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Let There Be Light!

There is one thing on this hill that needs attention right away; that is, the matter of lights. Thus far not one of the old kerosene lamps on College street or on the campus has been lighted and it is as much as a man's life is worth to attempt to go out of the house after dark. It is simply pitiful to go stumbling along in the darkness and, meeting another person or group of persons groping their way in like manner, to behold the startled surprise of your fellow unfortunates, to hear their ejaculations, profane or apologetic, when they feel their way past you. Think of the risk we undergo, of getting laid up with a broken leg or a sprained ankle! And, anyway, the nervous strain resulting from the endeavor to get up or down the hill safe is enough to prevent a man from studying his next day's lessons.

And this condition of affairs is so inexcusable. Here we have in Clinton a company prepared to furnish electric lights at reasonable cost, and with wires already laid up College Hill. What fatuity characterizes the college authorities that they do not seize upon this opportunity of securing modern and adequate facilities for illuminating properly the college grounds and the approaches thereto. We venture to predict that all the property owners on College Hill, irrespective of college connection, would gladly subscribe with the college authorities to a plan having in view the lighting of College street and the campus. Electric lamps would not be subject to the same disadvantages as the old kerosene lamps, as, for instance, they would not present such great temptations to the minds of adventurous sophomores and ambitious freshmen. We can't under-

stand why the college hasn't embraced the present opportunity.

Of course, this leaves out of discussion the question of lights in the dormitories, a question that is as old as the buildings themselves, and agitation of which will produce no more results now than in the past.

The Reading Room.

We speak here a word and warning to the freshmen anent their conduct in the reading room and their uses of its papers and periodicals. The reading room is not intended to be, nor should it be, the general meeting place of conversational and debating societies. It is a room appointed for reading and not talking. No one expects nor desires that it present the starched aspect of a Sunday school, nor on the contrary, that its appearance should be comparable to the disorder of a distracted caucus. To the former extreme it will not, and to the latter, it should not run. To have one's ears assailed on all sides by the babble of voices or the diabolism of so-called music while perusing a paper or studying a magazine is enough to make one forget his religion. The members of the new class have thus far, we believe deported themselves there with commendable decorum, and this should be their habitual conduct.

Another word regarding the periodicals themselves. Students should have enough consideration for the rights of others to guard against the abuse of reading room privileges. It is not respecting these rights to clip important items from newspapers or abstract magazines and hold them for days in the privacy of one's room. To withdraw them for the night is proper, but to return them the next morning

is a duty every student owes to his fellows. We know that last year current magazines were absent for weeks at a stretch, to the exasperation of seniors and juniors who required them for discussions or debate. Nor should periodicals be maltreated, as too often they are. Too often the reading room presents the appearance of an editor's sanctum, with papers scattered, magazines mutilated, one page divorced from its mate, and all mingled and massed in a chaos of confusion. Let it be remembered that the room is a place for reading and not talking, and that the periodicals are there for study and not abuse.

The Auburn-Lorton Company.

To celebrate the victory over Clarkson, last Monday night most of the college went down to see the presentation of "Our Dorothy" by the Auburn-Lorton Comedy Company. How any such troupe has the face to put any such play upon the stage before an ordinarily intelligent audience and expect to receive attention, not to say applause, is more than we can understand. The plot was trite when it was not absurd, developed, evidently, with no idea as to the fitness of things and with no conception of the way things happen in real life. The impersonation was poor, and the lines of the play were so intrinsically nonsensical and so overdrawn in rendition that they failed not to draw forth audible smiles and snorts of derision. Of all the miserable attempts at "heavy" work, the back-breaking efforts at witicism, the grovelling endeavor generally to create the impression of the presence of histrionic skill, this was certainly the worst example that has

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Athletic Departm't.

N. L. DRUMMOND, Editor.

Hamilton vs. Clarkson.

Hamilton met Clarkson School of Technology on Steuben Field Monday, in the second practice game of the season. From start to finish Clarkson was clearly outplayed at all points, but the boys from Potsdam deserve much praise for their plucky work and their gentlemanly conduct. They stared defeat in the face from the very beginning, yet strove hard to keep the score as low as possible. Clarkson played three substitutes and Hamilton was minus the aid of two of her best linemen, Gilbert and N. Drummond. However, Blakely and Naylor filled their places very acceptably. The threatening weather undoubtedly kept many away from the game, but there was a fair number of students and townspeople present when play was called at 4:15. The wind had partially dried the field so that it was in very fair condition. The game opened with Clarkson defending the north goal and Hamilton in possession of the ball. Keogh kicked off to Clarkson's 20 yard line, Clarkson carrying the ball back 5 yards before being downed. Wait ran right end for a short gain. Stebbins got 2 yards more. Hamilton held on the next two plays and the Techs were forced to punt. Millham caught the punt and made a pretty run before he was brought down. Then Hamilton worked the ball steadily down the field. Keogh skirted left end for 5 yards. Drummond got six more thru tackle. Stowell went thru the other side of the line for 5 yards, Keogh and Peet both make good gains. Keogh tries left end for one yard. Drummond and Dunn go thru the line. Peet gets 7 yards. Drummond is pushed over the line for the first touchdown. Stowell kicked the goal. Clarkson kicked off and Keogh carried the ball back 20 yards. Peet is sent around the end and Keogh thru tackle, for short gains. Peet circles right end and runs 60 yards to a touchdown. Stowell again kicked the goal. Palmer kicked off to Stowell who carried it

back 10 yards. Keogh runs left end for 40 yards and Peet circles right end for another touchdown. Stowell kicks the goal. Score, 18-0.

On the next kick-off Keogh runs back 20 yards before being downed. Dunn cuts thru the line for 10 yards. Drummond rips thru tackle for 10 more. Keogh adds 13 more. Drummond is again sent against tackle and gets two yards. Keogh goes around left end for 10 yards and Peet does the same trick around right end. Stowell gets 8 thru tackle. Ball is fumbled but Keogh falls on it. Peet tries left end again and Dunn goes thru the centre. Keogh carries the ball across the line and Stowell kicks the fourth goal, Palmer kicks off and Dunn returns 22 yards. Keogh bucks the line for 10 yards and Dunn follows with five more. Drummond fumbles but recovers the ball. Peet tries the end for no gain but again is sent around and gains 8 yards. Clarkson secures the ball on fumble, but loses it immediately, Millham securing it and carrying it down the field to within one yard of Clarkson's goal line. Stowell is then shoved over for the fifth touchdown but misses the goal. Keogh catches the next kick-off, falls but gains his feet and goes back 5 yards. Peet then punts. Stebbins makes 5 yards around right end and Clarkson gains three more thru the line. Hamilton then holds and Cheney tries for a goal from the field. Dunn gets 10 yards and Keogh follows suit. Peet fails to gain and Keogh is sent around the end for 7 yards. Peet punts and Redmond falls on the ball for Hamilton on Clarkson's 15-yard line. Here the half ended with the score 29-0.

Second Half.—In the second half, Hamilton played T. McLaughlin at quarter, and DeVotie at full. Palmer kicked over Hamilton's goal line to DeVotie. Ball was taken out 25 yards and Peet punted, Clarkson advancing the ball 5 yards before being downed. Clarkson gains 8 yards thru the line in two plays, but is penalized 5 yards for being off-side. Clarkson gets 5 yards around end and two thru the line. She bucks the line for no gain, but on the next play gets 3 yards. Hamilton holds on the next play and Ward se-

cures the ball for the Buff and Blue on a fumble. Then commenced the old tactics again. Keogh runs the end for 12 yards and again for 6. Stowell crashes thru tackle for 2 yards, and a moment later adds four more. Keogh gains five thru the line. T. MacLaughlin circles right end for 30 yards. DeVotie bucks centre and gets four. Keogh offers his contribution of 6 yards, Stowell goes around left end for a touchdown and kicks the goal. Palmer kicks out of bounds and makes a second attempt. This time Peet gets it and runs back 25 yards. Peet is sent around left end and gets ten. Keogh carries the ball around the other end for 5 yards. Drummond goes into tackle and comes out with 10 yards. Stowell gets three thru the other side. T. MacLaughlin runs right end for a touchdown. Stowell kicks the goal again. Score 41-0. Palmer again kicks out of bounds and tries once more. Strickland here replaces Keogh at right half, and tries left end for a loss. Stowell crashes thru left tackle for 5 yards and Drummond thru right for the same amount. Strickland is sent around left end for seven and Peet gets four around right end. DeVotie bucks the centre for 15 yards. T. MacLaughlin gains 7 yards around right end. Clarkson here wanted to stop, but after a short discussion, play is resumed. Strickland gains 4 yards around left end; Peet five around right. Strickland makes 10 yards around left end, and Peet is sent for 5 yards around right end. Drummond ploughs thru right tackle 5 yards, and Stowell thru left tackle for six more. Time is called with the ball in Hamilton's possession on Clarkson's 3-yard line,

Clarkson failed to hold Hamilton on downs once during the game, and only twice did she make any progress against the stone wall line of the Buff and Blue. The ball was slippery and difficult to handle, consequently there was some fumbling. For Clarkson, Stebbins and Palmer did good work. While for Hamilton, Keogh's and Peet's end running, Stowell's plunges thru the line, Dunn's line bucking, and Millham's running were especial features. Hamilton formed good in-

terference and played good, hard football. Altho slower than usual, she was very fast compared with the Techs. Coach Rymer is turning out a very fast team, and the best of them have nothing on old Hamilton. The next game will be with Hobart College, on Steuben Field, Monday, Oct. 15. Following is the line-up:

Clarkson, (o). Hamilton, (41).

	Left End.	
Burton.		Naylor.
	Left Tackle.	
Edwards, (Joy).		R. Drummond.
	Left Guard.	
Sperry, (Pohl.)		Wills.
	Centre.	
Witherstine.		Blakely,
	Right Guard.	
Ward.		Ward.
	Right Tackle.	
Palmer.		Stowell, (Capt.)
	Right End.	
Brand.		Redmond.
	Quarter.	
Tilton.	Millham, (T. MacLaughlin.)	
	Left Half.	
Waite.		Peet.
	Right Half.	
Stebbins.	Keogh, (Strickland.)	
	Full Back.	
Cheney.	Dunn, (DeVotie.)	

Umpire and referee, Corson (ex-Dartmouth) Clarkson; W. MacLaughlin, (H). Linesmen, Pohl, (C); T. MacLaughlin, (H); Millham, (H). Timekeepers, Stanley (C); Speh, (H). Time of halves, 20 and 17 1-2 minutes. Touchdowns, Stowell 2, Peet 2, Drummond 1, Keogh 1, T. MacLaughlin 1. Goals, Stowell 6.

Concerning the Clarkson Game.

THE football players were favored by fortune in that Monday was not so hot a day as its predecessors had been. The eleven representing the Clarkson Institute of Technology having arrived on the 12:40 had plenty of time and opportunity to recover from the depressing effects of railway travel. The game could not be called until 4 o'clock; and as a consequence some entertained fears that darkness would prevent the finishing of the game;

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WE should like to see inaugurated a new system with regard to freshman elections; namely, the organization for the first term should be only temporary. As the elections are now held, very few of the freshmen are acquainted with each other, not to say with the qualifications of any man or any number of men for the various offices to be filled. The requisite characteristics of the president of a class, and even of the treasurer, are many in number and nice in quality, and can be appreciated only after the class has had time to analyze itself and understand not only the composition of itself, but also what sort of a man he should be who is to preside over its meetings; who is to organize, direct, and mould; who is to secure harmony of action and uniformity of purpose; and what man of the sixty and more is able to fulfill the onerous and delicate duties of class treasurer, for the trials of that officer are proverbial and require a persistence and tact extreme in degree.

The solution of the problem seems to us to reside in the plan of adopting a temporary organization for fall term, until the class shall have acquired that knowledge and acquaintance that is necessary to prevent it from committing itself to a step or to a decision that is practically irrevocable, and which may produce regret and trouble that endure for a course.

THE attendance at the two football games of this season has been very good. We hope the fellows will continue to manifest this spirit thruout the fall. And, besides lending merely his presence, everybody furnished

lung power wherewith to encourage the team. We like to see the crowd get down behind the goal posts when Hamilton has the ball on her opponents' five-yard line, and yell "Touchdown! Touchdown! Touchdown!" It is that sort of thing that opens holes and smashes thru tackles, by virtue of the power of inspiration. When the team see their rooters running along the side lines or standing behind the goal, yelling and waving flags, hats and canes, they can play better football by a good deal. Now, when Hobart comes to Clinton to play us, just let the college help the team bury them so deep that they won't want to see Steuben Field again!

IT is a pleasing and encouraging sign that there is so much interest being displayed in college concerning political questions. The burden of almost every conversation we hear is politics. When young men in college take such an absorbing interest in a great national campaign and in the discussion of great political questions, the results of this youthful ardor in after years cannot fail to be beneficial. The tendency of the times, we hear so often, is for educated men to slight their duties of citizenship, and to leave political and administrative affairs to bosses and to professional politicians; hence present incompetency and corruption in places high and low. And this gratifying interest on the part of our young men cannot be interpreted but as good and hopeful.

"Pretty."—Who were the parents of Henry the second?

Wood—Matilda and Henry the fifth.

"Pretty."—Mr. Lonsdale, what became of the young Prince Edward?

Lonsdale.—To all intents and purposes he became the preponderant ruler.

In Parliamentary Law: Prex.—What is an incidental motion?

Hicok.—Why, it's a motion that helps out—

Prex.—No. What does *incidere* mean?

Hicok.—Why, er—ah—something inside—a—er—a—

(Chorus of horse-laugh.)

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ever struck Clinton during the period of our college days. And yet there was actually a man in the hall after the play who was cursing the students roundly for expressing their views upon what he was pleased to consider a "good show." As it was, the students are to be commended for restraining their just and natural desire to manifest their disapproval more heartily, out of consideration for those members of the troupe who appeared in the female parts.

The bills announced a specialty in the shape of "Illustrated Songs, by A. H. Carter." The illustrations were all right, but the singing of those old stand-bys, "The Blue and the Gray" and "My Little Georgia Rose" was so wheezy, out-of-time-and-tune that the students good-naturedly helped out the soloist on the chorus, and incidentally threw in a few fezzos at appropriate intervals, and some of the audience in the back part of the house registered, thru the burly constable, a kick at the proceeding; why, no one seemed able to understand. Most of the college men found their artistic sense so offended that they left before the last two acts could complete their disgust.

It is a pity that good shows can't visit this burgh once in a while, just to give the students a chance to show how they can appreciate a good show and a good play.

—"Pretty" startles the junior class by saying that he hates the word "pious."

—*On dit*: That Dick Drummond is to take the stump for Bryan.

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Greek in German Schools.

Beginning on the 6th of June of this year an important conference was held at Berlin upon the reform of higher instruction. It was presided over by the Minister of Instruction. The following important resolution was almost unanimously carried, viz.: That the graduates of all high schools that have a nine-year course shall be admitted to the universities on an equal footing. By "high school" is meant the "Gymnasium," the "Real-Gymnasium" and the "Oberrealschule."

The courses in these institutions, as reorganized in 1890 and 1892 are not to be changed. In the "Gymnasium" English and Hebrew are optional. Its backbone is the old classical course with Greek, Latin and mathematics. In the "Real-Gymnasium" no Greek is taught, the same amount of Latin as in the "Gymnasium," and English and French are obligatory. The "Oberrealschule" teaches neither Greek nor Latin. Hitherto only Gymnasium graduates were admitted to all the faculties of the university, the Real-Gymnasium graduates only to the courses in Natural Science, Mathematics and Modern Philology; the Oberrealschule graduates were not admitted at all. The University is to provide preparatory instruction in a subject which a student may lack for his specialty after he has entered.

This is a very radical step in advance for Germany. It will hush forever the strife over Greek. Greek will not be driven into a corner, much less out of the Gymnasium, but its possessors will no longer have the exclusive rights of going to the University. It should be kept in mind that the high or intermediate schools mentioned carry the student about as far as the end of sophomore year in the average American college. According to the last census there were in the German empire 434 Gymnasias, 130 Real-Gymnasias, and 33 Oberrealschulen.

—Chauncey M. Depew, alias C. G. Tennant, has recently developed an abnormal propensity for making puns. We caution the student-body to beware of "Chaunce" and his witticisms.

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Trains arrive at Clinton from Utica, 8:30 a. m., 12:40 p. m., 5:24 p. m., 11:50 p. m. From Rome, 8:20 a. m., 5:10 p. m. From South, 7:50 a. m., 11:20 a. m., 2:40 p. m., 6:25 p. m.

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Mail leaves the Hill at the convenience of the Carrier, and comes up after the Carrier gets down.

F. E. PAYNE, P. M.

College Notes.

—Blakely, '03, has been elected captain of his class track team.

—Dr. and Mrs. Stryker give a reception to part of the freshman class Friday evening.

—Monday the freshmen got a "cut" from Prex. and were at a loss as to how they should act.

—Nelse Drummond's arm is improving, and he is expected to be able to get in the game soon.

—Gilbert has left college for a few days, overwork and ill health having necessitated a brief rest.

—"Capt." Davis was heard to ask "Uncle" John if it would be possible for him to enter every event field day.

—Lambert, '03, has come to the conclusion that it's a pretty big chump who gets caught twice at the same trick.

—"Square" has informed the freshman class that as soon as they begin to cut reviews their ears commence to grow.

—Over half the college was present at the show Monday night in the Clinton opera house. Criticism of the play will be reserved.

—The new college catalogs appeared in chapel last Wednesday morning. Aside from the inflammatory covers, not many changes are evident.

—J. W. Currie has announced himself a Democrat. McLaughlin declares himself for that party which will pay

his way home to vote. Spohr, it is rumored, holds himself similarly.

—"Nick" has kindly consented to give the sophs a formal review on Friday. He thinks there is too much "cutting." The class have also to "bohn" for a review in "Dutch" on Monday.

—A McKinley and Roosevelt Club has been organized among the Republican students, and a mass meeting was held in the chapel Thursday night. A full account will follow in next week's issue of LIFE.

—Warren Mac. has been temporarily appointed on the campus faculty. His duty so far has been the proper distribution of the college catalog. It is said that "Brick" and "Pete" are righteously indignant over the appointment.

—Captain Stowell is very much annoyed at the conflict between the date of the national election and football practice on that afternoon. At present writing he is contemplating the advisability of securing a postponement of the election.

—There was more or less scurrying at the football game Monday. The players did not afford sufficient excitement. Several times a row seemed imminent. After the game there was a slight clash between the classes, the sophs, of course, coming out ahead.

—The questions for senior debate have been announced three weeks ahead of time: Oct. 17, "The respective merits of the candidacies of Odell and Stanchfield"; Oct. 24, "The questions at issue in the present national campaign"; Oct. 31, "Was Thomas Jefferson a Democrat?"

—In a recent issue of LIFE appeared a notice stating that "Deke" Taylor was stumping Oswego county for Bryan and Stevenson. We have since found out that our correspondent was misinformed and associated our "Deke's" name with the wrong political party. A thousand apologies to "Deke."

—On Wednesday afternoon the "scrub," with 'Varsity backs, scored two touchdowns against the regular team. Good work, "scrub," keep it up; upon you lies the responsibility of making the 'Varsity strong. Make them hustle every day. The college

appreciates your good work and is proud of you.

—One of LIFE's editors, Mr. Harry Mintz, has been winning distinguished political honors down in Broome county. In an oratorical competition held under the auspices of the Broome County Republican Club of First Voters to select the chairman of a great political mass meeting that came off last night, he easily secured the appointment. Mr. Mintz left for Binghamton yesterday to preside over this meeting. His talents in the line of political oratory are well known, and we have no doubts regarding his ability to represent Hamilton and Hamilton's great department.

Intercollegiate Notes.

—The gifts to Harvard for 1898-99, as announced by its treasurer, amounted to more than a million and a half dollars.

—Yale Law School has adopted the honor system and all examination papers will be turned over to the students without the presence of professors.

—Lehigh opens with a membership of 475, and an entering class of 165 students. The total enrollment is an increase of 60 over that of last year.

—Prof. D. A. Kent, of Iowa State Agricultural College, has been appointed by the Sultan instructor in farming for the Turkish government.

—Most of the larger institutions have opened the college year with an increased freshman membership. Cornell's entering class numbers 650; Harvard's 700, and Princeton's 375.

—A new fraternity to which students in chemistry alone are eligible has been established at the University of Illinois. It is known as Phi Lambda Upsilon and has six charter members.

—The football captains of the leading colleges this season are: Starbuck, Cornell; Hare, Pennsylvania; Brown, Yale; Pell, Princeton; Daly, Harvard; Simons, Columbia; Seneca, Indians; Smith, West Point; Speed, Chicago; Dodd, Wesleyan; Simmons, Williams; Fowler, Annapolis; Ballentine, Amherst; Washburn, Brown; Chalmers, Lafayette.

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which, in fact, it did. The game started off with fast, hard, snappy play on both sides, but the defensive play loosened up later on. Of course the ball was wet and slippery, but notwithstanding, there was an almost undue amount of fumbling which was, however, due in part to the difficulty in getting the ball from center.

Our team work on the offensive was for the most part satisfactory, with the exception of excessive fumbling. The interference ran in a close compact mass around the end and as a rule the opposing end was well taken care of. Holes were opened in the opposing line thru which locomotives might have wheeled their way.

On the defense the team's work was at times irregular, and Hamilton seemed uncertain of herself and the probable whereabouts of the men who played against her. On the whole, however, the defense was stable, and altho the center was occasionally not so impervious to the onslaught of the opponent's backs as of yore, yet they ground some of the plays into grist.

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