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## Commons: A Radical Change.

Recently it has been learned that the president of this college meditates a change; a change which will affect every member of the student body and which surely will have an effect, more important than any change heretofore attempted. It may be accepted that this new plan will be carried out. It may be in one year or in five, but certain is it that it will come.

The plan in brief is this: Old South is not to be torn down, but upon that part of the quadrangle where stands the Chemical Laboratory a new dormitory is to be erected. It will be equipped with every accessory of modern buildings, electricity, steam heating, etc. Every student of the college who does not reside in Clinton will be compelled to rent a room in one of the dormitories on the Hill. Following out this scheme, everyone will board at Commons, and gradually the present system of fraternity houses will undergo a complete change, the college will be entirely centralized, all students actively confined to the immediate vicinity of the campus.

Part of this plan has been foreseen for some time. It was evident that in order to make the Commons a success the entire student body would have to support it. But the complete plan comes as a shock to many of the college and especially to the crowds down the Hill. For years all movement has been up, concentrating all college activity, but this contemplated step will revolutionize affairs at Hamilton.

The argument of those who have originated this program is that it will result in a broadening of college spirit, a unification of college purpose, and raise the standard of Hamilton individuality.

—The decision of the justice of the peace that Mann was acquitted was received with hearty applause. The room was packed during the trial.

## A Review of the Football Season of 1902.

BY R. C. S. DRUMMOND, '01.

With the advent of the class of 1906 came the realization of those hopes cherished by all our football enthusiasts since the end of the eventful football season of 1900—hopes summarized briefly thus: that a freshman class would enter at last with plenty of football material. The class of 1906 has done well, for itself and for Hamilton College. With Bramley, Hosmer, Barrows, Roosa, Sicard, Thompson and Nellis, not to speak of those others whose tireless and faithful devotion as shown this fall will place them on the team before the completion of their college course, the present freshman class bids fair to cause the famous delegation from 1901 to look to its laurels. We needed these men this year. The difficulty that we faced during the season of 1901 in the lack of 'varsity material from the class entering that fall, made us desperate for one dismal year in view of the possibility that there might occur the same misfortune in the season recently so triumphantly concluded. But 1906 rose to the occasion nobly and well, and in our joyful satisfaction we tender them a full measure of credit and gratitude.

With all our old rivals humbled again—for our tie game with Colgate was, in the circumstances, a most decided victory for us—with our sportsmanlike antagonists from Williamstown played to a standstill in our first game of the season; with but one defeat, that at the hands of Columbia's best and heaviest team, a victory for her so costly that it ruined her chances for the remainder of the season; with

the resumption of our athletic relations with Union signalized by one of the most crushing defeats administered to her during the fall; what more need be said in order to demonstrate that we had one of the best teams in our history? With the nucleus of a hardened eleven for three more years, and with the loss of only three men by graduation in 1903—though we can ill afford to spare their almost invaluable services and strengthening support—who is there to cast a shadow of gloom over our prospects for the season of 1903?

To this glorious result many things have contributed. We were fortunate, indeed, in securing the services of Mr. Chauncey L. Berrien, the famous Columbia fullback, as coach during the season. Mr. Berrien is in very sincerity "a gentleman, a scholar, and an all-round athlete." To him we owe the persistence, dash and endurance, that our team manifested in its whole play during the season. To him we owe the style and tactics that proved so baffling to our opponents and so effective against them. He did his work well, and he leaves this hillside with the respect and gratitude of all Hamilton College.

We can scarce estimate the debt we owe to the untiring efforts and to the cheering spirit and presence of the greatest football player that ever stood behind the line of any of our teams—Captain Peet. From the time when Dave's cheerful grin would announce to the waiting team that he had won the toss down to the last moment of

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### The Football Dinner.

The 'varsity, with "Prex.," "Stink" and "Windy" were the fortunate ones on Wednesday evening. Our loyal alumnus, Hon. Joseph Rudd, certainly did the best thing in the best way, and every thing from the turkey to "Carissima" was fully appreciated.

What if the storm and mud almost overwhelmed us on the way; what if "Bunk" had to whistle to keep up his courage in the dark—our welcome dispelled all our troubles and the fun began. "Prex." and our host did the carving—we did the rest. After two birds had been demolished and many other good things had disappeared, songs and stories, ably assisted by good cigars, held welcome sway. Mr. Rudd's reminiscences, "Wind's" tales of German revelries, and "Prex's" wit were interspersed by serious discussions on music—in which "Blake" was called into prominence—and college affairs. "Davy" was just congratulating himself on escaping the role of orator, when he was called to his feet. He spoke of the faithful work of coach and team, the valuable support of "Dick" and "Nelse" Drummond and the good results of it all. His graceful expression of gratitude to our host was seconded by "Prex." and then we rose to sing the best college song there is. A hearty cheer for Mr. Rudd, another for the lady of the house, and we separated.

### Scurf Posters.

The first term of college, for the freshmen, is drawing to a close. When we returned this fall it was with the expectation to witness, and for some to participate in, a chapel row. Our expectations were fully realized. The freshman class was pronounced to be one of mettle. They have made a reputation for themselves which it behooves them to maintain. How well they succeed we will be able to judge at the opening of next term. That is the traditional time for the appearance of the scurf posters. That the sophomores will be up to the standard we feel quite certain. The problem is will they overdo it. This has several times been the case; the posters being unfit to appear in public. It is not the picture books having the coarsest language and the most vulgar illustrations that win the greatest applause, but rather those which are the most original and the wittiest. It is to

be expected that the sophomore production will be the better. The sophomores have had more experience and the material be better. The sophomore class is indeed poor, which will allow itself to be worsted by the freshmen in a literary (by writery) contest. The freshmen then should not be content with improving upon the production of the freshmen of last year. They should strive to do their very best to be original, to do the improbable and surpass the sophomores.

### Basket-ball Encouraging.

Basket-ball practice has begun, but it is too early as yet to get much of a line on the new material. Review week is a busy one and practice must necessarily proceed under a handicap. It is work first and practice if there is time left. Just now there is not much time left and consequently basket-ball practice has had a small attendance so far. Of the new material Bramley and Kelly give evidence of developing into valuable men and some others are doing fair work. After this term it is reasonable to expect that many more of the fellows will come out. The make-up of the team is by no means decided. Ability will be fairly and impartially judged and the fight for positions should be close and determined. The manager has arranged a good schedule although it is yet incomplete, and hard games are ahead. Last year's careless training should not be repeated. With the men out of condition there is no hope of winning against a well-conditioned team, and there is another point which needs attention. There is material in the present junior class, as was shown by the result of the final inter-class game last year, when they won the inter-class championship. But the members of this team do not get out to 'varsity practice. They have much good material and should give the college their assistance. Everyone who can play basket-ball should get out and help in making the season a success. Captain Mangan deserves the support of the college.

—In last Sunday's *Syracuse Herald* appeared the pictures of Wills '04 and Hosmer '06. Each man was commended highly for his past football record, especial emphasis being placed upon the work done for Hamilton during the past season.

### The Maid and the Mistletoe.

*By Clinton Scollard '81, in Lippincott's.*

'Twas near the merry tide of Yule,  
The air was crispy-clear and cool;  
Upon the rill and roadside pool  
The ice was glassy;  
When down the upland way there tripped,—  
Eyes brown, and holly-berry lipped,  
Ear sea-shell shaped and rosy-tipped,—  
A winsome lassie.

About her throat was clasped a ruff  
Fashioned of some soft, fluffy stuff;  
Her hands were hidden in her muff,  
Wherefrom was peeping  
A little spray, the gloss and glow  
Upon whose leaves I seemed to know;  
It was a bit of mistletoe  
She had in keeping.

I smiled, and thrilled at heart to trace  
The faint reflection on her face;  
I bowed with what I might of grace;  
She too bowed slightly;  
My eyes said, "May I speak to you?"  
I fancied hers replied, "Yes, do!"  
At least I took their look for cue;  
She answered brightly.

And so we fell into a chat,  
A shred of this, a scrap of that;  
Whate'er she ventured was so "pat,"  
Her talk quite won me;  
And when we parted lingeringly  
(Alas, that such sad things must be!)  
A sprig of mistletoe did she  
Bestow upon me.

Ofttimes thereafter did I cope  
With that long summit-leading slope,  
Lured onward by the beacon, Hope,  
Yet ever missed her;  
Haply it seems a little thing,  
And yet at Yule these words will ring  
Sharp in my ears, and leave their sting,—  
"You never kissed her!"

### Basket-ball Schedule.

Jan. 14, U. F. A. at Clinton.  
Jan. 16, 44th Separate Co. at Utica.  
Jan. 21, Amherst at Amherst.  
Jan. 22, Williams at Williamstown.  
Jan. 23, R. P. I. at Troy.  
Jan. 30, Rochester at Clinton.  
Feb. 4, Potsdam Normal at Clinton.  
Feb. 7, Colgate at Hamilton.  
Feb. 27, R. P. I. at Clinton.  
Mar. 6, Colgate at Clinton.

A return game with Rochester and a game with Cornell are being arranged.

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the last play of the game, his whirlwind end runs and smashing line plunges, his calmly delivered and surely placed punts and drop kicks were a stimulus, his words of encouragement and his faultless example, an inspiration to the team. And he was ably seconded in all he did, by the other seniors on the team, who crowned an honorable football career by a record for their last season that can not be surpassed.

The team itself gave its talents and its energies unreservedly to the cause. There was no shirking. Every man played for all that was in him, paid strict attention to business, and rendered implicit respect and obedience to his captain and to his instructors. The team was light in weight, and in point of years and experience was inferior to any team we met; but its speed and dash overcame these disadvantages; and it lent itself so beautifully to individual and team-play coaching that what seemed points of inferiority were really turned into elements of strength.

It isn't generally realized that our backs and ends this year averaged less than 150 pounds to the man. To the impartial observer, even, it was simply marvelous that our diminutive backs could not only reduce the distance to their opponents' goal posts with such steady rapidity, but were also so effective in smashing up heavy line plays and interference. They gave an exhibition of Hamilton nerve and pluck and spirit such as gladdens the heart.

The time is almost past when mere words of eulogy can fittingly reward the labors of our faithful scrub. Something more tangible is needed. In many respects we never had a stronger scrub than that which tussled with the 'varsity this fall. For their work and their devotion there should be devised some reward in the form of a mark or

emblem which shall be both a prize to strive for and an honor to attain. Some of the scrub are sure to make the team sooner or later—more of them, in fact, than realize the fact now, *if they only keep at it*—and so comes their reward. But for those who play so well, and who sacrifice their time for the good of the college and submit to the hard knocks and the bruises in the hope of some prize distant in the future, and who are yet not quite good enough to make the team or to be listed as first substitutes, something should be done as they deserve.

Never has our team received such enthusiastic support from the side lines as during this season. The new yells and the new songs imparted spirit to the team and added each time a little more of patriotism to every Hamilton man within sight and hearing. Our rooters can hold their own with those of any college in the land, and this is a reputation that should be maintained.

Each of these causes is entitled to its place in the column of contributions toward the grand result. If all are present every year, our team will continue to be one whose achievements are a delight both to see, to witness and to record; and such are the deeds of the eleven of 1902.

In one important particular, the team equaled the famous 1900 team: to wit, in its powerful defensive game. Blakely, Wills and Speh, in the centre, formed a trio not only impregnable to assaults directed against themselves, but also seemingly irresistible in breaking through and stopping end plays. Time after time, Wills and Speh were seen to dash their men aside and to spring through and tackle the runner for a loss. It is difficult for one who has never played guard to realize how hard is this feat to perform; and the ease and frequency with which they

did it, together with their general team play, stamps these men as three of the best players in these positions in the country today.

DeVotie and Barrows, at the tackles, played a defensive game that is unexceptionable. It seemed almost impossible to gain through them, and to get an end run past them and their assisting halfbacks was something that few teams were able to do. The light ends and halfbacks seemed to break through the heavy interference of Columbia, Williams and Colgate and tackle the runners as cleanly and as courageously as if they were playing a prep. school team. Some of their performances in this line were prodigies. Bramley's tackles and running back of punts in the back field form yet the topic of conversation in Albany.

The general defense was consistent and effective to a degree not seen before in some years. The 1900 team depended not so much upon its strong defense as upon its ability to keep the ball, and to score touchdown after touchdown. Therefore this one marked characteristic of the 1902 eleven is especially creditable to the team and gratifying to the college.

The offensive was superb at all times during the season, save possibly during the Hobart game, when the team took a decided slump. Berrien's formations were very effective, and it was said that we worked Columbia's own formation plays even better than she did herself. Bramley is a good field general, and neither becomes nervous himself nor allows or causes the team to become so. Hosmer and Peet made a fast pair of end runners, and they seemed to adapt themselves particularly well to the formation and fake plays on tackle. We shall miss Davie's familiar figure. No one has done more than he to brighten the page of our football history. His record is clean and it stands unexcelled. Hos-

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mer will develop into a fine player if he keeps his head, for his work this year is of a high order. He is a plucky player on the defense and a sure tackler. His one fault is his slowing up when tackled.

Mann, at full back, succeeded to the position rather unexpectedly, but it is questionable if any man could have filled the place more satisfactorily than he did throughout the season. He played football every moment of the game, had the confidence of the whole team and of the college, and saved the day for us several times by his steadiness and vim. We have use for such men as he.

Evans played his end well on the offense, he and DeVotie having become almost masters in the art of boxing a tackle. He used his head well in running with the ball, and he followed the plays closely. His one serious fault is his inability to rush in and stop end plays; but he showed an increasing improvement in this respect throughout the fall. Roosa, at the other end, played such a cool-headed, accurate game of football, that he gives promise of becoming one of the best ends we ever had.

It is doubtful if we ever have had such another center as Blakely, and equally doubtful if his superior exists on the gridiron today. We believe he never made a poor pass in any game, and his general play is of the same high order. Blakely saw a football for the first time when he entered freshman, but he was determined to learn and he did learn. You freshmen now and henceforth take your lesson from his example. The college cannot deal too kindly with "Blake." We owe him a debt of admiration and respect that few of our graduates can claim.

"Flix" Wills' all-round efficiency is too well known to require comment. His wonderful defensive playing and

his ability to make openings saved us many a time. When we could gain nowhere else, "Flix" had a hole ready. He was not so successful running with the ball as was Speh, whose elephantine leaps and bounds for 15 and 20 yards at a clip made our sidelines howl with joy. And in this feature Barrows and DeVotie were not far behind. Each of them, running from his position, was always sure of a gain. Their substitutes, Dowling, Lambert and Thompson, were almost as good. Lambert's plunges in the Colgate game will long be remembered. All three of these men played football with the grit and nerve we like to see.

Our substitutes showed what they could do, when they took the places of the regulars in the second half of the Rochester game. The example that Mangan, Pratt, Robinson, Mackintyre, Nellis, Ehret, Bennett, France, and the rest have set thus far not only redounds to their individual credit, but it should shame into action some men who are hugging their rooms when they might be doing things for their country. We haven't many such, but we don't like to think that there are even some. Mangan and Dowling have worked four and three years respectively for an H, but their reward has come, as it is sure to come to every man who enters into the spirit of things as they have done.

This summary would not be complete without a tribute to the magnificent exhibition of nerve put up by Barrows, particularly in the Colgate game. Bruised and battered until he could hardly stand erect, he played on with shut teeth, hard as ever, while those who knew, saw and wondered and admired. No such display of pure grit have we ever seen anywhere.

We have few faults and mistakes to record. What there were, concern possible improvement in the details of individual playing; and to correct

these next fall is the time, the field of practice, the place. We have every reason to feel proud of our team of 1902, and we may inscribe its record beneath the Gym. group with welcome to all to observe.

The three seniors, Peet, Blakely, and DeVotie, we shall miss sorely. They have served their college well, and in one sense their work is done; but we should be glad to have them feel it their duty to "come back next fall" and help us out. We wish them the best in the football game of the outer world's activities.

Just now has come a press report that the balance in our football treasury is \$619.04. This is well; and now is the time for the management to take immediate steps toward securing three things: (1) sweaters for every man on the 'varsity, (2) caps with H., or a similar emblem for the scrub; these things are deserved and should be attended to; (3) suitable equipment for the scrub next year, and a training table for the regulars. These last items are recognized as essentials by every one, and hitherto only lack of funds has prevented the furnishing thereof. The manager should now avail himself of this fund to provide these necessities; and not lull himself into a dreamy inactivity in the thought that he won't have to raise any money next fall.

To the team of 1902: Farewell! You have passed into history; but when you return to our hillside, and make the circuit of the Gym. during the intermission of some senior ball, you can stop before a group marked "1902," with just pride and with honorable satisfaction in the thought that the score or so of faces—you're own among the number—which look down upon you, are the faces of certain fellows who did their duty well, and that every one who knows them knows that they did.

**Poor Socrates!**

The following was gleaned from a recent Greek recitation, in connection with study of Socrates.

FOUR STAGES OF KNOWLEDGE.

1. We *don't know*, and don't know that we don't know—that is darkness.
2. We *don't know*, but know that we don't know—that is faith.
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4. We *know* and know that we know—that is light.

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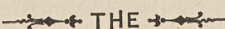
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## SUB-FRESHMEN.

Reviews are upon us and exams looming up in the very near future and then we will have three whole weeks to ourselves at home. What are you going to do then? Have a good time of course. But did you ever think that you are performing one of the best offices in your power in behalf of your college, if you give a little time and energy in talking our college and Hamilton with your younger friends, who are prospective college men and desirable? You are doing even more than that; you are paying a high tribute to your college, and exercising one of your prerogatives as a college man. Be a loyal son of Hamilton and work for her interests this vacation. It is your college duty.

## STOP IT NOW!

Everyone in college is puzzling over the thefts that have lately occurred in the dormitories. It may be an outsider; but clues point suspiciously to a student. Whoever the gentleman is, he seems to be familiar with the opportunities and so far he has seized them skillfully. The fellows are especially frank and unsuspecting in their life on the Hill under normal conditions; but they are on guard now and it will take an "artist" to elude detection. Just as sure as the thieving is repeated somebody will be caught and disgraced. We hope the stealing is at an end. If the guilty one shall happen to read the article, we hope he will stop to consider whether his conduct is worthy of his true self; and if he feels no disgrace in such action that he will at least for expediency's sake stop it now.

WE WISH to thank "Dick" Drummond for his interesting review of the football season.

## SCYLLA AND CHARYBDIS.

We have ventured to delay this issue of LIFE in order to print a review of the football season this term. We had confidently expected a review from the coach, but were compelled at the last minute to get it elsewhere. A weekly should be regular in its publishing; but we promised the review and so, rather than break our promise, we have ventured to delay the issue. We think it worth while; if you do not,—well, pardon us.

## GOOD WORK, FRESHMEN!

Good work, freshmen! This on two points. You have arrived at the fact that to tear up sidewalks that are in no need of repair is all nonsense. Next year's class ought to know enough to let all sidewalks alone, and it will know enough if it is willing to learn from your experience. We are not iconoclasts.

The second point is that you promptly sat on what at first seemed factional politics. No opportunity should be lost to sit hard upon the student who assumes to electioneer and fix up slates along party lines. Let the best men be chosen every time. If you are to elect six officers and the best six are all from one "crowd" elect them just the same. Otherwise the "honors" will cease to be honors. You did well at your election. Keep it up.

## Coach Berrien.

In connection with the review of the football season, we wish to speak of Coach Berrien. He came here last fall unknown to us. Although this was his first season as coach, we at once recognized his ability. We had a nucleus for a team and some good material. Berrien set to work never sparing himself in the least. With the exception of "Davy," he developed an entirely new back-field, and practically the whole right of the line. We hoped for an average team, but he put onto the field for us a team which far surpassed even expectations. It was work that did it, and Berrien did his share, and then the team worked, for they liked Berrien because of his zeal and unflagging diligence to give Hamilton a good team. If at times he seemed unjustly severe, it was for the best; and then football is no place for parley or playfulness. Speaking of severity, some of the seniors remember the coaching of '99, and can

compare the work demanded then and now. Berrien never hesitated to criticize nor did he stint just praise. He wanted the team to win out, that's all, and so for the second best, if not the best football season that Hamilton has ever known, we extend our grateful thanks chiefly to our "head coach", Berrien. He is a good coach and a jolly good fellow; we are glad that we have met him and we wish him the best of luck.

BLALELY '03.

## January Hop Unwise.

It was suggested in last week's LIFE by some one, that the sophomore hop which has been abandoned be reconsidered for the next term some time in January. The writer acknowledged that junior prom. comes in the early part of February, but it seemed to him that the long winter months would pass more quickly and more pleasantly, if we had another dance besides the junior to enliven the hill.

To begin with the plan is unwise because of the necessary proximity of the dances. We all of us should like to support all the college dances, but many of the fellows feel their means and time limited to two, or possibly a third, if held in fall term. The nearness in the occurrence of these two dances this coming term would result in the partial failure of each. The sophomores would no doubt feel duty bound to attend their class dance to the neglect of junior in the following month and the juniors would have to slight "hop" to attend the "prom."

There is no doubt but that junior is the more desirable and important occasion of the two and it would seem politic to give a junior which will be a credit to the college, rather than have the hop run as a counter-attraction.

Junior has the added advantage of precedence, and the fact that there is a week of fraternity receptions to fill out the week and musical club concerts, together with basket-ball game and the proposed Latin play. Another standpoint from which to view the affair is the consideration that if a hop were then given, it would at the most be a class dance with but few fraternity dances to help out and a possible basket-ball game. This fact would necessitate a poor dance and we do not wish a college dance of that sort to be given here, when our guests of previous Februaries and

Junes have such a good impression of our dances and the Hill.

It is a laudable ambition of the sophomores to continue their frolic by a hop, and it shows good class and college spirit, but the mode is ill-timed. The sophomore class should be very sure that they are acting for the best interests of the college and of their class, before they endeavor to hold the dance as seems to be proposed. It is more than class matter; it concerns the college at large.

**Chess Club.**

Mr. Watson, of Clinton, has kindly volunteered to coach the team which shall play next term. He may have time to play other members of the club, —let us try him. He knows the game.

Landers, Tate and Wright are a committee to provide furniture for the club. Voluntary contributions will save them time. The upper room in Silliman Hall, at the disposal of the club, is a cosy and quiet spot for our tables.

**Church and Y. M. C. A.**

At Princeton Saturday was being celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the formation of the Student Y. M. C. A. of the United States and Canada. Hunter '03 represented Hamilton, and will report next Sunday.

Let the 17th of December be the last day of grace for the payment of dues. It will be hard for all to see the collector on that day, so anticipate it by two weeks if possible. Let us meet our obligations.

**Freshmen Election.**

After noon chapel, last Wednesday, the freshmen held a meeting to elect officers for the present year. The following men were chosen: President, Harry Barrows; vice-president, George Sicard; secretary, A. Thompson; treasurer, Jas. Hosmer. Alex. Drummond was elected manager of basket-ball.

**Is It I?**

Where is the man who has not said At evening, when we went to bed, "I'll waken with the crowing cock, And get to work by six o'clock?"

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## Local Department.

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### College Notes.

—That sidewalk!  
 —Were you shut out?  
 —Dr. Stuart is a winner.  
 —Seniors' last chapel Saturday, Dec. 6th.  
 —Root '05 will return to college next term.  
 —Prof. Wilbur will not return to college next term.  
 —Don't smoke in the gym. during basket-ball practice!  
 —Pratt '06 inquires of "Uncle" John when the exam. in gym. work comes off.  
 —The freshmen convert their class-meeting into a free-for-all smoking carnival.  
 —You missed that inspiring manly address of Prof. Wood by cutting Y. M. C. A. Nov. 30.  
 —Arthur '03 drops a quarter in class and "Prex." informs him that no admission is charged.  
 —The football team will have their picture taken and a captain for next year will be elected.  
 —Abbey '05 looks sheepish when "Bill Shep." corrects him for calling a shepherdess, a mountinness.  
 —Duncan '06 has sufficiently recovered from his accident so that he is now able to attend recitations.  
 —Weber '05 almost caused a row Wednesday by ducking some freshmen from his window in south.  
 —Freshmen had a re-election at which Thompson was elected to the vice-presidency, in place of Sicard.  
 —Dr. Stewart, president of Auburn Theological Seminary, preached an exceptionally good sermon Sunday.  
 —Harper '03 and Robinson '05 attended the Philaethis dance at Vassar which was given last Friday evening.  
 —Hamilton has sent Hunter '03 as a delegate to the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Volunteer Movement, celebrated at Princeton.  
 —According to Chapman '03 the correct pronunciation of cohair, is co-hair, stress of voice and downward slide being on the last syllable.  
 —Mr. Powers, of Clinton, by his attitude and generosity during a recent trial has proved himself a strong supporter of Hamilton, and the student-body is proud to know that it has a friend in this attorney.

—On Tuesday, "Rood" was seen upon the campus wildly gesticulating. On Wednesday the cause of his absent-mindedness was explained.

—Basket-ball practice has been going on this past week. About twenty men are out. There are several candidates among the freshmen who are showing up well.

—"Square" lectured to the juniors Wednesday and invited the math. sharks over to dinner Saturday. The dinner was served after the exam. this year, instead of in the evening.

—Prof. Wilbur employed the following interesting illustration of a point in syntax, in sophomore Greek. "John is a blacksmith. Blacksmith limits John. Hence John is a blacksmith John."

—Prof. Wilbur is compiling an English translation of Plato's "Apology of Socrates." Each member of the Greek class contributes the translation of half a page each day and these pages are bound together in the order of sequence.

—The "gym." floor has been rather too slippery so far this season for basket-ball, but it is beginning to get into shape again. Practice on a slippery floor will do the team considerable good, inasmuch as they may sometimes play on a floor which cannot be rosined.

—The telephone company are putting up a new set of poles on the hill and will hereafter run two wires into each house instead of one as before. Also, they will reduce the number of subscribers, making a line for the houses at the foot of the hill, and a second for those on the hill. This will give better service to all and will lessen the constant ringing of the bell.

—Several fellows have posted notices lately of money and valuables that have been stolen both from the gym. and dormitories. There have been about a dozen of these robberies during the past term, but as yet no one has been caught. Everyone should be careful about leaving money, a watch or any valuable article in a careless place. The fellows should try to catch the thief, and if successful in landing him, deal out justice in the most convenient way.

### Athletic Association Doings.

The Advisory Board met Friday evening, Dec. 5th, and did much that was routine and much that was interesting. The treasurer's report was unusually favorable. The eleven 'varsity men receive sweaters. A revision committee was appointed to look over the constitution.

The following nominees recommended by the board were elected at the association meeting after Saturday chapel on the next day: President, Prof. Squires; vice-president, Prof. White; secretary, Ferguson '04; treasurer, Prof. Robinson; Carter '04 was elected manager of football, and Schwab '05 assistant, Representative from '05, Mann; from '06, Drummond. Alumni representatives: T. M. Pomeroy '42, M. W. Stryker '72, J. S. Sherman '78, F. M. Calder '82, G. E. VanKennen '86, Spencer Kellogg '88, J. Rudd '90, F. J. DeLaFleur '95, R. G. Kelsey '98, F. Cunningham '99, R. C. S. Drummond '01. Representatives to N. Y. S. I. A. U. are: Student, Wicks '04; faculty, Prof. Squires; alumnus, Geo. E. Dunham '79. The association voted expressions of thanks to former president Prof. White and former treasurer Prof. Saunders.

### Examination Schedule.

Thursday, Dec. 11, 9 a. m.—Seniors—History of Philosophy. Juniors—German cl. o. Sophomores—German L. S. o., French cl. w., Ex. Hall. Freshmen—French L. S. c. w., Ex. Hall. 1:30 p. m.—Seniors—French.

Friday, Dec. 12, 9 a. m.—Seniors—Finance, Zoology, Latin. Juniors—Old English, French cl. Sophomore—Greek, French, L. S. Freshmen—Greek w. Ex. Hall. French L. S. a.

Saturday, Dec. 13, 9 a. m.—Seniors—History of Education. Physics. Juniors—Am. History. Sophomores—German cl. and L. S. a. o. Freshmen—German L. S. b. o. 1:30 p. m.—Seniors Hebrew. Juniors—Chemistry cl. Sophomore—Chemistry L. S.

Monday, Dec. 15, 9 a. m.—Seniors. German and German Seminary, w. Geology. Juniors—Biology. English History. Sophomores—Biology L. S. Freshmen—Epistle of James. 1:30 p. m. Seniors—Adv. Physiology. 2 p. m. Juniors—Greek o.

Tuesday, Dec. 16, 9 a. m.—Seniors Ethics. Juniors—Latin, Physics. Sophomores—Anal. Geometry. Freshmen—Latin w. Ex. Hall.

Wednesday, Dec. 17, 9 a. m.—Seniors—Am. History, Chemistry. Juniors—Psychology. Sophomores—Studies of the Apostle Paul.

Thursday, Dec. 18, 9 a. m.—Seniors—Chr. Evidences. Juniors—Church History. Sophomores—Latin w. Freshmen—Elocution w. Ex. Hall.

P. S.—Unless otherwise indicated, examinations will be held in rooms where recitations were held.



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—The examination schedule has been posted in the library. The usual groans are in order.

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