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Freshman Declamation Contest

On Wednesday noon the chapel was given over to the preparatory declamation contest of the freshman class. Eleven speakers competed, and it is no exaggeration to say that as an exhibition of all the vigors and beauties of Hamilton speaking, the contest has perhaps never been surpassed in our college. Certainly it has been equalled by no similar contest in Hamilton during the last four years. Of all such contests, this, in our judgment, was *facile princeps*; an exhibition worth coming miles to see.

Not the least agreeable and, we may add, original feature of the exhibition was the almost utter absence of those crudenesses and violences which disfigure college declamation and reduce it to the proportion of mere "spiel." Our sight was not shocked nor our ears assaulted by any of the purple fury, the Websterian pose, the dead level of thundering vehemence, which no music of voice nor grace of gesture can render pleasing.

Another agreeable feature of the speaking was its sustained and uniform excellence. There were no oratorical black sheep; every contestant was much above mediocrity. The speakers, moreover, had evidently been taught the usefulness and trained to the use of contrast in tone and delivery, with the rare result that at no time was the speaking monotonous and dull. The color imparted to every speech, the apt alternations of the loud and the low, the strong and the sympathetic, the predominance of the conversational style mingled with fine and appropriate bursts, constituted, perhaps, the most original feature of the exhibition.

Another point deserving of comment was the graceful and vivid gesturing. A finer illustration of the usefulness and effectiveness of appropriate physical movement in speaking we have not seen. The college may also be thankful for the fine discrimination exercised in the

choice of declamations, most of them being absolutely new to our college stage, and all of them being strong and interesting. But two or three of the selections had ever been spoken there, and these were delivered with such a new beauty as to rob the students of all former memories of them.

It is only just to the class and to its instructor to notice here the vast improvement made by all, but especially by at least six of the speakers who appeared last Wednesday, since their first essay on chapel stage. A large portion of the credit for such progress is due to Prof. Lee, who has taken a class of something above the average speaking talent and fashioned it into the finest class in declamation that has appeared at Hamilton in years. Under his instruction rant and unnatural and dramatic violence have been for the most part discouraged and discarded, and the students led to a style at once graceful and natural, full of life and characterized by self-restraint. LIFE takes this occasion to congratulate the class of 1904 on its exceptional exhibition of last Wednesday and its instructor on his splendid success during the past year. Though young in years and but one year out of college, Prof. Lee will take a place among the best drills in speaking Hamilton has ever had.

Hamilton vs. Columbia.

The game with Columbia A. C. of Utica Wednesday resulted 13-7 in favor of Hamilton. The team kept up the good work of the Colgate game and fielded perfectly with a single exception. Hunter's error was excusable and was made on a difficult try. The infield worked together well and smothered everything which came its way. A great improvement was noticeable, especially at second base. McLaughlin seems to fill the bill exactly and is putting up a star game. Millham played his usual strong game and made several pretty

stops. Peet at short covered much ground, threw accurately and is improving every day. He is full of ginger and gets into the game in good style. Judd held down the initial sack faultlessly. He is naturally a trifle slow on low balls, but is becoming more accurate. The outfield had much to do during the fore part of the game and did it well. The regulars, Keogh and Stiles, took everything within reach and fielded in long hits rapidly. Durkee and Dunn alternated in the box and right field. Hunter was slow in getting after foul flies, but otherwise continued the fine work which he has been doing all season. The fellows talked it up and kept things moving all the time. Team work and ginger went well together. With the stick Hamilton showed greater proficiency than in any game this year. Nearly every man found the ball, and the eight runs obtained in the sixth inning were the result of hard, clean, consecutive hitting. The fellows stood up to the plate as if they meant business, and went at the ball in a determined way. Thruout the game they rapped the sphere hard. In base running there is considerable room for improvement. Millham, Peet, Keogh and McLaughlin show speed and use their heads. The others are slow, and should watch the game more closely. Durkee pitched the first four innings and then gave way to Dunn. He lacked his usual speed and was found for several hard, clean hits. Dunn proved quite a puzzle to the Columbia batsmen and was very effective. A drizzling rain fell at intervals during the game and made sharp fielding difficult.

For the Columbias, Sime put up the best all-around game and Hess fielded well. Their fielding was less accurate than that of their opponents, as was also their throwing. At the bat their hits were of the sizzling variety and were hard to gather in. They were first up and secured three runs on singles by Armstrong and Davis and a two-base hit by Crouse. For Hamilton, Millham

walked, Peet bunted safely and Judd's single to right field sent them both across the field. A double play by Hess, unassisted, retired the side. Doubles by Sime and Van Swall netted Utica one run in the second. With men on second and third and two out in the third inning, Keogh's foul fly is held by Crouse.

Columbia adds two in the fourth by Hunter's failure to get Smith's third strike, Sime's double and Van Swall's single. Sime's error placed Hunter on first, Stiles walked and Durkee brought in Hunter with a sacrifice hit. Stiles was caught napping between third and the plate. He seemed dazed and made no effort at all to get in.

Columbias failed to score again until the eighth inning, when a single by Crouse and a sacrifice by Dolan gave them one run.

Passes to Millham and Keogh, with Judd's single and Crouse's high throw to third gave Hamilton two runs in the fifth. Hamilton concluded her scoring in the sixth, when Dunn's sacrifice, Durkee's first on Van Swall's error and singles by Millham, Peet, Judd and Hunter, Keogh's double and McLaughlin's triple sent eight men around and compelled Van Swall to seek the bench. His successor was in better form, and altho found quite freely, prevented further scoring.

The game was well played and interesting thruout. The best of feeling prevailed between the two teams. The day was unpromising and the crowd small; still the faithful few who are on hand to support the team, rain or shine, saw their favorites win a good, clean game by superior all-around work.

THE SCORE:

COLUMBIA A. C.	A. B.	R.	B. H.	P. O.	A.	E.
Armstrong, s. s.	5	1	1	1	2	0
Phillips, 3 b.	3	0	0	2	0	0
Hess, I. b., p.	4	1	0	11	1	1
Crouse, c.	4	2	2	5	5	0
Dolan, c. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Davis, I. f.	4	0	2	1	0	1
Smith, r. f.	3	1	0	0	1	1
Sime, 2 b.	4	2	3	3	2	1
Van Swall, p., I b.	4	0	2	1	4	1
Totals.	35	7	10	24	15	5
HAMILTON.	A. B.	R.	B. H.	P. O.	A.	E.
Millham, 3 b.	3	2	3	3	3	0
Peet, s. s.	3	3	2	2	1	0
Judd, I b.	4	2	3	11	0	0
Keogh, I. f.	3	1	1	1	0	0
McLaughlin, 2 b.	5	1	3	2	4	0
Hunter, c.	3	2	1	6	1	1
Stiles, c. f.	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dunn, r. f., p.	4	1	0	0	1	0
Durkee, p., r. f.	4	1	0	1	2	0
Totals.	30	13	12	27	12	1

SCORE BY INNINGS:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Columbia	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0-7
Hamilton	0	2	0	0	1	2	8	0	x-13

Two-base hits—Keogh, Crouse, Sime (2), Van Swall. Three-base hit—McLaughlin. Base on balls—By Van Swall, 9; by Durkee, 2. Hit by pitcher—Millham. Struck out—By Van Swall, 2; by Durkee, 1; by Dunn, 5. Passed balls—Hunter, 2; Crouse, 2. Double plays—Crouse to Van Swall; Hess (unassisted); Sime to Hess. Umpire—Lee, 'oo.

Interacademic Prize Speaking.

By those who were so fortunate as to attend the second of the annual inter-academic prize-speaking contests which was held in the chapel on Saturday noon, it seems unanimously conceded that the contest of 1902 most be one of the highest class in order to excel its predecessor. The speaking in general was of a high order.

Representatives from eleven schools and academies in the various parts of the state contested for oratorical honors on the college rostrum. The schools represented were Lockport, Waterville, Oneida, Troy, Norwich, Albany, Oxford, Brooklyn, Watervliet, Middleburgh and Rome. The appearance of every speaker was greeted with loud and well-merited applause. From the first contestant to the last the interest of the audience not once slackened its intensity. The gallery and body of the chapel presented a scene not unlike that of commencement week. It was well filled with eager and attentive listeners. At times the speakers tended toward a dramatic style, which does not conform to Hamilton's style of oratory. Most of the selections were of a difficult nature, but, with the exception of two or three, the men rendered them in a highly creditable manner. We would criticise adversely the length of the appearances. Five minutes is considered ample time for delivering a declamation, whereas at least two-thirds of the speakers occupied seven minutes or more.

While the committee of decision, which consisted of President Stryker, Professor Andrews and E. J. Humeston, were conferring, at the suggestion of Professor White, who presided, the students, led by the choir, entertained the friends of the college by singing that song which has recently become so endeared to Kirkland's sons, "Dear is Thy Homestead, Glade and Glen." 1901

sang "Karo Kiro," and the class yells which followed raised the ceiling just two inches.

The decisions of the judges were, in general, popular to the audience. Harry L. Everitt of the Troy Academy was awarded the first prize. His declamation was exceedingly well rendered and received the hearty applause of all. Irvin de R. Miller of the Boys' High School of Brooklyn received the second honors. Honorable mention was given to Harold Coggeshall of the Waterville High School.

New York City.

BY DEKE TAYLOR.

New York is the largest city in the U. S. The Atlantic Ocean is within hailing distance, with Hoboken as her guest of honor. This city is composed of Tammany Hall, the elevated railroad and wagons. Everything else is buildings.

Trinity Church yard is the only dead thing in New York, not to mention the Tombs. Business is the principal occupation here.

There are restaurants in New York—so-called when you enter. When you come out you call them the first thing you think of, and sometimes twice. In these places you get oysters—elsewhere Selects and French Counts. On careful inquiry, you may learn that your waiter has been there longer than you have.

Heart disease is unknown here. So are hearts. Money is the only thing in circulation. One doing a kindness, if caught in the act, is immediately arrested. Otherwise, he seeks companionship in an asylum. You can't show good manners here without paying for it.

New York is a half-sister to Brooklyn, on the Long Island side, with Coney Island a step-father.

Wall street is the mother of New York's best society. The first families look for the roots of their genealogical trees there; for their trunks and branches they spend money in Europe.

It costs more to sit in the stocks than to stand in Central Park. Central Park Zoo is for the purpose of showing New York society what it might have been if it had only tried.

If you want to be good in New York you must go as far up the Hudson as the Palisades. Then it is generally considered only a bluff.

The people of this great city are just people. Now and then you meet a

human being. Their religion is politics. The biggest meeting house is the Stock Exchange. What and whom they do, they do quickly. The people dress plainly, or very little; others more so. In a word, New York is all and more than one might hope for.

Intercollegiate.

—A new course in physics will be instituted next year at Brown University. This course will give a degree of bachelor of science in electrical engineering.

—Elaborate preparations are being made for the Yale bi-centennial. The Yale Dramatic Association will present a play in open air. William C. Whitney of New York has given \$25,000 to the fund for this celebration.

—A new art building is now being erected at Mt. Holyoke as a memorial to Mrs. Nancy S. Everett Dwight and Mrs. Clara Leigh Dwight.

—Prof. William Watson Goodwin of Howard University has retired from that institution after a continuous service as instructor of forty-five years, during the greater part of which he has held the Eliot professorship of Greek. Oliver Samuel Tonks of Malden will succeed him.

—Williams won the New England championship intercollegiate games by one-sixth of a point.

—The University of Michigan will compete for the first time in ten years in the intercollegiate games which are to be held in New York today. They may upset some of the calculations of the eastern athletes as to the results of the meet.

—Wellesley is comparatively rich in pipe-organs, there being three in all in the college buildings.

—A Smith Day is being planned for by the alumnae of Smith, to be held at the Pan-American in June, probably about the 21st.

—Cornell is preparing for a carnival of athletic sports to center around the second Varsity regatta on Memorial Day.

Miller, '03, translating French—"I love the smiles of lovely women." Open confession is good for the soul.

A Rome dispatch to a daily paper announces the birth of a six-footed pig. Here's a chance for Prex to stock up.

Found—A freshman who doesn't use a "trot" in Latin. He answers to the name of Hunter. The genus is almost extinct.

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THIS afternoon the track team goes to Colgate for the dual meet. It remains to be seen what honors they bring back with them. What they need most is a good, strong delegation of rooters to help them along. They have trained hard and faithfully and like to feel that the college in a body is backing them up. There is nothing like a good yell to brace a man up and make him do his level best. Sprains and bruises are all forgotten at the sound of an inspiring cheer. Let us show to outsiders that what Hamilton College does in athletics she does collectively, as well as individually. The team needs every man, and believe that it is not asking too much when it requests you to accompany it to Colgate this afternoon.

THE presence of prospective college men during last week and this has given new life to every loyal undergraduate. There is nothing which so arouses all our love for the old hillside as to show young blood the place where we have exerted our best efforts, played our hardest games, met our dearest friends, and learned hard lessons of discipline which we now begin to appreciate. We are apt to fall into a prosy, dreamy state after being successful in securing for Hamilton an increase in class numbers, but no man, however indifferent he may have become, can tell a stranger why he loves this place without feeling that it has done him a world of good to sing the praises of his Alma Mater. The clash of classes and the din of disciplinary battles are all forgotten in the telling of Hamilton's virtues. The campus, the buildings, the men, the college spirit, are matters of just pride.

DURING the progress of the game against the Columbias on Steuben Field Wednesday afternoon a half dozen freshmen were observed playing tennis on the college courts. A good, strong, healthy spirit does not mean that we are to support our team when we feel like it or seek other diversion when our presence on the field would help encourage the team and manager. The men are well known to us and we take this opportunity to give timely warning.

IN the unqualified success of last Saturday's interscholastic field meet, Hamilton's undergraduates have learned a lesson that will result in benefit to the college. For a first attempt in this line, to bring out so many entries, establish good records and be financially successful, is almost unprecedented. It shows clearly how broad is the field in which just this kind of work may be done. It points out the duty of Hamilton for next spring. It means a big interscholastic meet on Steuben Field in 1902. A number of High Schools that had made previous engagements for the day sent regrets and promised to send a team next year. The work for the next meet will begin earlier than for this one. LIFE will take upon itself the responsibility of advertising it throughout the state. The Press Association, for it will probably be established by that time, can use its papers to the limit, and the meet can in this way get a prestige which will make academies a hundred miles away eager to be represented. But there is a way better than any other in which the 1902 meet can be promoted. During the summer vacation let every man speak of it at home. Let him keep constantly referring to it, so that in the fall and winter it will be talked of by the boys in the high school. This individual missionary work must be effectual. It will bring scores of scholastic athletes and their friends to Hamilton's meet. When they come here the object will be accomplished. They will see the campus at its best.

The Pentagon.

A new senior society, named the Pentagon, has been formed in college. It is non-secret and composed of five men chosen spring term from the junior class upon the basis of interest shown by them in the welfare of the college. Honorary members are provided for, and these, together with the graduate members, aid the

work of the active organization. The purpose of the society is to unite and honor the five men that the preceding class feels have the truest interest of the college at heart. The aim of the founders and of the society is to strive for the welfare of the whole college at all times and in all places.

The need of such an organization has been long recognized, and its actual formation has received the hearty support of faculty and alumni. It is hoped that membership in the Pentagon will come to be looked upon as one of the highest honors of the course. The honorary members already received into the society are President M. W. Stryker, Dr. W. R. Terrett, Clinton Scollard, '81; Joseph Rudd, '90; Robert G. Kelsey, '98, and Richard S. Cookinham, '00.

The badge of the society is of gold, pentagonal in shape, with an open-work H, inscribed with the class numerals of the member in the center of the pentagon.

The Sophomores Protest.

Late afternoon recitations are inconsistent with good results. A fellow naturally feels that the transfer of a 9 o'clock recitation to 4 or 5 in the afternoon is an unjustifiable infringement by the professor in charge. Of course, we want our money's worth, but we do not want it at the expense of the cancelling of afternoon engagements, at the cost of an interference with baseball and track practice, nor at the price of an unnecessary abrogation of the scheme of the schedule committee. The offenders are few, but those few assume this prerogative so often that the questionable action needs to be noticed. If a professor can justly and reasonably postpone his recitations to suit his own convenience, what is the use of a schedule? Why not have it announced daily at the morning chapel that certain recitations will be held at such a time? We have a study scheme. We plan by it, make our engagements by it, and expect it to be inviolable, when it has received official sanction, except with the consent of all concerned. We protest, and protest earnestly, against this new regime as an infringement upon our rights. We trust that the offenders will look at this matter in the proper light.

—Schnitz told a sophomore the other day that Verdammt, when translated, condemned one, meant nothing.

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Bohn In, Freshmen.

The impression which there seems to be among the majority of freshmen that the weekly prayer meeting Friday night is a thing to be avoided is entirely wrong. No harm was ever done there. Good has been accomplished. It is a place where classmen are met on a plane quite different from the ordinary. Here the best traits show up and the impression made is always different. No man really knows his classmate until he has seen the side of his character which he may see here every week. There is no feature of college life that will be more prized in after years than this weekly prayer meeting with class friends.

By the Way.

Briggs—I've just read the story of the frey furnace. It reminds me of the summer months.

Giggs—Any one in particular?

Briggs—Yes; a hot (Jewlie).—*Deke.*

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F. E. PAYNE, P. M.

LIFE is entered at the Clinton Post Office as second-class matter.

College Notes.

—Prize exams. seem to be the order of the day.

—Inman, '04, is open to bids for coach in tennis.

—Again on Tuesday Schnitz cuts the freshmen.

—Schnitz honored the freshmen with a cut Tuesday.

—W. R. Lee, '00, paid a short visit to Cornell last week.

—Schnitz rather criticises the poetic style of Monsieur Scoville.

—We all admired your new suit at the prep. school meet, Tommy.

—The Hall of Science shines resplendent in its new coat of paint.

—The new walk has been progressing in great style the last two days.

—Sunday the chapel listened to a fine violin solo by Prof. A. P. Saunders.

—Charles Lewis was very pleasantly entertained at the Hemlocks last Sunday.

—The schedule for next term's work is now posted in the faculty room at the library.

—Prof. Ward, after a week's absence due to sickness, is again meeting his classes.

—Churchill is asked by one of his young lady admirers if he takes any part in athletics.

—Strickland and Heyl, '04, spent a few days last week at the former's home in Carthage.

—It is the intention of the captain and manager of football to begin practice next Tuesday.

—The freshmen miss the genial presence of Square. It is reported that he is visiting in the West.

—The freshmen seemed to take a great interest in the sub-freshmen who were on the Hill last week.

—We understand that our new Y. M. C. A. president has become one of the noted sharks of the Utica shooting gallery.

—The freshmen thought it unjust for Murray to take Ward's place last Friday, so showed their displeasure by cutting.

—For some unknown reason last Monday Little Greek was forced to dismiss the freshmen a quarter of an hour before the limit.

—Cub Ward, '02, left yesterday for Buffalo. He is one of the fortunates who has secured a position at the Pan-American.

—Thru the instrumentality of our loyal alumnus, Congressman Sherman, we will have a special car for the meet at Colgate today.

—E. L. Palmer, '82, instructor in oratory in the Boys' High School of Brooklyn, was on the Hill for the interscholastic last Saturday.

—One of the sub-freshmen inquired last Saturday to which class Uncle John belonged. Another wanted to know if Prexie was another term for janitor.

—Psyche in logic—"You gentlemen can write this out as well as me." In this case no commentary would be accusative of such usage of the pronoun.

—It wouldn't be hard to collect enough money to buy two new nets for the tennis courts. Let the manager say the word and subscriptions will be forthcoming.

—Dr. Root has left his work for a short trip to Missouri. He intends to be gone about a week, visiting his old home and Pritchett College, of which he was once president.

—D. R. Campbell, '02, represented the Hamilton Prohibition Club at the New York State oratorical contest of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association, held at Syracuse May 23.

—During the past week Pill's laboratory has been the center of attraction for the sub-freshmen. It certainly is an interesting place and, combined with the lectures, is without equal.

—At the meeting of the Bible class Sunday morning after chapel, C. H. Toll, jr., gave an interesting talk on the Passion Play at Oberammergau and his impressions of it. The innovation was a pleasing one.

A Criticism and a Suggestion.

Wednesday noon closed the last chapel of the year. They have been, in the main, successful thruout, but nevertheless there seems to be lacking that old-time completeness of the Wednesday noon chapel that added so much to its interest. Not that there is any fault to be found in the work done, for such has been plentiful and thoro, but in the few men who now attend what we have always looked upon with pride—a Hamilton College chapel exercise.

Why can we not have, as of yore, one hour less of elective work, and make chapel attendance what it should be?

As matters are now, sophomores and freshmen alone declaim on Wednesday during spring term, so that just at the time when men are trying hardest to make prize speaking they are hampered by having a small audience as spectators. Freshmen get up on the rostrum, not expecting fair treatment from their natural rivals. Sophomores strive to equal men in their own class only, and hence neither class does its best.

This is what we propose: For fall and winter term have seniors appear with orations on Wednesday noon, and one appearance only for each man in the class. Let the whole junior class be present, but have one-half appear with declamations during fall term on Wednesday and the other half deliver orations at the Saturday noon chapel, so that each man makes one appearance a term. The winter term for juniors would be the reverse; those who had delivered orations on Saturday in fall term now come on for declamations, and vice versa. For sophomores, let one-half the class appear in fall term with declamations on Wednesday and the other half *commit* and deliver their discussions before the Saturday noon chapel, with the reverse in winter term. For spring term let it remain for sophomores as it is now. In the case of freshmen the present scheme is good enough.

The points in favor of such a scheme are these:

The whole college can hear senior orations which are supposed to represent the most mature talent in college.

Saturday noon chapel will be enlivened by spoken sophomore discussions rather than the dry essays under the present system.

No man will appear any more times during the year than formerly.

It gives upper classmen, and especially seniors, an opportunity of knowing exactly what the under classmen are doing in rhetorical, thus putting them in a position to give good advice.

Such a system has been proposed to us, and we respectfully submit it to our readers for consideration. LIFE invites all who are interested to discuss the plan freely, and offers its columns to any and all who care to use them, either to advocate or oppose the adoption of such a scheme.

Prize Speakers.

The following men were appointed McKinney Prize speakers yesterday morning:

JUNIORS.

C. W. Lewis, F. G. Miller,
J. M. Scoville, J. W. Van Allen.

SOPHOMORES.

T. H. Burgess, A. H. Courtenay,
S. M. Lambert, D. K. Peet.

FRESHMEN.

F. C. Beach, D. J. Carter,
W. P. Soper, R. R. Wicks.

Baseball.

The nominal support which has been tendered to the baseball men and also track men for the preceding week or more has not merited such denomination. The attendance from the non-participant portion of the college has been meager and miserly, and yet these very same men who, during the week, indulge their thirst for pastime on the tennis courts, while in attendance at some of the contests, impose censure and unmitigated stricture on the performances of the respective participants. Such action is at the height of inconsistency.

On the other hand, the quota of men on the field is ample cause for the discouragement of both captain and subordinates. For many consecutive days the representation from all classes has aggregated barely nine men. Where are all the aspirants by whose forms the campus was dotted early in the spring? What has become of the men who have even participated in several of the contests? Such absence is unjustifiable and should not be countenanced. It is as requisite for the success of baseball as of any other branch of athletics that there be a competition and an adequate number of men to organize a scrub to oppose the 'Varsity.

There were at least twenty-five men trying for the team early in the season. Now that track and baseball will no longer conflict let every man of capability, however small, if not otherwise busied, present himself and strive to conclude the season with an aggressive and continued improvement.

Forget the disappointments as to games cancelled or lost, and both player and spectator co-operate, purposing a successful close of the season.

To Venus.

Goddess fair, it is not sin
To bend the knee to thee.
For when thou dost step
Without the vale
And beckon grandly on,
This poor soul, in new-born hope grown strong,
Leaps upward and in transcendent wonder
Supes its God. —Deke Taylor.

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 An' a-glidin', an' a-glidin',
 As upon our bikes a-ridin',
 Yehs, a-ridin', both a-ridin'!
 We jes' give deh cops de sack,
 When thuh win' is at our back!
 O stop dat a-pushin' dar behine!
CHORUS.—To the tune of the notes in the border.
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