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To the Freshman Class.

It is in no boastful or perfunctory spirit that we notice here the favorable auspices under which Hamilton opens the college year. It must appeal to and gladden the heart of her every son and lover. Athletically we are strong, with a thoroly competent coach, a strong team and a good healthy enthusiasm that augurs well for success this season. We greet the men of 1905 as a proof of the widening influence and reputation of Hamilton. We welcome these accesssions to our rank and we fondly hope and firmly trust that they may become and remain active forces for good in the life of Hamilton College. We give them our cordial good will and friendship, and we fervently pray that, whether in college or out, whether at their home or abroad, they may be stalwart pillars of their chosen college, ready to support and defend her good name, to advance her best interests, vindicate her claims and cherish her memories.

Much depends upon you who come among us to spend four years within these sacred college halls, to share our joys and to participate in these arduous tho pleasant college labors. No matter how rich the endowment, how well known the faculty, the college must depend principally upon the character of its student body to give it influence and procure its success.

The college is yours to love and respect. Grasp it firmly and it will give you its heart. Be courageous, be genial, be manly; love Hamilton; love its past and cherish its future.

Painting and Row.

The night immediately prior to the opening day of college and curriculum was made hoarse and hideous by the livered and delivered slogans of militant fierce sophomores. From their cant and cry one would have adjudged them ravenous for raw meat. Those residents

ing with indifferent success to derive some comfort and care solvent from cradled slumbers were set at variance with every whim of Morpheus. They could only surmise and conjecture as to the nature and extent of proceedings without, but their divination ran along the lines of accuracy.

In the glow and gloam of the gray morn the odors of dew and dawn were assorted perhaps ill, yet blent with those emanating from the pools of paint with which every accessible spot was plastered. Walks merged with the verdure of our campus carpet. Old South looked quite reproachable in its untoward rejuvenation. Posts, stones and all phenomenal nature sites were daubed and dirtied. It was a scene of paint and portraiture quite crudely picturesque.

It needed no prophetic insight to aver that the slopped succulence would occasion a fierce friction between the rival classes on the appointed hour. Soon up the hill trudged sophomores, expectant of their fun and feast of folly. Stationed in front of Chapel, commanding all the accesses and approaches they awaited the arrival of protected novitiates and complaisantly escorted them with many a ribald greeting and a bantered barn. Some of the freshmen were green of trees, cuticle and array. Color was preponderant. It was a motley mob and a more motley multitude to

During Chapel one could detect the furtive, fleeting glances of the affrighted freshmen in their dread. The sophs seemed not over anticipative either. After exercises were over the classes trooped out and scarcely had the sophomores assumed a position of defense when the horde of freshmen burst upon them with a sweep and spirit at once commendable and zest imparting. For a moment limbs became indiscriminate and undeterminate. Dust mingled with the conjecturally dead. The crowd ravenous for raw meat. Those residents on hill and campus who were endeavor- hive of bees. Officious upper classmen hill and campus who were endeavor-

were inadvertently seated on the sod by some participant conforming to the laws of gravitation. As usual the scrimmage worked along the direction of the fountain, which strange to say, had been emptied of its cleansing properties. The scuffle continued here for some time and the wrestling matches were declared These furnished a considerable portion of pleasure. As a rule they were well-wrought and stubbornly fought, no participant having any decided advantage over his opponent. Jenks, '05, was thrown after a sharp tussle by Dowling, '04. Minor, '04, cleverly couched Speh, '05, on the bosom of flat mother earth. Carter, '04, dumped Franz, '05, in neat style. After this events of events the races were declared on and both classes proceeded to garner grass for missile purposes. Ehret, '04, emerged from the vegetable sea ahead of his rival. Davis, '04, sped along the lines athwart the grass "thrown" at him and bested the elongated freshman who competed for a glory and a glare.

Next were announced the tugs of war. These trials of traction were somewhat phenomenal, at least exceptional. The sophomores won the general tug, pulling their opponents off their feet and feed, but on the select tug of ten men on a side the freshmen out-exerted their rivals and pulled the point to victory.

With a few more minor contests of more demerit than of merit the row was declared off. The squabble on the whole was of an inferior sort. Neither side seemed so imbued with the proper spirit as of vore and former classes, vet it was not a poor one. It gave good interest and excitement to the spectator at certain junctures and so 'tis said and so decreed.

The row medal was awarded the sophomores. Protection was declared on and all went their devious and varied ways, awaiting developments assured and inevitable.

U. F. A. vs. Hamilton,

The first game of the season was played on Steuben Field last Saturday. There was a good attendance, although the crowd failed to show much animation in cheering and in encouraging the team. The yelling was ragged and by no means worthy of a great deal of commendation. The team showed some weak points which need patching up. Capt. Drummond, Ward, Blakeley, Wills and Peet played their old-time game. Naylor took Redmond's place at right end and shows much promise in that position. He tackles fiercely and in time can be relied upon to take care of his part of the game. Gilbert was in a new position for him, and while his work was not faultless, is worthy of much commendation. Lambert did well, but needs more experience. He needs hard sience. work and much practice. He shows promise. DeVotie made good plays but was too slow in getting away on punts. He needs more fire and aggressiveness. Tommy at quarter did good work in running the team and made some pretty tackles. Mangan, though he ran well, did not keep in the interference as he should. He also needs more practice. The result was by no means discouraging. Another week will show great improvement both in and behind the line.

The line-up was as follows:

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Peet	McGinty
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Ward	Hemmens
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Wills	England

Time of halves, 15 minutes; umpire, Dr. R. B. Dudley; referee, Mr. Aldridge; linemen, Mr. Williams for Utica, Mr. Collins for Hamilton; timers, Mr. Day for Utica, Mr. McLaughlin for Hamilton.

The Opening of College.

To the initial arrivals on college scenes and campus the latter presented varied and altered aspects. Primarily, the carpet of the college seemed of a more brilliant verdure than ever before. The views and vistas were far more spectacular and picturesque in their simple, yet grand scenic beauty. In short we all were glad with a glee and gladsomeness that we had again returned to the old familiar hillside and its endeared associations

As the casual eye cast its vision over the precincts the gaze was arrested by the appearances of progress and improvement. Water had been piped from the general reservoirs to the Alpha Delt hall. This blots the beauty of the levelled lawn, but only for a time of transience

The first arrivals were of classes vicarious and indifferent. Ordinarily, it would be supposed that the candidates for football fame would present their presence at the initial hour, but on reaching their destination they found the prominence preempted and themselves forestalled. There was a motley massed crew on hand, having made compacts with certain instructors to petition, sue and perchance secure new leases on collegiate and curriculum life. These two classes predominated, yet it may be intimated to our sometime sorrow, yet now relief, that the two castes in cases were aggrievedly and grievously amalgamated. Such federations foster feeble feeling in the ranks of football rampants.

The misunderstanding relative to opening and entrance day confounded the return of many. The anomalous conditions were responsible for premature comings and consequently more leisurely and comfortable awaitings. Yet the knowledge of the President's approaching burial cast a gloom and an array of sorrow on the residents. These circumstances naturally occasioned alterations in the calculations of ambitious sophs and timid freshmen.

By Wednesday night all were in house and hovel. Freshmen were being corralled and the plans for the row deferred until Friday morning were being decisively discussed.

—deRegt has finally found a means by which he can save many a poor fellow from a ducking during the rows, namely by cutting off the water supply from the fountain.

The Hand Book.

One of the most convenient and instructive hand books that was ever published by the Y. M. C. A. was given out in Chapel on last Thursday morning. Besides the many interesting facts that had usually filled the pages there were many new features. The arrangement of the material was altogether changed by bringing the important pages, such as the schedule leaves, college calendar, etc., to the front of the book. The new features consisted in three colored page illustrations of familiar scenes on the campus, a page devoted to college yells printed in color which brot them prominently before the eyes of new men, also something entirely new was the printing of three Hamilton songs. The indoor athletic records were published, which will help to give a stimulus to this winter sport and also the football schedule appeared for the first time. We can only say that the hand book is the height of success, and commendation and thanks are due to the committee which had charge of publishing and distributing it.

The University of Wisconsin.

The most important feature of recent educational progress has been the advance of western colleges and universities. Most of these, being state institutions, were at first objects of polital intrigue and were controlled by demagogues. Their work was superficial; their student body of inadequate preparation; their boast of mere bigness.

The University of Michigan was the first to throw off purely political influence; establish thoro as well as broad courses of instruction; gather an able corps of instructors and fix a proper standard of admission. Other institutions have followed.

The University of Wisconsin is one that is now in the front rank of American colleges. Its location, at Madison, the capitol of Wisconsin, a small but very beautiful city in one of the most charming regions of the continent, is advantageous. The state legislature has been able to see the working of the institution and learn properly its needs. The leaders of opinion from all parts of the state coming to the capitol have brot to the University authorities the wishes of the people and have carried back to their homes an intelligent interest in the work of the school.

Hamilton College should have an interest in this work. For many years the Hon. Breese J. Stevens, of '53, has been one of the Regents of the University, and as the local member of the board has had a large share in the advance of the work.

The university has been, as should be, -a growth-governed by the evident needs of its constituency and the resources at command. There has been no forced expansion: no outlay of money beyond available means. The buildings of the university erected on rising ground just without the well-built city streets, form three sides of a quadrilateral. They are well built, of excellent design. The effect is destroyed by a ridge of earth which occupies the middle of the campus, shutting off any complete view. There was an intention to properly grade the campus. But the great hump of earth is a "moraine"; and some one in authority prevented its removal. A "moraine" is fine geologically; but the middle of a college campus is not a good place for one. At the University of Wisconsin, the "moraine" -of interest only to geologists and by no means of rare occurrence-shuts off, every day, the dignified influence of the aggregate forces of a great institution. Other arguments may properly induce the youth of Wisconsin to come East to college, the facilities for instruction and appliances for experiment are ample in their own university.

OREN ROOT, '56.

Coach Rymer.

The college is exceedingly fortunate in having again secured the services of Coach Rymer for another season. He is just the man it wants, and the one whom it can trust to bring out the material to the best advantage. The salary is a meagre pittance and the fact that Mr. Rymer returns again is a compliment to the college and it ought to show its appreciation to the fullest extent. Not only as a coach have we learned to respect his views, but also as a man and fellow-worker. Already he seems to us to be a part of the college, and were it possible we would keep him right here on this old hillside because we love and honor him. So, here's to Rymer, the best of coaches and the jolliest of fellows.

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LIFE congratulates the college on the auspicious beginning of the new year. With nearly all the old men back and a good freshman class, Hamilton ought to hold its own. LIFE will continue to uphold and maintain the policy set by our predecessors, and to this end we invite the support of the college so far as we merit your patronage. If we advocate new conditions and new policies it shall be with the single aim and purpose, to further the student interests and the interests of our beloved college. We shall always stand and use our strongest influence toward the advancement of all that is conducive to a good healthy college spirit. We shall criticise freely as heretofore, but always with the welfare of the college at heart. We do not want nor care to be an organ so prejudiced as to refuse to publish articles which conflict with our own ideas. It is a free lance, and as such every man is welcome to use its columns. We want you to write. Use us as much as you like, the more the better.

An innovation in coaching has been introduced here. For the first time for some years Hamilton players have returned and given us the benefit of their training on the football field. The college appreciates them, and as an evidence of such we need but to refer to the parting cheer given ex-Capt. Stowell and Dick Drummond. It was a reward well merited and much deserved. It is unremunerative, but much more heartfelt than cold dollars could have been. The prayers and good wishes of the college go with them in their new field of labor. Good luck to you, Esty, and success to you, Dick.

Athletic Association will be held in the chapel next Saturday to subscribe funds for the maintenance of the football management. Let every man be out and show his patriotism by giving his substance toward the honor and glory of Hamilton Athletics. We have some hard games and important ones and the manager must have funds to carry on the schedule. Give the manager a good substantial backing. We have forged our way to the front in the last four years and by all means let's not falter this year. Urge every man to give to the limit and make the team feel that a successful season has been well started.

ONE of the most unfortunate occurrences of the last painting night was the action of some members of the sophomore class in daubing and lettering up the arbor. It has always been an unwritten law that all memorials or special gifts to the college ought to be held sacred and not plastered with unseemly characters. It is exceedingly repugnant to the whole college to behold such a desecration of property given for such a noble purpose. To the credit of the sophomore class be it said that as a class they repudiate the deed.

And after all, hasn't the painting habit gone a bit too far in injuring property which belongs in no way to the college? Plaster old south from ground floor to garret; paint up all the walks; spill paint all over, but don't injure the property of people who are too proud to ask remuneration and too poor to pay for it themselves.

TODAY on Steuben Field the 'Varsity is to play Colgate Academy. Every man in college ought to be present at and participate in the contest. It is as plainly our duty to yell as it is that of the team to play. Let the visitors go away with the impression that whatever Hamilton does she does as a unit. Shake it up!

The Opening of the Season.

Sept.10. Captain Drummond and Coach Rymer were on hand to receive all new candidates. The practice for a few days consisted merely in catching, punting, and falling on the ball. At 10 o'clock each morning the squad reported for light practice in punting and catching. Promptly at 3 in the afternoon the math. lesson.

It is expected that a meeting of the men were on the field ready for two hours of careful coaching preliminary to the first line up. Six men reported on the opening day. Each subsequent day swelled the number until one week later, thirty men were in uniform ready to do hard, conscientious work under the guidance of coaches and Captain. We say "coaches," for we have had not only the services of Mr. Rymer, but of Stowell, 'or, Drummond, 'or, and Kelsey, '98, who have been back to aid in rounding the team into shape.

Six varsity men were graduated in 1001. The remaining five are still in college and will play this year. Nelson Drummond, '02, captain, will play in his old position at left end; Ward, '02, will remain at right guard; Blakely, '03, will undoubtedly play his old position at center; Gilbert, '02, who played center two years, will be shifted to right or left tackle; Naylor, '02, will play at right end; Peet, '03, will be at left half; Wills, '04, will play at left guard. T. McLaughlin, '03, will try for his brother's place at quarter; DeVotie, '03, who substituted Stowell at left tackle last year, will be a strong candidate for full-back; Mangan, '03, is trying for half-back and is a formidable opponent for that position; Strickland, '04, if parental obligations do not prevent, is looked upon as a likely man back of the line; Jones, '03, will be a strong candidate for end; Lambert, '03. and Dowling, '04, will try for positions between the ends. Other men who have reported and are showing up well are: Slaughter, '02, Reeve, '02, Harwood, '02, Church, '02, Hunter, '03, Landers, '03, Wills, '04, Tuthill, '03, Courtney, '03, Croft, '03, Chapman, '05, Tate, '03, P. Davis, '04, Evans, '04, R. Sherman, '04, Soper, '04, Carter, '04, Wright, '05, Mc-Entyre, '05, France, '05, Mann, '05, Abbey, '05, Robinson, '05, Bloyer, '05.

The Freshmen class contains a conspicuously small amount of available football material. There are no stars among its members. This fact should arouse the more experienced men to harder work. The success or failure of the team rests largely upon the efforts of each individual man. It is still too Preliminary football practice began early to make any forecasts of the season and yet we feel encouraged to say that the outlook is bright. Let every man who can, be on the field each day. If you can't play, come and show your loyalty by your presence and voice.

> -Chapman, '05, takes "Bugs" for a fellow freshman and inquires about the

Y. M. C. A. Reception.

On last Wednesday evening was held the annual reception of the Y. M. C. A. in Silliman Hall. The class of 1905, for whose benefit it was especially given, was present with nearly all of its members. Campbell '02, president of the association, first gave a short address of welcome and cordiality to the freshman class; next Dr. Saunders rendered two violin solos which were greatly enjoyed by all. Dr. Stryker then was called upon and he gave a talk which was immensely pleasing to everyone and seemed just to fit the occasion. The ludicrous was intermingled with the instructive and college loyalty was deeply impressed on the minds of the new men. Refreshments were then served, consisting of cream and cake. After this repast was finished Hawley, '02, gathered the fellows about him in the parlor, and after the distribution of some of the college songs, music filled the air for about half an hour.

The evening was spent very pleasantly and the occasion afforded the freshman class a chance to become acquainted with each other and to meet some of the faculty and also men from the other

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College Notes.

—Coach Rymer was in Watertown Thursday.

—A Press Association is being talked in college.

-M. R. Davis is suffering from a broken (?) rib.

—"Gym." shows seem to be the proper thing this year.

—Owens, '04, will not return to his alma mater this year.

—Rev. Dr. Child, '75, was on the hill Thursday and Friday.

—Andrews, '99, was severely injured in playing golf last week.

—The Sigma Phi fraternity gave an informal dance Thursday evening.

—Bonner, '05, has been compelled to leave college on account of ill-health.

—The freshmen are showing good class spirit. Here's hoping they keep it up.

—Schuyler, '03, arrived yesterday, having just recovered from an attack of pneumonia.

—The senior class numbers 30 men; juniors 47; sophomores 51, and the freshmen about 55.

—Joseph Rudd, '90, entertained the members of the Pentagon at dinner Thursday evening.

—Bob Kelsey, '98, Dick Drummond and Esty Stowell, '01, were on early to start football practice.

—The scrub needs more men to help on the field every afternoon. Show your loyalty by your assistance.

—Jenks, '02, who left college last year intending to reenter in the present junior class, has gone to Columbia.

—Dayton, '05, called on Prexie the other night to ask if it would be all right to cut the recitation after the row.

—Prex gave the sophomores a talk Monday morning. His theme was scurf painting and "swiping" freshmen.

-White, 'oo, has completed his examination in Bible and will receive his degree at the next meeting of the trustees.

—An obituary record of Hamilton's former trustees is being prepared by Dr. A. N. Brockway, '57, of New York.

—Tuesday afternoon Prof. Robinson introduced himself to the sophomore Latin classes. He is a very interesting talker.

—If the events of the last few days are a forerunner we may expect several exciting rows between the two lower classes.

—The freshmen who pinched "Sliver" Davis were well sick of their job after carrying him a couple of miles crosscountry.

—Schermerhorn, formerly of '03, has reentered in the ranks of the sophomores, intending to make "valedic." candidates work a little.

—The freshman class rather disappointed us in numbers this year, having registered only 55 men. We hope they will make up in quality.

—Stuart, '03, has succeeded Joe Currie as manager of the book-store. He has started out on the anti-trust plan, having profited by his predecessor's experience.

—The number of men forced to live in the dingy rooms of South this year, ought to bring the question of a new dormitory into prominence. Let the Commons go, give us a respectable place to live first.

—Only four out of the ten entrance scholarships were granted this year. Mr. Richardson took the Baldwin entrance prize; Mr. Merrick the Brockway; and scholarships were awarded to Mr. Speh and Mr. Wardwell.

—The Alpha Delt Hall has been undergoing repairs during the summer. It now has the advantages of the college water system, and the addition of a new furnace and a well-fitted bath-room will lend greatly to the comfort of the occupants.

—The freshmen fared rather badly on paint night. Six of their number were captured and appropriately decorated. The sophomores spilled some as ours.

paint rather injudiciously, but they intend to make proper apologies for any harm done.

—Once more the talk of having a mandolin club is going around. Let us hope that it will be something more than talk. The dismal failure of last year ought not to discourage us. Let the club be started in a hustling spirit and it will succeed.

—The following are some of the alumni who have been back this fall: Cookinham, 'oi, Cheesebrough, '95, Mott, '86, Warfield, '89, Warfield, 'oo, George, '97, Foster, '95, Davis, '86, W. T. Smith, '99, Turnbull, '97, Davenport, 'oi, Hatch, 'oi, Hawley, '99, Wright, '98, J. H. Peck, '59, A. M. Wright, '72, White, 'oo.

—The men of 1901, so far as known, will be located as follows for the year: Augsbury, Mt. Vernon; Davenport, Baltimore Medical College; Drummond, Albany Law School; Hatch, New York city; Hicok, Chicago; McLaughlin, New York City; Millham, Detroit; Quinn, Mercerburg, Pa.; Stowell, Columbia Law School; Stryker and Jenks, in the army; Macardell, Utica; Redmond, Clinton; Speh, Chicago; Keogh, Albany.

-The fall field meet of the sophomore and freshman classes will take place on Steuben Field Thursday, Oct. 10. The officers of the day are: Referee, Prof. Henry White, '98; judges, Dr. William Harder Squires, '88, John Warren Van Allen, '02, Robert Hatch Jones, '03; clerk of the course, William Collins, '02; starter, Goss Livingston Stryker, 'o1; timers, Edwin Joshua Ward, '02, Stuart Banyer Blakely, '03, James Sykes Carmer, '03; measurers, Thomas Durelle McLaughlin, '03, Sylvester Maxwell Lambert, '03; scorer, Charles Grierson Signor, '02; manager of track athletics, Elihu Root, jr., '03; assistant manager, Robert Russell Wicks, '04; athletic coach, John T. Crossley; captain of Varsity track team, Arthur Hawley Naylor, '02.

Our New Benedicts,

The college is pleased to note the new additions to the faculty, Mrs. Sheppard and Mrs. Fitch. The long looked-for events have happened and we herald their coming with pleasure. We congratulate you all, and wish for you all happiness on our hillside. We hope you will come to love and cherish it as we do, so that Hamilton is yours as well as ours.

Football.

LIFE has always advocated and urged a display at all times and in all places of that something known as "College Spirit," with particular reference to our athletic teams. The game on Saturday last was fairly well patronized, but the intense feeling of responsibility for the team did not manifest itself by showing the proper enthusiasm. The yells were ragged and the cheering lacked that inexpressible snap and vim which have hitherto characterized the men on the side lines. It was difficult at times to collect a crowd large enough to give a good old slogan, so engrossed were the spectators in the game. Interest is no disgrace, but we must always remember that the team will do well in proportion as we cheer them on. We need to think of ourselves less and remember the interests of the team more. It must be sickening to them to work hard for us and see the utter lack of any encouragement. It is discouraging to the coach, captain and team that their efforts should meet with such listless response on the part of their fellow students.

And why do so few men come out to the daily practice? Shall we compel our athletic teams to think that we are not interested in them, and confine ourselves to our rooms while they labor for our welfare. It is no easy job that they have in spending two or three hours on the field every day. Every man in college can't play football, but every one who can not ought to spend at least half an hour on Steuben Field while the team is practicing. You can have no idea of how bracing it is to have your presence, to have your cheers. Show your interest and every man will do his best. We have an excellent coach and captain, who are doing everything in their power to make things go, and let's wake up and show them that the college appreciates what they are doing. Let's get out and yell, and urge the team on, always commending, never scurfing. Everybody, come out!

Advisory Board Meeting.

A meeting of the Board was called for Thursday evening at Silliman Hall. It was decided to defer the election of sophomore and freshman representative until December. A college meeting will be called today at noon.

-Who said "cigars" for the recent weddings.

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