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## Colgate 45, Hamilton 13.

Hamilton's basket-ball team journeyed to Colgate last Saturday night, and in a desperately played game, was defeated by a score of $45^{-13}$. The game was fiercely played throughout, Hamilton's desperate defence going down eventually before the determined onslaught of the Colgate giants. The game was far from being a clean one, Colgate, particularly, being the offender-Hamilton was outclassed. The Colgate team passed accurately and swiftly, and Stringer and their famous freshman forward, Runge, always being on hand when called on for a try at the basket, they rapidly ran up the score. Peet was a tower of strength for Hamilton. His work was of the gilt-edge variety, and a long clean shot of his in the first half evoked much applause from the big crowd present. For Colgate, Runge and Stringer seemed to excel. G. O. Tamblyn injured his foot in the first half, and was obliged to retire. The game itself, after the first few minutes, resolved itself into a sort of a free-for-all running and pushing match. The team came back the next morning on the "Daybreak Limited."
Hamilton (13) Colgate (55).
Forwards.
Peet,
S. Sherman. G. O. Tamblyn, (Brooks). Center.
Hunter.
Guards.
Bramley. Mangan, (Capt.) Brigham, (Capt.) A. T. Tamblyn. Baskets-Peet 5, Hunter 1, Mangan I from foul, Runge 9, Stringer 5, Brigham 4, A. T. Tamblyn 3, Brooks 1. Murray, of Colgate, referee; Kirkwood, of Colgate, and A. S. Davis, of Hamilton, um pires. Time of halves, 20 minutes.
-Sand is being piled back of the chemical laboratory. This argues well for the new laboratory which rumor has said we are to have.

## Junior Prom.

The Junior Prom. Committee wishes to inform the public at large that after carefully considering the matter, they have concluded that the college owes it to the patronesses to stop dancing, Junior night, earlier than has been the custom during the last few years. That also, because of this conclusion, dancing on that night will begin at half-past eight sharp. All those not there at that time will miss the first dance.

## Chesterfield Says.

"A man who thinks of living in the great world must be gallant, polite and attentive, to please women. They have more or less influence in all courts; they absolutely stamp every man's character in the beau monde and make it either current, or cry it down and stop it in payments. It is, therefore, absolutely necessary to manage, please and flatter them; and never to discover the least marks of contempt, which is what they never forgive; but in this they are not singular, for it is the same with men; who will much sooner forgive an injustice than an insult."

## Musical Club Concert.

The entertainment by the musical clubs has been decided to be held on Thursday afternoon in College Chapel at three o'clock. This day seems the most expedient, from the fact that the greatest number of guests will be on the Hill at this time. The following program will be rendered: Selection, mandolin club; selection, glee club; recitation, L. J. Ehret '04; solo, G. E. Miller '03; selection, mandolin club; recitation, W. J. Downey '05; solo, D. T. Hawley 05; selection, glee club.
The usual price of admission will be charged. A large attedance is urged by the management.
-Duncan ex-'o6, is attending the Clinton High School.

The Department of Oratory and Elocution.
If there is any one thing that Hamilton College stands for to the outside world, it is its oratory and writing. The K. P. exhibitions have a wide renown for excellence in quality of the orations and manner of delivery. Our competitive prize essays reflect credit to the college in their style and diction. But are we not a little prone to let this work get a wee bit slack? Are we spending quite as much time individually upon it and giving as much care and enthusiasm as we could and ought? After freshman year how many men enter the prize essay competitions? And yet these essays are undoubtedly the very best of mediums through which to learn how to paint accurately and vividly the thoughts which you gather from reading and reflection. Your first attempt may be, and probably is, discouraging. But work consistently done in this department makes each like succeeding task lighter. The errors of the earlier effort but point to places of strength in later productions. Because you do not win the prize, though you know your essay was "the best," it should not discourage or deter you from other attempts. It is said of one of the most prominent of Hamilton's alumni that he was a competitor in every field, but a prize winner in none. "Practice makes perfect" and "stick-to-it-iveness" is more than a virtue. Just so with declamations and orations. The power to express cogently your thoughts and ideas and to deliver them with such force and persuasion that they go home, is the aim of true oratory. This ideal can be gained if you but give consistent effort. There will be no time in your life when you can write and speak to better advantage than right now in your college course, when you have constant criticism and helping advice always on hand to assist and improve your efforts.

What better mark is there of the educated man than the power of correct
and exact expression of thought. The department of elocution and oratory offers you every advantage to improve yourself in speech and letter; the opportunity is yours. You can either let things slide along and write your oration or essay the half hour before it is due, and appear on the chapel stage with a selection half committed, or you can invest good, honest labor in your production and appearance and be a credit to your college and a satisfaction to yourself.

Don't let it be possible for you to taunt yourself in after years with the impotent wish that you had spent more time and labor upon your speech and writing in college. Now that you have come to realize that where you use a Greek quotation once, you express your thoughts in English to others a legion of times, and the way you express those thoughts forms the basis of the judgment the world will make of your knowledge and worth. "Speech is the mirror of the soul; as a man speaks, so is he." Let's keep our mirrors bright so as to reflect well to ourselves and our College.

## Freshmen 15, Clinton H. S. 16.

The game Wednesday beetween the freshmen and Clinton was the hotest fought and most exciting game ever seen in this town. The teams were well matched and the crowd enthusiastic. Clinton started out like a winner; the score of the first half being 5 to 3 in her favor. In the second half the freshmen took a brace and for a time had the lead. Up to the last minute of play the score was a tie, when Clinton won on a foul. The game was very rough and both teams were completely exhausted at the call of time. It would almost be injustice to single out any individual as a star, but Captains Sherman and Risley led their cohorts in valiant style. The freshman line up follows: Forwards, Sherman, (Capt.) and Kelly; Center, Sicard; guards, Bramley and Roosa.

A game between the Colgate and Hamilton freshman teams is comtemplated and should prove and exciting contest.
-A society known as the "Pee-wee Club" has been formed at Yale to which no man is eligible for membership who is over four feet six inches in height. At their meetings, papers are read telling of the wonderful deeds which small men have performed.

## The "Math." Dinner.

The math. class was royally entertained last Saturday night by "Dick" Sherman at his home in Utica. It has been the custom for the winners to give the rest of "Nick's" juniors a dinner at the Butterfield; but this year Mrs. Sherman invited the privileged ones to have their jollyfication around her hospitable board. Such an invitation was irresistible, we all went. Did we have a good time? That's a needless question and requires no answer. Ask any "math." man if he ever enjoyed himself more. And the dinner-but what's the use of trying to describe such a glorious "feed." We can never forget it, and even an inadequate portrayal would make the uninitiated jealous of our good fortune.
The dinner was scheduled for six o'clock but the non-appearance of Ed. Carr delayed matters for a time. When Ed. came at last, he showed by a very clever story how "Flix" was to blame for his tardiness. Every one accepted this explanation and we went out to dinner. Here we found in every place appropriate cards with a "shark" drawn under the names. Right here "Dick's" largeheartedness was very evident. He had been impartial in the distribution of the sharks, allowing the three "flunkers" to be honored by them also. Soon the onslaught began. For two hours everyone was busy stowing away the good things placed before him. Whenever the opportunity came, the story-tellers of the class were called on to show their ability.

After dinner we enjoyed ourselves at whist, pool, singing, etc. But the time was flying swiftly. At ten o'clock we bade Mrs. Sherman and "Dick" good night, and the "math" dinner was his-tory-but history to be always held in the memory of every man as a too liberal compensation for all the brain matter and midnight oil wasted on 'Nicks' impossible problem.s

Shark.

## Senior Club.

Delta Upsilon entertained the Senior Club last Monday night. And they did entertain! I'll bet you never got next to a better feed than that one. The evening was mostly serious, from the embarrasment of Sergeant Durk to the explosion of Gibbon's flash powder. You know the fellows are going to have their picture in the Annual. Yes, they're on the straight road, to fame; and besides,
the Hamiltonian is going to be more humorous this year. Did you ever have Gibbon shoot your face? He's more fun than a minstrel show. "Will the gent with the glasses raise his chin a little? The fat man in the front row, look pleas-ant-now, ready, gents!-It won't be a minute. Say, you! draw in your feet. Now steady, gents." And its all over! So is the smoke. As I said before we had a corker of a time. Bunk said he had bought pretty good cigars and he hoped the fellows wouldn't be too free with them. You remember the story of the indiscreet boarder. "Pass the butter Mr. Jones?" "Every time, sir." After that he always got the neck of the chicken. But the cigars were good. It was a great time!

## Chess.

Thursday night a tournament was begun between the College Chess Team and a team from Clinton composed of Messrs. Wheeler, Marsh, F. T. and C. E. Watson. It is arranged that each man shall play one game with each of the opposing team, Messrs. Watson giving knight odds. Dr. S. J. Saunders is official referee. Thursday night Owens lost to Mr. C. E. Watson, Landers lost to Mr. F. T. Watson, Richardson won from Mr. Marsh, Driscol won from Mr. Marsh and Mr. Wheeler.
Two moves of a correspondence game with Rochester have been made.

## In other Colleges.

-Colgate University has heretofore restricted the elective system to juniors and seniors, but the faculty has decided to extend the system through sophomore year also. The only requirements of all men after freshman years are physiology, public speaking and gymnastics. - Utica Press.
-Chicago and Northwestern Universities have combined in engaging the German Theatrical Company, of Milwaukee, the only equal of the Irving Place Theatre in New York City, to produce some of the German classical plays before their students. The first play is Faust I.
-At the University of Pennsylvania the students of the German department played Schillers "Robbers" with great success.
-They say that at Princeton every clergyman's son is put upon a scholarship. This is a "benefit of clergy" that has attracted several sons of Hamilton.
－A very close game of basket－ball resulted when Clinton High School met the freshman at Society Hall on Wed－ nesday evening．The final score was $15-15$ ，the game being won by the team of the High School．
－The four up－state charges of Theta Delta Chi will give a banquet at Geneva this evening．The Psi charge at Ham－ ilton will be represented by Harper， Putnam＇o3，Bristol，Edgerton，Ehret， McGaffin＇o4，and Dean＇05．
－The stained glass windows for the Commons have arrived and are being put into the casements．The interior work is now done and the floor is to be laid next．This will be made of the same material as the aisles in the Chapel．
－If the members of the faculty would open their hearts and give us a few cuts next week it would be much appreciated． There is only one dance week in the year while college is in session．Let the faculty help us to entertain our guests．

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## EVERYONE'S OPPORTUNITY.

There was a little talk the other day between the editors of Lit. and Life about the trials of "getting copy." Of course an editor does not expect to sit back in an arm chair and wait for others to write the columns of his publication. He and his staff must produce much of the material themselves. Indeed it is easier to write the whole issue than to go around and tug at a dozen fellows for poems and stories and college opinions; but a paper so witten is unsatisfactory to the editors because it is distasteful to the readers. You know which you would rather read, a two-column basket ball game, or one column of the game and the other a contributed opinion of some college policy, a chapel essay or a good short story or bit of college verse. Then why not write? You read the other fellow's contribution; let him read something from you. If only you would think about it! Here is an opportunity to try yourself in all degrees of prose and verse, to find your best style and to train yourself in it. Many universities give a course designed to present just such an opportunity, and it is justly popular for the students realize the deep satisfaction that rests in being able to write one's thoughts in good, clear and concise English. Then from another view. Every man likes to feel that he is a factor in college life. The large majority cannot make 'varsity teams, they are comparatively but few who can make a musical club; but they are a very small minority who cannot write something worthy of their college publications. Now when you hand in your first article to either Lit. or Life, you may recall this statement: that we write this editorial not that our work may be lighter but that it may better please the college, and also that we may open for you a new interest.

## ABOUT YOUR CRITIC.

It is a mistake for us to look at all criticism as destructive, and especially to regard in this light the suggestions made by our fellow students. Frequently Life publishes articles criticising some man in the student body or some feature of student life. And immediately comes back the answer "knocking again." The slang phrase "knocking" is well applied only to destructive criticism, and we are sorry that anyone has thought Life capable of this. To be sure there appeared in our columns signed articles in which personality has been indulged to a vulgar extent; yet such articles have appeared over a signature and for them we are not responsible. But even these, we are assured by the men against whom they were directed, have contained helpful suggestions and have been appreciated at their true value. It is a mistake for any man in college to think that because he is the subject of such criticism that his enemies are at work to undo him. He should sift the good out of it and profit by it. For instance, if the captain of a college team finds in Life a suggestion as to how he might strengthen his team he should look at it as a suggestion and value it as such. It is not a sign that some other man thinks himself more capable than the captain; for like as not the critic himself would be utterly incompetent to do any good for the team except in so far as his criticism might be good. The ignorance of critics is proverbial. Your critic may know absolutely nothing about the subject of which he is speaking. Neither did Newton know about the law of gravity until he saw the apple fall. He stumbled on a great truth and so may your critic.
So we ask the College not to take criticism bitterly. It is well intended and in nearly every instance contains some truth which acted upon would strengthen the man criticised.

Someone has suggested that whenever the fellows sing "Carrissima," they do so standing and never sitting. The idea is a good one and worthy to be followed. This is done at many colleges and especially at Cornell, where after every athletic game and at the large dances, too, the fellows stand and with heads uncovered sing their "Alma Mater." To do this adds dignity to the song and shows more respect for the college. Hereafter when we sing our own college song, let's stand at least.

## OURS TO COMPLIMENT:

An article in our columns this week suggests that the musicale in chapel, Thursday afternoon, be free to the college. The motive of course is not the saving of the small admission fee, but the opportunity for the manager to compliment the fellows. Now it seems to us that the compliment should go the other way. The clubs have worked hard, and have been at great expense to make this season the musical success that it is. The college is only too willing to show its appreciation of their efforts. And why should we make of the musical clubs a request that we should not expect from any athletic department ?

## President Eliot Says:

In his annual report President Eliot of Harvard says:
"The highly educated part of the American people does not increase the population at all, but on the contrary fails to reproduce itself. It is probable that the regrettable result is due in part to the late postponement of marriage on the part of educated young men, a postponement which the protracted education now prescribed for men who enter the learned and scientific professions makes almost unavoidable."
Of athletic sports in general, President Eliott says that there is increasing objection to their great exaggeration.
He also emphasizes Harvard's policy as being one of determined support to he requirement of a bachelor's degree. or its equivalent, for admission to the professional schools, as now in force in the departments of theology, law and medicine at Harvard, and to an even higher standard than has hitherto been set for the degree of A. B.

## Musical Trips.

Too much blame should not be laid to the manager of the musical clubs in that he has not had many dates so far this season. The musical clubs have worked hard and desire the trip, but as there are only three days excuse allowed by the faculty, he is trying to make the best possible trip for these days. He has also encountered hard luck by the cancellation of some dates. A trip was planned for Oneida, but was later cancelled. The manager is now negotiating with Auburn and Geneva in hopes of arranging a trip.

## A Suggestion.

On next Thursday afternoon the Glee and Instrumental Clubs will give a concert in the Chapel. This entertainment is especially planned for our guests of Prom. Week. It is understood about college that an admission fee is to be charged.
At present the management of the clubs has the entire receipts of the Clinton concert in the treasury. There is no plausible reason why any admission should be required at this time, when the affair is to incur no great expense beyond the printing of programs. Last year such a cause was quite expedient. Now, however, the clubs are on a sound basis and the exacting of any stipulated amount from those who on account of our guests will be obliged to attend is not reasonable. Why can we not play the part of host thoroughly, extend this concert to the friends of the college gratis, and reap only the satisfaction of pleasing those who visit Hamilton?

## Freshmen vs. Waterville.

Last Friday the freshman basket-ball team journeyed to Waterville where they took the Y. M. C. A. team into camp by the large score of 20 to II. A number of rooters accompanied the team which made the trip highly enjoyable. After the game everybody attended the dance which was in progress and there passed pleasantly the hours remaining before the ride home. The game itself was hard and rough on account of the cubby-hole in which it was played, but nevertheless the freshmen showed great promise for their first game. The following was the line up: Forwards, Sherman, (Capt.) and Le Munyan; center, Sicard; guards, Hosmer and Roosa.

## "Gym." Show.

We can't repeat too often or express too forcibly the duties that are about to come on us in making our Utica gym. show a big success. A few words suggested to our Utica friends who are on the Hill during the coming week may prove a novel means of advertisement. The first show will be held in the gymaasium on February the twenty-fifth, which really is but a preliminary to our big exhibition. After dance week is over and the fond $r$ memberance of Junior week fades into the past, let us all get busy and do our best to make the gym. show and musical entertainment one of the laurels of Hamilton.

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## College Notes.

-The Junior begins at 8:30 sharp!
-Barnes '03, is in New York on business.
-Propitiate old Aeolus to waft us some snow.
-Dickinson '05, spent several days at Saranac Lake last week.
-Hoffman ex-'03 has been on the Hill for the last few days.
-"Bib's" father was a visitor at College during the past week.
-"Prex" and "Square" were invited to make Lincoln speeches.
-Dance week brings many opportunities for the true gentleman.
-Viola Allen will play "The Eternal City" in Utica next Saturday night.
-The Rogers Brothers on College Hill-Messrs. Ehret and Strickland.
-"Prex" delivered an address before the Presbyterian Union in Albany Monday.
-"Pop." Weber '05, asks Prof. Post to take a book over to the library for him.
-If the telephone could speak, it could tell you whether you are a gentleman.
-The convention of Alpha Delta Phi is being held in Montreal during this week.
-Some of the senior debaters are getting up a quiz for the intercollegiate team.
-Easton 'o6, in "Bible" says that Solomon is the strongest man mentioned in the Bible.
-The Lit. board and the freshmen have had their pictures taken by Gibbon the past week.
-The freshmen defeated the Waterville Y. M. C. A. in basketball, by the score of 20-12.
-An extended trip for the musical clubs has been arranged for the Easter vacation week.
-Dean '05, has been absent from College a few days. He has been visiting his parents at Elmira.
-Crawford 'o6, at the Clinton vs. freshman basket-ball game is heard to say "Bohn in, Slimers."
-It was interesting in Wednesday chapel when DeWitt 'o6 reached his critical point and stopped.

- Wardwell ex-'05, was on the Hill for a short time Tuesday night. He expects to return to college next fall.
-Putnam 'o3, attended the meeting of the trustees of Psi charge of Theta Delta Chi in Albany Monday.
-"Uncle John" tells Speh to do a handstand on his stomach. It would take a contortionist to do that.
-The most humerous man in this region was the man who originated that sign: "Don't wait! Travel by trolley?"
-By over one half of the men in chapel, neither the Bible nor the announcement of the hymns can be heard. -Brandt 'o4, is recovering rapidly from his recent attack of pneumonia and will be back in college in a short time.
-DeWitt 'o6, appeared in Chapel Wednesday with a declamation which has made its appearance almost every years.
-A rumor has it that Mr. Bennett, who had classes here a few weeks ago in sleight of hand tricks, has been arrested for forging a check.
-The baseball game with Hobart, which is to be played at Clinton, is scheduled for May II, the same date as the Interclass Field Day.
-Jenks '05, in addition to his laundry work will hereafter take clothes to press. This will save the fellows the trouble of taking them down to the village.
-O'Neil who coached the Colgate football team last season will coach the Williams team next year. Colgate will undoubtedly be very sorry to lose him.
-The following books have been added to the Fiction Club: "Cealia," by Crawford; "The Blazed Trail," by White; "The Shadow of the Czar," by Carling; and "The Benchman,' by Luther.
-Lot's doing this week, with basketball games, chess tournaments, coasting parties and clubs. The old Hill is bestirring itself for the function of next week.
-A few underclassmen were the only representatives at Colgate, besides the team and officials, at the basket ball game last Saturday. Very little cheering is reported.
-The hall of North college, due to some lofty sentiments of some brilliant mind scrawled upon the plaster, resembles a poor prep. school rather than a college dormitory.
-Dr. Hoyt's spledid talk at the Y. M. C. A. last Sunday was keenly appreciated by those who heard him. Dr. Hoyt was formerly professor of rhetoric and oratory at Hamilton.
-"Bugs" was explaining in physiology that intense study tends to draw the blood to the head, leaving the feet cold. Ferris 'o6 remarked that he was never troubled with cold feet from that cause.
-At the meeting of the "Lit. Club." tonight, Carter 'o3 will read a paper on character in Thomas Hardy's novels. Hawley ' 02 will sing selections from Shakespearian songs set to contemporanious airs.
-The chess match with Messers Watson, Wheeler and Marsh, which was placed for one week ago, was posponed until last Thursday. Landers, Richardson, Owens and Driscoll represented the college.
-At the Prom. one of the leading features is the usual sing which is held during the intermission. Under no means let us forget this but let every man of us get together and entertain our guests in a lively way.
-President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton has settled the two-year college course proposition. He said: "I cannot imagine how anybody who ever saw a sophomore would think of graduating him."-Ex.
-The funeral of Dr. E. E. Woolworth '93, who was killed in a runaway accident a few days ago was held at his home in Clinton on Monday afternoon. Several members of the faculty and of the student body were present at the service.
-In the report of the game which the freshman basket-ball team played in Waterville the Utica Press speaks of Hamilton College defeating Waterville. When class teams play it should be distinctly understood by rival teams that they are class teams.


## Y. M. C. A.

Prof. A. A. Hopkins, Ph. D., one of the first authorities on the liquor question, is to lecture in the village during next week and will address the meeting at 4 p. m. tomorrow. From the viewpoint of economics he has written several books. It will pay any interested in this great subject to attend.

The reception of the Y. M. C. A. planned for Prom. Week will come Wednesday afternoon.

The annual election of officers, due early in March, will soon be here. Be thinking.

## The Orpheum.

The bill which has been presented at the Orpheum this week has been singularly free from any censure. In fact it was so good that the most blase theatre goer must admit that he was interested and amused by it. Opening Monday night is another bill which the management say will be equally as good. At any rate its features leave no room for doubt that it will please. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Esmonde in their vaudeville classic, "The Soldier of Propville," are new to Uticans, but will be a hit. Harding and Ah Sid, two of the best allround acrobats in this country, come in their original acrobatic comedy, "Fun in a Chinese Laundry." Weston and Allen in "The Rent Collector" are also due to extract screams of laughter. The six blackbirds, a half dozen of the cleverest mullatoes on the stage; Alf. Holt, the prince of mimics; Mlle. Olive, the dainty juggler; The Carmen Sisters, concert banjoists; and Sidonia, novel slack wire artists, are the others down to amuse next week.

## A FEW LINES

From Jimmy's Pal's last letter to Jimmy By the way! Jamesie, did you get to the Orpheum last week? They had a bully show. I went twice. Got all swelled up and took a gitl once. After the show, (just to show how strong I was,) we went to the Butterfield to supper. She was hungry and felt a bit gone. I suggested a pint of wine. It tasted so good we had another, and, oh, well! I had to pry several five spots off my roll to settle the score, that's all.
If you get time, run down some night next week and I'll take you to see the vaudeville. They're to have Harding \& Ah Sid, the best acrobats in the biz, and other good ones.
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