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Concerning a Junior Prom.

With the advance of fall term comes the necessity of preparing for the hitherto customary Junior Prom. Until last year, when dissension in the ranks of the class of 1901 made impossible the usual class function, no fall term passed without this social event. This year the probability of discord is not worth considering, and unless another plan is urged and persuaded upon the college body, the Junior Prom. will be held.

Now LIFE advocates the postponement of the Junior Prom. until next winter. First of all, the extremely brief interval between the close of football season and the beginning of reviews and examinations makes it almost impossible to select any week that would be convenient for holding the Prom. We can't think of devoting a whole week during either football season or during reviews to the necessary festivities, and such a conflict is inevitable should we decide to hold the dance. The sensible plan is to postpone the Junior until Sophomore Hop week, as was suggested last year.

This is the scheme followed in almost every other college: One whole week of winter term, when all things lean to the success of such an event, when students can better afford the time, when faculty can afford to be more lenient, when fewer things conflict, is devoted to social gaiety. There is no reason why we shouldn't do the same. It would cost individuals, classes and fraternities less time, money and bother, it would render more effective our efforts to entertain our friends.

With two college dances, one on Tuesday night and one on Friday

night, fraternity dances on Wednesday and Thursday nights, presentation of a play by the Dramatic Club and a concert by the Glee and Mandolin Clubs, all of which organizations can be hampered into shape in time, as matinee attractions, what a howling week we could make of it! The fraternities can arrange the matter of receptions with infinitely less cost and confusion than if three occasions were to be planned for during the year. The system of double tickets to the college dances could be adopted by the class committees, and this, given harmonious working of the two classes and a united college behind them, ought to insure freedom from financial loss. And, above all, the individual members of the college would find their burdens, financial and otherwise, greatly lightened, and their chances of enjoyment increased by such an arrangement as we suggest. We could concentrate all our efforts upon the one design of making this week one blaze of glory and showing our friends how well we can run things when we all get together and try hard.

Of course, it is time for the juniors and sophomores to decide this matter; and we venture to present our plan, with the more confidence in that we have heard many speak of it favorably. It seems to us the only proper way to do the thing up brown; and we feel sure that, once decided upon, the plan would result in success.

The Spirit of Hamilton.

It was a source of great satisfaction to all sons of Hamilton to note the leading and conspicuous part taken by one of our alumni, Prof. Duncan C. Lee, '91, head of the department of oratory at Cornell, in the late Democratic convention at Saratoga. Prof.

Lee was a free lance in that assembly, a true Democrat but independent, and with a backbone and the necessary force and ability to give prominence and effectiveness to his courage. His startling action in offering for adoption a resolution denouncing the Ice Trust, that most iniquitous and cruel of combinations, calling for its speedy prosecution and proposing its incorporation as a plank in the party platform, and his throwing the challenge fairly in the teeth of the leaders of his party and owners of that trust, was a move as daring as it was admirable, and has secured throughout the whole state and country, the just and unanimous approval of all who admire courage and strive for decency in politics and honesty in government. Mr. Lee's action was a protest, a revolt against that cowardly blindness in parties which would ignore impunity in politics because it is partisan. A more dramatic incident has never relieved the monotony of a cut-and-dried boss-ridden convention. Prof. Lee's action has contributed more than all other influences combined, to focus public opinion and popular indignation upon this most vicious and criminal corporation. Moreover, it forced the politicians who are at its bottom and brain to the most incongruous and ludicrous attitude of condemning what they were engaged in making the means of public extortion and private enrichment.

Prof. Lee was a member of the class '91 and while at college was considered one of its finest writers and orators. The Clark Prize contest, of which he was one of the representatives, is said to have been one of the best ever held at Hamilton. The *New York Tribune* in its account of the convention

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Athletic Departm't.

N. L. DRUMMOND, Editor.

The Hamilton-Cortland Game.

The game scheduled with Clarkson Institute of Technology for Saturday being cancelled by the Techs., a substitute game was arranged with Cortland Normal. In spite of the drizzling rain there was a fair number present when play was called at 3 p. m. The game opened with Cortland in possession of the ball, Hamilton defending the south goal. Millham carried the kick-off back nearly to the centre of the field and on the very next play Peet punted and putting Hamilton on side allowed Nelse Drummond to fall on the ball for Hamilton's first touchdown. The same play was tried again with equal success, Peet scoring the touchdown. Stowell kicked both goals. Cortland evidently began to think that we were pretty hot stuff and they had no reason to change their opinion. On the next kick-off Millham made a splendid run thru the whole Cortland team and placed the ball behind the goal posts. During the remainder of the half Keogh and Peet, by their punting, kept the ball well in Cortland's territory and by the excellent work of the backs, five more touchdowns were added before time was called. At the end of the half the ball was near Cortland's goal line.

Hamilton kicked off at the beginning of the second half. Cortland was unable to advance the ball and Hamilton gained possession of it on downs. Then followed a series of plays around the ends and thru the line, which carried the ball steadily down the field and added 18 points to the score. Mills and Haskins did good work for Cortland, while such was the excellence of the work done by the whole Hamilton team that it would be impossible to state to whom most credit is due. Following is the line-up:

Cortland, (o) Hamilton, (65).

Mills. Right End.
 Redmond, (Peet).

	Right Tackle.	
Carty.	Stowell, Capt., (Church),	
	Right Guard.	
Persons.		Ward.
	Centre.	
Hall.	Gilbert, (Blakely.)	
	Left Guard,	
Gleason,		Wills.
	Left Tackle.	
Grant.	R. Drummond, (DeVotie.)	
	Left End.	
West, (Wells.)	N. Drummond.	
	Quarter.	
Kelly.	Millham, (T. McLaughlin.)	
	Right Half.	
Moon.	Keogh, (Strickland.)	
	Left Half.	
Haskins, (Byrn.)	Peet, (Naylor.)	
	Full Back.	
Pierce, Capt.	DeVotie, (Keogh.)	

Referee and umpire, Dudley, Hamilton; Davis, Cortland. Timekeepers, Spah, Hamilton; Wells, Cortland. Linesmen, McLaughlin, Hamilton; Doun, Cortland. Halves, 20 and 15 minutes. Touchdowns, N. Drummond, 2, Stowell, 1, Millham, 2, Keogh, 2, Peet, 2, R. Drummond, 2.

Comments on Cortland Game.

The game illustrated capitally the difficulty in which "small college" teams find themselves when regular players are taken out. Where one man and only one man is able and has been accustomed to play one position, the substitution of a new man is always attended by a loss of dash and confidence in the team. So, last Saturday, when the substitute tackles and guard were put in, the team became rather demoralized, and failed to score, notwithstanding Cortland's exhausted condition.

The new men played well. Strickland ran too slowly, but otherwise his playing showed coolness and good judgment. Wills made a good showing at guard. Once or twice a play got thru him, but the remissness was no more his than the tackle's. He followed the ball in fine shape, opened up good holes for Keogh, and did good defensive work. Mangan is evidently one of the best substitute backs. He runs hard, keeps his head well, and

tackles fiercely. Church and DeVotie at the tackles are too slow; but DeVotie at full back did very well. He is not sure on punts, however, and he is not fast enough at starting.

Rymer's system of interference in end runs worked beautifully. We make some gains around the ends this year.

Nelse Drummond is the only man injured in the game. His elbow will keep him out of the business for a short time. Naylor and Tommie McLaughlin are being tried in his place.

Aside from the question of score, the playing of prep-school teams is very unsatisfactory to a college team. There is always so much "chewing" and wrangling between players and with officials. We ought to play as few school teams as we can.

The score, in light of the showing of Syracuse against Cortland Normal and against Cornell, cannot but produce satisfaction to Hamilton. Undoubtedly, if we had played Cornell last Saturday we should have beaten them.

The Freshman-Sophomore Baseball Game.

[WRITTEN BY A SOPHOMORE.]

The sophomore team was early on the field and eager for the fray. The freshmen were rather tardy and delayed the starting of the game. A few weak slimers sat in the shady end of the grandstand awaiting the opening of the battle. At last everything was ready. '03 chose their outs. Dr. Andrews calls play, and the first freshman walks up to the plate. Then did pandemonium reign. The loyal rooters of '03 rent the air with their yells. The freshies held their breaths and tried to look as if they thot they would win. Much faith was placed on the ability of their able captain. Durkee was a little unsteady at first, and '04 soon had three men on bases. This cheered them up somewhat and they found their tongues. But their joyfulness was doomed to be changed to grief, for "Durk" then steadied down and retired the side on strikes.

Davy Peet led off for '03 with a safe hit, and was followed shortly after by

others. At the end of the first inning the score stood 2-0 in favor of '03.

The first half of the second inning was very short. Two freshmen ate air and the third popped out a baby hit to pitcher and was retired at first.

Croft hit the sphere on the nose for one base and stole second, but died there. Durkee pounded it down toward third and reached first on a high throw. Peet rapped out a single, scoring Durkee. Tommy Mac. fans. O Tommy! DeVotie steps up to the plate with a broad grin on his face and looks very much surprised when Strickland gets a strike on him. Peet crosses the rubber with the second run of the inning. Devy is retired on short infield hit.

Bastian again faces the invincible Durkee and secures a base hit, but is soon thrown out while trying to steal second. Knox strikes out, and Ehret follows suit with clubs. Ehret was evidently badly rattled, as he was unable to get a line on the ball, even when it was tossed or rolled to him.

Hunter goes out to short. Arthur reaches first on a hit and third on wild throws. Foreman hits to short and is thrown out at first. Croft hits to centre, scoring Arthur. Cynthia romps around to third on errors. Foreman steals second and Durk. strikes out. '03 adds two more scores to its list.

George Davis opens the fourth inning for '04 with three terrific smashes at the atmosphere and two or three trial trips down the first base line. Remington lines out a puny hit to the infield and retires in favor of Strickland, who reaches first on a hit to left field. Wood failed to connect with Durkee's curves and gave up the ghost.

Peet lines one out thru third which Evans decides is a little hotter than he cares to handle. Davy, how can you be so cruel? Mac. laces out a safe one thru short and Buffalo Bill scores Peet with a drive to right. Tommy scores on Joe Hunter's hit, and Arthur flies out to Bastian.

Bastian fans. Knox takes the tally-ho for first base, but is caught napping between second and third. Ehret again makes a vain attempt and goes out to short.

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THE senior class, in the matter of one of their electives for this year, were imposed on in fine shape. Last year's catalog and published schedule offered a course in "The Laws of Evidence," specifying as the text-book to be used Greenleaf's standard work. Dr. Elkin announced to his class in junior logic that he had been assigned to teach the subject and said that he was wholly unprepared to undertake the course, being no lawyer himself and being unacquainted with the subject matter of the proposed exercise. But under the impression that the course scheduled was what it purported to be a number of the class of 1901 who are intending to study for the legal profession, elected the subject. This year they find that the course is not one of law, but of logic. Dr. Elkin explained that the faculty had interpreted "Laws of Evidence" to be a study of the nature of evidence in general, especially of the laws of inductive logic, and had adopted as text-book Mill's "System of Logic." The course is a good one, but the seniors are in doubt as to whether the joke is on themselves or on the faculty.

WE were gratified to see the way in which the college turned out to support the team last Saturday. While the rainy weather had the effect of keeping the town people away, the college evidently recognized that mackintoshes, old hats and umbrellas are meant for just such things as a drizzly afternoon. For our part, we can't understand how a little rain should deter any man in ordinary health from going to watch a football game. When you

are comfortably protected, don't you enjoy rushing along the side-lines, cheering your dashing, plunging champions on to victory? We do. But aside from the individual, personal pleasure that we cannot conceive any man's not taking in a football game; in view of his duty to the college every man who stays away from one of the games without valid excuse ought to be ashamed of himself. If he isn't, there are others who are ashamed for him: the loyal students of this college know the men who absent themselves from games on the hill, and they are very inquisitive concerning the reasons for such absences. An unsatisfactory explanation results in loss of standing to the men; and it doesn't pay to incur justly or unnecessarily the disfavor of the college.

To the Freshman Class.

IT is in no perfunctory spirit, but rather with a deep conviction of the fact, that we notice here the favorable auspices under which Hamilton opens the college year. The horizon in every direction appears cheerful and aglow and the prospect is one that must appeal to and gladden the heart of her every son and lover. Athletically we are on a most substantial footing, with a thoroughly competent coach, a strong team, and an increasing student enthusiasm that augurs well for athletic support and success this season. In all directions we find evidences of promising growth and improvement and important accessions to our college life. A new Hall of Philosophy, the gift of Judge Truax, already practically completed, will soon be ready for occupancy, and will supplant, with its large and cheerful rooms and superior accommodations, the inadequate and oppressive apartments of Chapel and Old South. But greater and better than all this, as an evidence of progress, as a reason for congratulation, and as a cause of hope for the future, is the addition to the student body of the newly-entered and numerically record-breaking class of 1904. We greet their presence here both as a proof of the widening influence and reputation of Hamilton and as a sug-

gestion of what we may, and a prophecy of what we must become thru the combined and loving labors of those who have at heart the progress of our Alma Mater. We welcome these accessions to our college body and fondly trust that they may become and remain active forces for good in the local and in the larger life of Hamilton. We extend to them the cordial goodwill and best wishes of the students and pray that whether in college or out of it, whether at home or abroad, whether as freshmen or seniors, as students or alumni, they may be stalwart partisans and pillars of their chosen college mistress, ready every moment to fly to her support, to defend and safeguard her good name, to advance her best interests, to vindicate her claims and cherish her memories and by the influence and energy of their active efforts, seek to increase her usefulness and vitality and render her ever and still more a potent force for good in the world. Much depends upon you gentlemen who have just come among us, for four years to share these sacred college joys and to participate in these arduous though pleasant college labors. However noble and famous its faculty, however extensive its renown or rich its endowment, however choice its course or excellent its facilities, or whatever may be the number or quality of its alumni, a college must depend finally and principally upon the character of its student body to give it credit and procure for it success. You gentlemen of 1904 hold in your hearts and your brains the destiny of Hamilton; you can contribute immensely to make it what you will. And remember this, that it is not puerile or sentimental to make college your idol and your ideal, to cherish for it the affection you would for some kindred being, to represent it to yourselves as something animate and vital, to love and to live for. The college man who has passed thru his course and is boastful that college sentiment has kindled in him no fires and left no stamp upon his soul, and who in later years is never stirred by the music of college memories, is either too coldly intellectual ever to be loved or else too mentally

dull or too morally atrophied to be anything but despaired. Love Hamilton, cherish its memories, participate in its activities and work always and unremittingly for its well-being.

The Comic Papers.

There is just cause for a "kick" in regard to the management of our reading room. Besides the fact that the papers and all the literary accessories were tardy in arriving, it is true that some have not yet arrived. Those old favorites, the comics, those balms for many a wound, those consolators for many a distressful hour, ought to adorn the tables regularly every week. In their particular field of service, they are as useful and necessary as the newspapers and magazines. They are indispensable agents for the protection of health and the preservation of spirits in a community where the atmosphere is saturated with study and oppressive with sobriety. They never weary the student's mind with windy and empty discussions on serious subjects, they bring no wrinkles but those of laughter, and no tears but those of joy. They never complain of your short-comings, except humorously, and are never critical and censorious except thru banter. They put you for the time en rapport with yourself and with others, and many a gloom-grooved countenance has buried itself in their pages to come up forgetful of sorrows and fluted with smiles. To the mind-burdened serious senior, whose thoughts are not of earth and whose spiritual gaze is directed constantly toward Heaven, and to the disgruntled, dejected freshman who has troubles of his own, they come, these comics, like the tonic of music, to banish gloom and give wings to care. Their dress may be ragged, their wit a trifle watery and their gait somewhat unsteady, but we always greet them gladly and they, in turn, always clasp our hands and slap our shoulders with the hearty salutation of true fellowship. We would delight to see these jolly friends of ours once more calmly reposing in their accustomed places waiting, like the patient wife for her spouse, at all hours for our coming, but with a smile and not a club.

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College Notes.

—Prof. White compares Croker and St. Paul.

—S. C. Brandt, '89, spent a short time on the hill this week.

—Oratory galore characterized the junior debate of Wednesday.

—It is rumored about that Pete Kelly is a Republican this year.

—Hawley and Warner, '99, appear on the campus at the football game.

—Jones, '03, a promising 'Varsity man, has been elected captain of the scrub.

—Clarkson Institute of Technology team play on the campus Monday afternoon, Oct. 8.

—It is rumored that "Capt." Davis has serious intentions of publishing a treatise on baseball.

—Collins, '04, in Bible recitation condescends to the Prex that perhaps he is right "this time."

—"Tiger" Becker and a freshman try conclusions in the chapel with a Dec. "Tiger" is worsted.

—Fritz Dunn and Tommy Mac were of great assistance in entertaining at the Y. M. C. A. reception.

—"Freak" Hull, '00, who is teaching in Amsterdam, spent Sunday on the hill. He says he has reformed.

—Church, '02, appeared at the theatre in Utica Saturday night arrayed in a dress suit. He looked lonesome.

—There is considerable agitation among Republican enthusiasts over the

formation of a McKinley & Roosevelt Club.

—Prof. Andrews announces to his sophomores that he would like to have them scrape an acquaintance with the dictionary.

—Thursday morning recitations began in the Truax Hall of Philosophy. The pleasures of winter recitations in South are over.

—"Prex" announces in Chapel that the new Hall of Philosophy is completed and recitations begin there Thursday morning.

—"Pretty" thinks that owing to natural imitation it is almost impossible for a man to face the senior class and not yawn. The class has its view of yawns too.

—We notice in a daily of a near-by town that Rev. Charles Gilbert will be unable to preach next Sunday owing to a black eye received while playing football.

—A college meeting was held last Saturday after noon chapel, and football subscriptions were solicited. Three hundred and eighty-seven dollars were secured from the students.

—Bush, '03, is back. The sophomores, feeling good over his return, rush some freshmen down the hill, who in turn attempt to rush the sophs. thru the arbor; but not so.

—The idea of organizing musical clubs fall term is a good thing and should be pushed. There is no reason why, with the material at present in college, they should not be successful.

—"Ducking" has been the excitement about North this week; judging from the manner in which sophomores and freshmen emerge from the doorways, a free bath is not always desirable.

—Ferguson, '04, found a watch on the street for which a Houghtonite offered a reward of five dollars. But, sad to relate, when the watch was returned the money was nowhere to be seen.

—After Wednesday noon chapel about 20 men interested in forming a mandolin, guitar and banjo club, and a glee club, remained, and plans are

under way for an exhibition during junior and sophomore week.

—Work in the Gym. is progressing even better than the most sanguine predicted. Every member of the freshman class takes an interest in the exercise as conducted by "Uncle John," and thereby derives great benefit from it.

—An old land-mark is gone in the very large hickory tree that stood near the lower walk to the Library. It was not the victim of Brick's axe, but was swept down by the tail of the Galveston hurricane that struck this region on September 11th.

—Wednesday morning the seniors held their last recitation in South college. Moved by the persuasive eloquence of Catlin, "Elkie" celebrated the event by a semi-cut. In behalf of the class, Stryker delivered a touching farewell to the old building.

—Tuesday the scrub scored on the 'Varsity for the first time. Never has such good spirit been shown by a scrub. It takes nerve to get out and be kicked around by the 'Varsity, particularly when a fellow knows he stands no show of making the team. The fellows should appreciate this fact more fully and encourage the men by their presence on the field afternoons.

—Lee, '00, and Cookinham, '00, will stump the state for the Republicans; Taylor, '00, is stumping Oswego county for Bryan & Stevenson. We would like to wish that each might bring success to his party, but as such a thing as this is impossible, we wish that each may so serve his party that Old Hamilton's speakers will always be in demand. Perchance if the call for them becomes strong enough some of the less favored of her children may at last find a place where they can pour fourth their oratorical phrases on an unsuspecting mass of voters.

Notes in Season.

Hinds & Noble, of New York, who heretofore have handled as American agents, Mackenzie's Manual of Ethics and Stout's Manual of Psychology, introducing them into the great majority of American and Canadian colleges and universities, have now purchased outright the American rights in those two important works and hereafter will themselves publish them in the United States.

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Morris receives a pass. Croft hits safely. Foreman succumbs to the prowess of Strickland. Morris scores on Durk's safe drive to left. Peet walks. Tommy hits thru short, bringing in Durkee and Peet, and scores on wild throws. Davy closes the performance with a short fly to White, leaving the score 12 to 0, in favor of '03.

The game was especially noted for the lack of fine plays by the freshman captain, for the poor stick-work of the whole freshman team, and for their rural tendency to play the role of fence stakes in the field. Bastian and White played a good, steady game for '04, but the others were far from brilliant. The sophomore team were not forced to exert themselves, but played consistent ball. Durkee had '04 under his thumb and did as he pleased with them. Following is the line-up of the team;

'03.		'04.			
Peet, c.		Bastian, s. s.			
T. MacLaughlin, s. s.		Knox, c.			
(Capt.)		Ehret, rb.			
Hunter, rb.		Davis, l. f. (Capt.)			
Arthur, 3b.		Remington, 2b.			
DeVotie, 2b.		Evans, c. f. & gb.			
Morris, l. f.		White, 3b.			
Croft, c. f.		Strickland, p.			
Foreman, r. f.		Wood, r. f.			
Durkee, p.		Sisson, c. f.			
		White, r. f.			

	1	2	3	4	5
'03—2	2	2	2	2	4—12
'04—0	0	0	0	0	0—0

Umpire—Dr. Andrews.

—Ex-President Cleveland has been engaged by Princeton as one of its lecturers.

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described Prof. Lee as a speaker of much force and fluency, and all reports agree that his auditory was as much impressed by his ability as it was astonished and delighted by his fearlessness. Politicians may forget but the people always remember and often reward. Prof. Lee may find himself some day forcing a flood of popular enthusiasm in which are buried both partisan clamors and party principles and prejudices.

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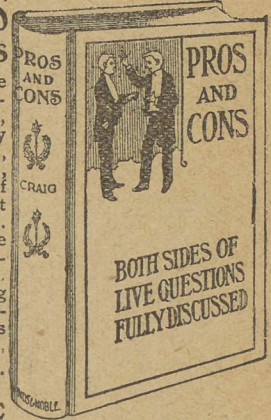
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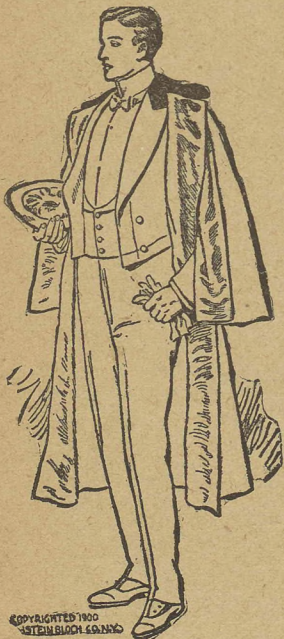


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