# HAMILTON LIFE. 

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## The Intercollegiate.

It was but a small crowd of fellows that accompanied the team to Hamilton last Monday, and indeed the day-typical Decoration Day weather-was enough to discourage all but the enthusiasts. The rain, which continued from sunrise until we had boarded the train for home, soaked the field and spectators, rendering the whole meet dismal to a degree. The track, however, soaked up the water in fine shape and was quite fast, particularly for the sprints and hurdles.

Rochester sent the best team she has had in years, and at times rubbed us for second place. Nasmith and Castleman were in good enough shape to take seven firsts between them, as was expected. For Hamilton, Miner did splendid work, his hammer-throwing being remarkable on such wet turf. Sicard pushed Castleman in both sprints and captured third in the high hurdle. Roosa landed the broad jump by several inches. Wood ran a beautiful race in the mile, although jockeyed all the way, and finished close up in fast time. Grossmeyer looked like a place in the half, but unfortunately threw his shoe while turning into the stretch. The rest of the team fought hard and were beaten for places by narrow margins.

Rochester had some good men. Palmer in the hurdles showed up dangerously at times. All in all the meet was somewhat of a disappointment to us, but was perhaps as good as we had the right to expect.

## THE SUMMARY.

100-yard Dash-Intercollegiate record, 10 1-5 seconds.
Castleman, C.; Sicard, H.; Leonard C. 10 2-5 seconds.
220-yard Dash-Record, 22 I-5 seconds. Castleman, C.; Sicard, H.; Smith, C. 23 seconds.
440-yard Dash-Record, 5I 4-5 seconds. Smith, C.; Palmer, R.; Brooks,C. 52 3-5 seconds.

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## The Lit. Election

At a meeting of the Lit. Board for 1904-5, Weber, '05, was chosen editor-in-chief and Kingsley, '05, was entrusted with the business interests of the magazine. The other members of the Board are Beach, '05, Richardson, '05, Kinney, 'o6, McLean, 'o6, and Purdy, 'o6.

## Clark Prize Exhibition.

The forty-ninth Clark Prize competiwill take place on Wednesday evening, June 8. The six speakers have labored unusually hard and the contest promises to be close. The program is as follows: Music.
The Sea, the Battlefield of the Future, Paul R. Abbott.
England's Career in Ireland,
Dewey J. Carter.
Music.
The Siege of Pekin,
Louis J. Ehret.
Dante, the Prophet of Italian Unity, Albert L. Evans.

## Music.

Story of the American Whigs, James M. Lown.
The Moral Note in New England Poetry, Montague White.

## Award.

## The Class Book of '99.

' 99 has its fifth reunion this June. As a forerunner of that event, the class secretary, Henry Murray Andrews, with the assistance of G. W. Browning, Clinton's artistic printer, has issued a very dainty booklet. Its title is "The Class of '99." After five years, and to quote the words of the title page, it is "A Chronicle of the Doings of the Forty-Five Devoted Sons of their Mother Since that June Day When She sent them forth with Her Abundant Blessing." It contains three excellent cuts, one of the class when they graduated, a second of the first reunion in 1902, and a third of a deceased member of the class, Charles Crave Hawley, who died at El Paso, Texas, in 1903. The style of the chronicle is crisp and racy, brief, yet full enough to hold interest.

## Hamilton Wins at Tennis.

Thursday afternoon, though the rain threatened, the tennis teams of Hamilton and Syracuse met in an intercollegiate tournament. Syracuse sent down five men, Messrs. F. D. Clark, J. L. Train, (Capt.) E. J. Brady, C. J. Houseknecht and C. E. Woodley. 'Hamilton's team consisted of Sicard, 'o6, (Capt.,) Richardson, '05, Day, '05, Mills, '05, and Day, 'o7. The tournament was called at two o'clock.
Brady and Day opened up on the Alpha Delta Phi court, while Clark and Sicard commenced play on the College court. Both matches were notable for snappy play and brilliant strokes. Sicard put up a clever, heady game and won his match to the score of $7-5,6-3$. Day, '05, put up a strong game the first set, winning it 6-o. He weakened somewhat in the second set but pulled out the game and match, 6-4. "the first two matches were notable for net and volley plays. Train of Syracuse and Richardson put up a beautiful exhibition of the opposite style of tennis, the base line drive. Richardson is strong on back hand drives, and won his match, 6-3, 6-3.

Woodley of Syracuse and Day,'o7, tried conclusions on the College court. Woodley took, the first set handily, 6-I. Day took a brace and took the lead the second set running the score up to 4-2 in his favor, only to lose After stubbornly contesting every point, the game and match went to Woodley of Syracuse, by the score 8-6. Day pla;ed a plucky game but lacked steadiness in the first set. So far Hamilton won 3 matches and lost one.
Mills and Houseknecht played the final match of singles. This was an interesting match, but went to the Syracuse men by the score 6-3, 6-2.
The double matches were intensely exciting. Clark and Train were matched against Sicard and Richardson. The Hamilton men played fourth net and won many aces through Sicard's clever
smashing. Clark with his vicious drive kept the Hamilton men on the jump. The first set went to Hamilton, 8-6. The Syracuse men took a brace and won the second set, after stubborn play, 6-4. The final set was the critical set which was to decide the tournament. After each pair had three games, Hamilton broke away and took the set and match by the score 6-3. This match won the tournament for Hamilton.
Day, '05, and Mills however offered to play Brady and Houseknecht. This match lasted until after 7 o'clock. The Syracuse men took the first set 6.4, but Day and Mills pulled together and won the next two sets 6-3, 6-4. Both Day and Mills were somewhat erratic, but occasionally brightened the game by smashes. Thus ended the five-hour tournament.
Hamilton won three out of the five single matches and both double matches.

Manager Davis is considering taking his team to Syracuse next week for a return tournament.

## The Intercollegiate.

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Half-mile Run-Record, 2:00 4-5. Nasmith, C.; Porter, C.; Hanford, R. 2:07 4-7.
One-mile Run-Record, 4:35 3-5.
Nasmith, C.; Hanford, R.; Wood, H. 4:41 4-5.
Two-mile Run-Record, 10:25 3-5.
Nasmith, C.; Burton, C.; Leech, C. Time, record, 10:15 3-5.
120-yard Hurdle-Record, 16 2-5 seconds. Castleman, C.; Murray, C.; Sicard, H.
Time, record, 16 seconds.
220-yard Hurdle-Record, 27 seconds. Castleman, C.; Palmer, R.; Murray, C. Time, record, 26 I- 5 seconds.
Shot Put-Record, 36 feet $81 / 2$ inches.
Miner, H.; Gilbert, R.; Cushing, R. 35 feet $7 \frac{3 / 4}{4}$ inches.
Hammer Throw-Record, 124 ft .8 in . Miner, H.; Deming, C.; Thurber, C. 122 feet 9 inches.
Broad Jump-Record, 2I feet 5 inches. Roosa, H.; Castleman, C.; Lewis, C. 19 feet 7 inches.
High Jump-Record, 5 feet $41 / 2$ inches. Benedict, C.; Bagg, H., and Lewis, C., tied. 5 feet $21 / 2$ inches.
Pole Vault-Record, io feet 6 inches.
Hallock, R.; Driscoll, H., Nichols, C., tied. 9 feet.
Points-Colgate, 7I; Hamilton, 27; Rochester, 19.
Referee-J. F. O'Neil.
Starter-Walker Matteson.
Clerk of Course-D. B. Lisle.
Announcer-S. B. Sisson.

## The Baseball Trip.

The two return games with Hobart and Rochester were played Friday and Saturday of last week.
The former occurred at Geneva on Friday and was attended by several of our alumni. Mason, 'oo; Maxwell, Huff and Becker, '03, and Scoon, 'o7, encouraged the team with spirited yells.

Hamilton came up to bat first. Stiles made a one-base hit and stole second. He succeeded in reaching the plate by sacrifices. Newton pitched for Hamilton and did fine work for his first attempt. Doup was struck out and Limbeck and Rogers could get no farther than first.

In the fourth inning Farrell got in one of his oldtime hits and the dormitory prevented the ball from being lost in the distance. As it was, two men scored and Farrell reached third.
Limbeck went in the box for Hobart in the fifth inning. Bramley and Stiles gave a fine exhibition of ball during the next inning. Stiles had taken too great a lead from third. Bramley, to save him, ran down from second, succeeded in rattling the third baseman to the extent that he made a wild throw, and both men were safe. The entire game was marked by steady, fast playing on the part of each man. Newton, especially, should be mentioned for the excellence of his work.

THE SCORE:

HAMILTON, 7 . A.B. R. IB.
Stiles, 1
LeMunyan, 3b
$\begin{array}{lll}4 & 1 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 & \end{array}$
Ferris, r.f
Bramley, 2b.
Sherman, c
Nixon, ss.
Judd, ib.
Newton,
. .4
$\begin{array}{lll}5 & 2 & 2 \\ 5 & 0 & 1\end{array}$

Umpire-Little. Struck out-By New-
ton, II; by Limbeck, 8 ; by Williams, 3. Bases on balls-Off Williams, 4. Twobase hits-Bramley, Ferris. Three-base hit, Farrell.

ROCHESTER GAME
The game with Rochester was played at Canandaigua Park Saturday afternoon. The grounds were in very poor condition, the infield being soft and the outfield rough. As Rochester was also holding a track meet with Union there was a good crowd in attendance. Van Allen and Signor, '02, and Palmer, Harwood and Hosmer were on hand to meet the team.

The game was called at $40^{\prime}$ clock with Hamilton at bat, but the side was retired without a run. Wolcott succeeded in crossing the plate for Rochester. In the second inning Farrell got to first on balls and brought in a run, tying the score. It remained a tie until the fifth, when the team went up into the air for a few minutes. Soper struck out Reid, the first man to bat, but a two-bagger by Morris started the ball rolling. The inning did not close until nine men had reached home, breaking the tie with a vengeance.
Newton, although he had pitched a hard game at Geneva on Friday, went in the box for Hamilton during the sixth inning and played a good game. While he was doing the twirling Rochester gained only three more runs to Hamilton's seven, making the final score 14-8. in favor of the former.

## THE SCORE.

ROCHESTER, 14.
A.B. R. IB.

Umpire - Leach. Struck out - By Brandt, 4; by Soper, 1 ; by Newton, 6. Base on balls-Off Brandt, 4; off Soper, 1. Two-base hits - Newton, Wolcott, Pultz.

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1904 has laid down the editorial quill. Our chief, "Flix" Wills, and his associates, Wicks, Collins, Bristol, Bastian and A.S. Davis, have retired from the staff magna cum laude. Although they have put the mantle of responsibility upon 1905, we are confident that they will always retain a hearty interest and affection for the publication through which they expressed so faithfully the thought and feeling of the student body. The new editors assume their duties with mingled feelings of inefficiency and shyness in making their maiden editorial attempt under the eye of their experienced predecessors. A stronger impulse, however, prompts us to start boldly and to profit by the criticism of our seniors and of the college. We trust that our critics will not deal too harshly with us at first, but will mix their criticism with good will : and kindness. The new editors earnestly desire that suggestions and criticisms be offered, not at random, but directly to those in charge.

## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS.

Now that all signs point toward an increase in the number of students in college, it would seem advisable to use all possible means to persuade more men to come here. It may be a surprise to many that the entrance requirements would keep a fellow out of college, but the writer knows of three such cases in the incoming class.
These three men are very desirous of entering Hamilton next fall. They do not, however, feel inclined to enter with a condition in "Outlines of General History" which is one of the requirements
for the course leading to the B. S. degree. Although only three have come under our attention there are without doubt more sub-freshmen who will ve kept away from the Hill because of that one requirement.

Nor are they wrong in the stand which they take. As far as we are able to learn, such a topic is taught in no High School in this part of the state, and Central New York can boast of some first class institutions. Now we would ask those who have the matter in charge, how can a man be prepared in the "Outlines of General History" if it is taught in no first-class preparatory school? And not only is it not taught but the best authorities upon history in the state assert that it is preferable to give the work which that topic covers to more mature scholars than High School students are.

This is no idle thought. It is a matter of prime importance. If we would increase our numbers we should certainly remove all bars which our entrance requirements may furnish. It would be advisable when the next catalogues are issued to omit "General History" as a requirement for Latin Scienticfi men.

## New Elective System.

Much dissatisfaction is felt throughout college with the new rule governing electives. The previous system allowed each man to hand in his elective cards for the three following terms, during the later part of spring term, and then gave him the privilege of changing on the day before college opened, each term. By the new system, the student must hand in three elective cards before June 8th, on which he must have the subjects for all of the next year. In the fall he may change all his electives, but after the term has once begun he cannot change his cards for the other two terms. In short, a student must elect his entire year's course in September, instead of having the privilege of electing at the beginning of each term. The faculty hold that the new rule is put through in order to avoid "cinch" electing. It is not apparent how it accomplishes its end, for electing college "cinches" is not guess work, but a well taught profession.
-Driscoll, 'o6, and Bagg, '07, won their "Hs" in the intercollegiate meet on Monday.

## Dr. George Griffith.

In the death of Dr. George Griffith Hamilton loses a loyal friend and an alumnus upon whom dependence could always be placed in his support of Hamilton. The sad circumstances which accompanied his death cause the loss to be felt even more keenly. Dr. Griffith had gone to Honnedaga Lake for a short vacation in order to recover from the effects of a hard year of work. Last Saturday afternoon he took his light Adirondack boat and went out on the lake to fish. This was the last that was seen of him and the details of the accident which befell him will never be known. Late in the afternoon his boat was found floating on the lake upside down. A search was begun at once but not until Monday afternoon was the body recovered. Dr. Griffith was a strong man and had swum a long distance toward shore from the place where his fishing rod was found, but the water in the lake at this time of the year is very cold and for a man to swim any distance in it hampered by the weight of his clothes is impossible. The body was brought to Utica and the funeral was held Thursday afternoon from the Westminster Church.
Dr. Griffith was born September II, 1853, in Trenton, New York. He entered Hamilton in the class of '77, and while in college proved himself an especially capable man, a reputation to which he has been adding constantly since his graduation. His entire life has been devoted to teaching and since 1892 he has been superintendent of schools in Utica. His loss there will be greatly felt for he has done much toward the improvement of the Utica schools during the many years of his work there.

## The May Lit.

With the May issue the thirty-eighth volume of the Lit. is completed. The board of editors deserve great praise for the uniformly high literary standard which they have maintained throughout the year. The main features of the May number are a poem by Weber, '05, in memory of Dr. Terrett, who died just two years ago, an article on the Department of Rhetoric and Oratory, a poem by M. White, '04, and an essay on Cairo and the Nile Valley by Beach, '05. There are also several interestigg stories.

## The Advisory Board Meeting．

The regular meeting of the Advisory Board for spring term was held last Thursday evening in Silliman Hall．All the assistant managers were nominated to the position of manager of their re－ spective departments．Scoon，＇07，was nominated as assistant manager of track，Kuolt，＇07，of baseball，Brokaw， ＇o6，of basket－ball，Purdy，＇o6，of tennis， and French，＇o6，of the musical clubs． After the nomination of managers the report of the committee for interscholas－ tic day was given and approved．The most important discussion of the even－ ing was that which arose over the motion of Dr．Squires that the Hamilton Literary Monthly be placed under the supervision of the Advisory Board．At present the board nominates the men who are to be placed on the staff；these names are then submitted to the faculty for their approval or disapproval and are then given to the college body to vote upon．Under the new method the names would have to be considered also by the Advisory Board．There was con－ siderable discussion over this motion and in the absence of definite informa－ tion as to the present condition of the magazine，it was decided to appoint a committee to consider the matter and to make a report at the next meeting．

The manager of basket－ball also had a proposition to present to the board．A request has come from Colgate and Syracuse that these three colleges enter into an agreement to play certain east－ ern colleges during the basket－ball sea－ son．This does not mean that Hamil－ ton will have to play Syracuse but that she will agree to play these eastern col－ lege teams so that they can make it a paying venture to come to this part of the country．In this way each college will have to pay a much smaller guaran－ tee than would be the case it any one college tried to get one of the teams from the east to come here．It was de－ cided that the manager shall be allowed to enter into the agreement provided that no one guarantee shall be more than $\$ 50$ ．

The question of the Literary Monthly and whether it ought to be taken under the Advisory Board is deserving of care－ ful consideration，and before the matter is finally decided the college will have to take a vote．There are plenty of ar－ guments on both sides and it would be a good thing if they could be published in Life before the final vote is taken．

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## College Notes.

-Miller, 'o3, accompanied the track team to Hamilton.
-Hoyt, '05, reports a successful fishing trip in the north.
-Dr. E. W. Lyttle, '78, made a short visit on the Hill Thursday.
-Hayes, '05, has returned to recitations after a light attack of grip.
-Scoon, 'o7, spent the later part of last week at his home in Geneva.
-Stowell, '05, made a few days' sojourn at his home in Ithaca last week.
-All omens point toward a rousing D. T. initiation in the near future.
-Samuel Adams, ' 9 , has been the guest of Dr. Brandt during the past week.
-"Uncle John" has left for his summer vacation. Good luck to you, "Uncle."
-Rath of Utica has signed a contract to furnish all the music for Commencement week.
-The baseball season ends today with the game at Hamilton. Let every man in college stand by the team and attend.
-Prof. Smith, assistant in mathematics at Colgate and graduate of the University of Chicago, spent Tuesday on the Hill.
-The R. G. Society had an initiation Friday night. It was more elaborate than former ones and was prolonged far into the night.
-Spedick, 'o6, while standing in front of South College made the discovery that April showers come even during the month of June.
-Hereafter, but four men will be chosen for the Life board, and only those who have written during Freshman year will be eligible.
-Mr. L. D. Bishop, '05, of the University of California, who is making a tour of the eastern colleges, visited the Psi Upsilon house on Thursday.
-J. Allen, 'o7, deserves much credit for the plucky race which he ran in the two-mile run at the intercollegiate. He has the pluck which counts.
-The new memorial windows have been placed in the Chapel. One, in honor of Azel Backus, president of the College from 1812-16, was presented by his grandson. The other is a memorial to the late Dr. Oren Root, for so many years professor of mathematics in this College.
-The college was agreeably surprised by the good work of Newton, '07, as pitcher during the recent trip. Next season he should be a strong man on the team.
-Hamilton is to meet Cornell on the gridiron next fall, as far as Cornell is concerned, for the Cornell Advisory Board at their last meeting gave their approval. It will be played at Ithaca.
-Soper has been elected chairman of the senior ball committee. Davis, D. J. Dowling, Wicks, Edgerton, Pratt, Wood and Evans are the other members.
-Munger, '05, attended a reception at St. Agnes School, Albany, on Saturday night. During the early part of the week he visited friends in Poughkeepsie.
-It has been reported on good au thority that seventy-two men were resistered for 1908 at the beginning of this morth. This is a record, if correct.
-During the past week the walks on the Campus have been leveled and trimmed. While such work is being done, it might be well to repair the board walk above the arbor, which is in poor condition.
-We welcome "Banjo Ben" to our midst again. The Freshman can sit under the trees on these balmy summer evenings and dream of the "girl" at home, while his heart beats time to Ben's twanging strings.
-The R. G. Club has elected its officers for next year. At the last meeting several new members were initiated, namely: Scott, J. Clark, E. Clark, Bagg and Fake. It now looks as though the society would be perpetuated, $n$ otwithstanding the fact that many upperclassmen frown upon it.
-Captain Speh called the football men together on Thursday afternoon and announced that spring practice will begin on June 6th, and continue ten days. "Nelse" Drummond, 'o2, will coach this spring, and all candidates for next year's 'varsity should come out, as much can be gained by this preliminary work.
-On Wednesday evening, after K. P., the Freshman Frolic will be held in society Hall. This is the first Freshman dance since 1905 gave its frolic. The committee has done all in its power to make the dance a success and it now rests with the student body to back the Freshmen up. With good music, a good floor, and a feeling of content with all the world, the Senior can dance out of College life. Those wishing advance programmes can obtain them on Monday from any member of the committee.

## The Hamiltonian.

The skeptics were released from any further anxiety in regard to the 1905 Hamiltonian by its tardy appearance last Saturday. The book is well worth the waiting. Each class strives to make their annual "the best yet" and r905 can truly say that theirs is of the first order. It is not necessary to delineate its merits. You all know them by this time. The editors were Schwab, Stowell, Springstead, Wright, Rogers, Abbey, Kingsley and Hayes.

## Anniversary of '79.

The class of ' 79 will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary this Commencement and a large number of the members of that class are expected to be present. They have given $\$ 300$ with which a portrait window in memory of the late Dr. Oren Root has been purchased. Dr. Root was professor of mathematics when ' 79 was in College. The window was made in London and is a farr likeness, although Dr. Stryker says that it does not represent him in his proper proportions. This makes the twelfth memorial window to be placed in the Chapel.

## Hamilton Alumni of Syracuse.

Last week at Syracuse a number of Hamilton College alumni met at the University Club and organized a Hamilton Alumni Association. These officers were elected: President, A. Judd Northrup; vice president, Charles G. Baldwin; secretary-treasurer, Dr. B. W. Sherwood. The alumni present at the organization were: A. Judd Northrup, '58; M. H. Northrup, '6o; A. K. Hoyt, '63; C. E. Baldwin, '71; A. C. Phillips, '7I; C. L. Stone. '7I; O. A. Hess, '8i; B. W. Sherwood, '82; Rev. A. J. Abeel, $\mid$ M. D., '83; T. K. Gale, '84; I. N. Gere, '84, and Rev. Alex. Wouters, '93. If Syracuse can support an alumni association, why can not Utica? Surely Utica has both location and numbers in her favor.

## Y. M. C. A. Notes.

At 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon the regular communion service of the term will be observed in the College chapel. Dr. Stryker will be in charge.
Prof. Ibbotson occupied the pulpit last Sunday in the absence of President Stryker.

At the Senior farewell meeting in Silliman Hall last week, Merrick, Rockwell, Rogers and Purdy in a quartette selection added very much to the attractiveness of the service.

For June i2th another song service, similar to the first one of the term, is scheduled.

You fellows who were at the Northfield "buzz" in the Commons a week or so ago, keep up interest in the "ten men scheme." If the ten men can be sesured to go to the Northfield conference, the money to send them will be provided.

The May issue of the Intercollegian has considerable interesting matter on Bible study, summer conferences and reports from abroad.

The fraternity Bible study system is proving successful in many western and eastern institutions.
-The iron staircase for the new dormitory is nearly completed.
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