to balance the infield and this, together with the inexperience of the new men, placed the team in a state of unstable equilibrium until the season was well advanced, especially as weather conditions were such for no inconsiderable portion of the time as to forbid practice.

The interclass games early in April were a success. They served to arouse interest and to bring out candidates. Yet they were to a certain degree deceptive. Several of those who made the best impression in these preliminaries steadily declined in their work, and in the first two or three Varsity games proved a disappointment, making a change imperative.

Coach Johnson worked hard and gave the team the full benefit of his broad knowledge of the game, yet for more than a week of his brief stay rain ruled supreme and practice could not be indulged in. When the fellows took the field for the Rochester game April 26 they lined up for the first time. The diamond had been in a watersogged condition for days and no opportunity was available for determining the personnel of the team which would make the strongest combination. The result was

inevitable. Still, with the exception of one or two innings, the fellows put up a much better game than might have been expected. The team work was necessarily slack, and the members showed an inclination to get off the earth. Then came the West Point game at West Point on the 27th. It was merely a repetition of the previous day's exhibition. Hobart proved easy. Dunn's illness at this stage made it necessary for Durkee to pitch his third game of the week, against Colgate. Overwork had its effect and his delivery toward the latter part of the game weakened. Error after error was made by Hamilton. A bad case of "rattle" caused the degeneration of the game into a farce.

Thus far instability had been the prime factor in our losses. The fellows played well at times, but always with a feeling of uncertainty and fear that the inevitable fatal inning would follow. Lack of confidence and lack of steadiness proved disastrous. It was plain that changes would have to be made and a shake-up followed. The beneficial effects derived from this change at once made themselves evident. The fielding and also the batting ability of the team improved very perceptibly.

The game scheduled with Columbia was cancelled by Columbia. Then came the second Colgate game. We outplayed our opponents in the field and nearly equalled them with the stick. However, owing to a little hard luck, the game resulted in defeat. Marked improvement had been made within the week and the team played good steady ball all the time.

The Trinity and Williams games were cancelled and rain prevented the Middlebury game. Hamilton took her second game from Hobart and was again defeated by Rochester. Practice games were played with Columbia A. C. of Utica and the Waterville team, both resulting in victory by an easy margin. To be sure, we have been the losers most of the time, but the team has been slow-

ly and surely improving in fielding. The stick work has been erratic, and timely hitting has not been a feature. The latter part of the season the fellows found the ball quite often, but usually at inopportune times. However, we believe that the season has not been lacking in good results. The future will no doubt profit by the present, and the material developed this year will benefit next year's team much. We will lose Millham at third, Keogh at right field and Dunn in the box, and the loss will be felt keenly. We have discovered Mac, Judd and Stiles! Peet was moved from behind the plate to short field, and altho inaccurate at first, became a fixture. Hunter filled the catching position in the most approved style, playing a good game thruout the season.

The averages of the men are given below, as is the schedule as played:

April 26,	Hamilton 6,	Rochester 12.
27,	" 4,	West Point 14.
May 1,	" 26,	Hobart 3.
4,	" 3,	Colgate 17.
16,	" 1,	Colgate 7.
June 7,	" 10,	Hobart 3.
8,	" 6,	Rochester 13.

### FIELDING AVERAGES.

McLaughlin	.....	1.000
Stiles	.....	1.000
Keogh	.....	.934
Hunter	.....	.933
Judd	.....	.924
Dunn	.....	.916
Durkee	.....	.846
Peet	.....	.833
Millham	.....	.800
White	.....	.667
Pritchett	.....	.556
Soper	.....	.334

### BATTING AVERAGES.

Stiles	.....	.428
Keogh	.....	.360
Judd	.....	.334
Millham	.....	.322
White	.....	.280
Dunn	.....	.250
Soper	.....	.250
Hunter	.....	.240
Peet	.....	.237
McLaughlin	.....	.186
Durkee	.....	.174
Pritchett	.....	.067



**Intercollegiate.**

—The intercollegiate golf championship went to Harvard.

—President McKinley will address the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity at the Wesleyan Commencement.

—A department in archæology is soon to be founded at Phillips-Andover Academy.

—The co-eds of Wisconsin have organized a rowing crew.

—An alumni building will be erected upon the campus of Cornell University.

—Suppose Chicago should challenge Harvard to a crocheting match, or a knitting contest, or a game of spatter work, or pyrography? Who can doubt the issue? Vive the co-ed! Glory to Stogg.

—*Chicago Post.*

—The trustees of the Kansas Wesleyan University, Salina, Kan., refused to re-elect Prof. F. D. Tubbs to the chair of science because of his alleged heretical views. The students are in rebellion over the action of the trustees. A number of the leading students took charge of the Commencement exercises and turned them into an indignation meeting.

—Richard Sheldon, who was recently elected captain of the Yale track team for the ensuing year, will have charge of the Yale team at the international games in New York on Sept. 21.

—The total enrollment for this year at the Tougaloo University, Mississippi, an institution for colored people, was 500.

—A large fund, amounting to \$83,000, was recently raised for the Newton Theological Institution. This amount will be duplicated by J. D. Rockefeller.

**1903 Hamiltonian Board.**

The 1903 Hamiltonian Board will consist of M. F. Allbright, E. S. Durkee, J. W. Huff, F. L. Putnam, W. C. Schuyler, W. E. Youker. The Sigma Phi nomination has not yet been made.

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"THESE are the times that try men's souls." Reviews galore and exams looming up in the near future. It is so easy to obey the call of a fellow classmate to enjoy the shade of the campus with him in order to discuss grave and pointed questions of college doctrine and student interests. But, oh, the pain of the thought of that review next day. It makes tyrants of the faculty, and books but thieves of time. But the hardest of all is to spend long hours on a difficult review and get called on something you believed unimportant. It is too bad that the faculty are not responsible for the weather, for were it thus we might offer some reasonable excuse for our lack of ambition.

WE ARE pleased to use these columns to say that the managers of all departments of athletics have done exceptionally well. It is no easy matter to begin the season with a large deficit and come out with money ahead at its close. Each of the managers has been painstaking and careful in the performance of his duties. We venture the remark that this has been the most successful year that Hamilton has ever had in athletics. Good managers, excellent coaches, and captains above reproach, have given us their time and effort for the promotion of our athletic standard. And subscriptions have been generous and in the main promptly paid. 'Tis true that we are beginning to think too much that managers must be beggars, and must call upon us to pay the price before we feel compelled to make any effort to secure the necessary funds. In so far, we are somewhat slow.

The games have been well patronized and the student body has displayed good

spirit and college loyalty. We have taken one hundred men to Albany to see a football game, and fully as many to Colgate for a track meet. We want to do better. It is *our* college and *our* interests that call the team to meet worthy opponents. It is not *the* 'Varsity but *our* 'Varsity that fights our battles.

A CAREFUL inquiry discloses the fact that fire escapes are an exceptionally rare article in the college dormitories. Fortunate indeed have we been thus far in not having any use for them, but this does not excuse the fact that we are woefully in need of them. The attention of the trustees should be called to the matter and the fault promptly remedied. It is the right of the student body to demand such for their own protection. We shall do all in our power to bring this matter before the proper authorities and request them to do what is their plain duty to do. It is careless, and contains the possibility of a great deal of censure should any one be so unfortunate as to lose his life by such neglect.

### Vale! Prof. Dodge.

As is well known in the college, Prof. Melvin G. Dodge will not be here next September in his accustomed capacity as librarian. His wedding trip about the middle of July will end in California where, August 1, he will take charge of the library at Leland Stanford, Jr., University. His position will be that of associate librarian, but he will be in charge of the work. Prof. Dodge was graduated from Hamilton in the class of '90. The following year he was assistant in the chemical laboratory and in 1892 was made assistant librarian under Prof. Scollard. At the beginning of the next college year he took up the duties of librarian. In 1896 he gave up work in the chemical laboratory and since then his time has been devoted exclusively to the library. It has been time well spent for Hamilton. In 1892 there were 30,000 volumes on the shelves, and now there are 41,000. In this time, too, the circulation of books among the students has increased from 2200 volumes a year to 4800 volumes. Not the least valuable work has been done in exchanging a large number of duplicate books, thus increasing the scope and usefulness of the library without any extra expense. The catalog has been kept up and is in first class condition. Credit for all this work is not due alone to Prof. Dodge,

but all credit is due him for his splendid administration as, in less capable hands, the growth would not have been so remarkable.

It has been in the capacity of helpmeet and adviser that the students have known him best. Here they have always found him ready to assist them, whether in getting out material for freshman essays or for senior prize debates. Because he has been obliging and in sympathy with them, the good-will of Hamilton's undergraduates will follow him clear across the continent to wish him joy in his honeymoon and success in his work.

### Honors in 1901.

Valedictorian—G. F. Jenks.  
Salutatorian—E. W. Triess.  
High honor, senior year:  
Drummond, Jenks, Sippell, Sweet, Triess.  
Honor:  
Augsbury, Bratt, Churchill, Davenport, Hicok, McLaughlin, Mintz, Quinn, Speh, Stowell.  
Credit:  
Catlin, Cookinham, Lonsdale, Macardell, McKee, Millham, Redmond, Stryker.  
High honor for the course:  
Augsbury, Davenport, Drummond, Jenks, Sippell, Sweet, Triess.  
Honor:  
Quinn, Hicok, Redmond, Speh.  
Credit:  
Churchill, Currie, Lonsdale, Macardell, McKee, Millham, Stowell, Mintz.  
Department honors:  
In Greek—Drummond.  
In Latin—Sippell, Triess.  
In Mathematics—Augsbury, Davenport, Jenks, McKee.  
In German—Speh, Sweet, Triess.  
In French—Sippell.  
In Rhetoric and Oratory—Drummond, Quinn, Redmond.  
In Ethics—Drummond, Jenks, Sippell, Triess.  
In Chemistry—Jenks, Sweet.  
In Physics and Astronomy—Jenks.  
In Biology—Sweet.  
In Geology and Mineralogy—Churchill.  
In American History—Augsbury, Hicok, Macardell, McLaughlin, Mintz.  
French Prizes—Davenport, Hicok.  
German Prizes—Triess, Speh.  
Physics Prizes—Jenks; no second award.  
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Prof. R. A. King of Wabash College was the committee of award in German and Prof. Bancroft of Cornell University was the committee in chemistry.

The highest grade in the class is 9.7. The average grade of the entire class is 8.3. Jenks takes the valedictory with a standing that only four men have ever attained previously in this college. The average standing of the class is better than its predecessor by .4 and less than the average of the highest grade attained by any class by .3.

### Dr. Holbrook's Wins.

H. Murray Andrews, assistant professor in Latin and Greek, has been elected to take charge of the classical department at Dr. Holbrook's school, Sing Sing on the Hudson. He will begin his work next September. Of the many young men who have from time to time been identified with Hamilton's faculty no one, more successfully than he, has filled his position as teacher and been a factor for good in the college life. Dr. Holbrook's academy is to be congratulated.

### The "Lit." Board.

The following men will have charge of the *Lit.* for next year:

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### College Notes.

—In Latin, Hunter, '04, talks of olive wine.

—"I need a wife." We all think so, Foreman.

—Prof. Shepard is to be married the 20th of this month.

—Bill Shep cuts the sophomores in French on Tuesday.

—Bib cuts the sophomores in Old English on Monday.

—Only five rooms in North for ten seniors! A new dormitory seems to be in order.

—The soph Bible, which is usually the last event of the week, has been changed to Tuesday.

—Bugs cut the juniors and sophs in embryology Wednesday. Houghton was the cause of it.

—In speaking of existence as an ultimate notion, Prof. White told Toll to come back to life.

—Monday evening Sippell, '01, attended a card party given by Miss Mayer, Waterville.

—Psycho agrees to give an easy exam to the juniors, provided they will allow him an extra recitation.

—Jones, '03, had the misfortune to dislocate his arm last week while engaged in spring football practice.

—The sophomores should make the most of ducking the freshmen. Only about a week and a half remains.

—The Houghton Commencement exercises were held this week, culminating with the reception on Wednesday evening.

—Dress suits were a common occurrence on the Hill during the past week on account of Houghton Commencement.

—Bristol, '04, translating in French, "and the machine grinds our painted lambs." His thoughts must have been on his toys.

—It doesn't seem right that men should be forced to room in South, and yet that is what the trustees are doing. The building is unfit for any use, damp, dark, and treacherous stairs to mount. It is to be hoped something will be done whereby this menace can be dispensed with.

### Commencement Week.

To many Commencement time is the most enjoyable function of the college year. To those who are thoroly acquainted with the characteristics of graduating time there are none perhaps so interesting and attractive as the exercises of Campus Day. On Monday afternoon, beginning at 2:30, the graduating class will hold their Campus Day celebration. The officers of this occasion are: President, R. C. S. Drummond; orator, F. H. Cookinham; poet, W. J. Quinn; ivy orator, W. J. Lonsdale. The class of 1902 will be well represented in the person of Nelson Drummond, who, having labored most diligently during that last four weeks in concocting a collatitious collectanea, will endeavor to convince "the grave old seniors" that tho their career may have been an enviable one, it has not been superior.

Dave Peet of the class of 1903 possesses many characteristics which at once qualify him as a representative of his fellow-classmen. There are many interesting subjects which he may with propriety present to his experienced seniors. Peet is an orator, and it is with feelings of the utmost confidence that the dignity and fame of his class will be firmly upheld against the onslaught of his listeners that his classmates await his appearance.

To paint in true colors the hardships and pleasures, the sorrows and joys of a freshman needs the brush of a man who has passed thru all the stages of a freshman's transmogrification. To tell the stories of the experiences of the first year of a college course under the trying circumstances of Campus Day, a man must needs be strong, persevering and self-conscious. Strickland has proved himself on the board and the turf to be the

man for the position. He will address the seniors in behalf of the freshmen.

On Tuesday afternoon, beginning at 2:30, will occur the Class Day ceremonies. The following men have been selected as officers of the occasion: President, Harry Mintz; orator, E. S. Augsbury; poet, J. E. Johnston; historian, M. J. Sweet; presentation committee, Messrs. Redmond (chairman), Skinner and Sippell.

Monday evening, in the Stone Church, will occur the McKinney Prize Declamation contest. From the class of 1904 Messrs. Beach, Carter, Soper and Wicks will speak. Those to represent the class of 1903 will be Messrs. Burgess, Courtenay, Lambert and Peet. Of the class of 1902 Messrs. Lewis, Miller, Scoville and Van Allen will speak. Mention should be made of the exceptionally fine work which has and will be done by the freshmen who are to speak that night. They are all good men.

The thirty-fourth McKinney Prize Debate in the Stone Church will be held Tuesday evening. The proposition is: "Resolved, That government subsidies for the U. S. merchant marine are to be approved. The appointments are as follows: Mr. Augsbury of Plessis, Mr. Drummond of Auburn, Mr. Mintz of Binghamton, Mr. Quinn of Utica, Mr. Redmond of Greene and Mr. Stowell of Ithaca.

The following men will speak on Commencement Day: Messrs. Augsbury, Davenport, Drummond, Hicok, Quinn, Sippell, Sweet, Triess, Jenks.

### Baseball Trip.

The baseball team finished the season last Saturday at Rochester. After the New England trip had been cancelled and the games with Columbia and Middlebury given up we were glad enough to be able to get off for the short but pleasant trip which ended the season.

Leaving Thursday at 2:40, we arrived in Utica at 3, and assembled at Frey's, where we posed for our pictures. Fritz and Tommy were late as usual, but had previous engagements. Soon after we left for Syracuse, where we arrived in the early evening. Here we repaired to the Vanderbilt Hotel. It being still early, we went out to see the town and sights. Some went to see the women bicycle riders at the Alhambra, others went down to the Valley, but there was nothing doing there. Tommy went out and saw Sweetland who, by the way, is

just recovering from a serious attack of typhoid fever.

We all rounded up at the hotel at 10:30, where we betook ourselves to our downy couches (?). In the middle of the night we were awakened by a most awful rumbling and roaring, and for a few moments thought that some cattle train had put up for the night nearby, but close investigation showed that it was only Durk and Rickie snoring.

In the morning, directly after breakfast, we boarded the train for Geneva, where, after a short trip, we arrived and were distributed among the various fraternities.

The game, which was called at 3:30, was a good one, perhaps the best of the season. With the exception of Millham's error, which was excusable, we played a perfect game, and won easily.

That night we were all invited to the show by the Hobart manager, and all with the exception of Joe and Carmer attended.

The following day we went on to Rochester, where we played in the afternoon. It was a bad day, and the fellows were tired. This, coupled with hard luck, gave the victory to Rochester. After the game we scattered, some returning that night, others Sunday morning.

The team this year has certainly had hard luck. We have had a good captain and manager, and there has been more interest than ever before, but the weather has been against us, and some of the men have not been able to get off on the trips. The work on the whole has been good and encouraging, and with the good start we have, let us hope that this branch of athletics may be built up even as football.

**A Fish Story.**

Brick Blake is authority for the story that gold fish are to be put in the fountain on the campus. It is a good story, and it would be a good idea if the suggestion were followed. To have fancy fish in the basin would be an attraction. The stones in the center afford a safe hiding place from boys. An alumnus who heard the story suggested that lobster would add much to the fish show. This has been tried during the underclass rushes, and altho they looked well while in the water, they left it too soon after the first plunge to be of any lasting value as a drawing card.

**Phi Beta Kappa Election.**

At a meeting of Hamilton Chapter, Phi Beta Kappa, held Friday afternoon, June 7, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- President—Prof. Edward North.
- First vice president—Prof. H. C. G. Brandt.
- Second vice president—Clinton Scollard.
- Third vice president—Prof. Benedict.
- Secretary—Prof. J. D. Ibbotson.
- Treasurer—Prof. S. J. Saunders.
- Marshal—Prof. Henry White.

The following members of the class of 1901 have been admitted to the organization: E. S. Augsburg, Plessis; H. I. Davenport, Troy; R. C. S. Drummond, Auburn; G. S. Jenks, Sauquoit; F. W. Sippell, Boonville; M. J. Sweet, North Brookfield; E. W. Triess, Boonville.

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