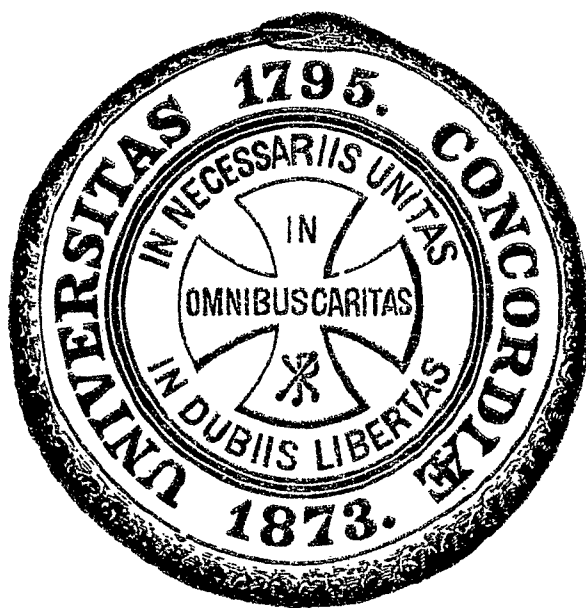


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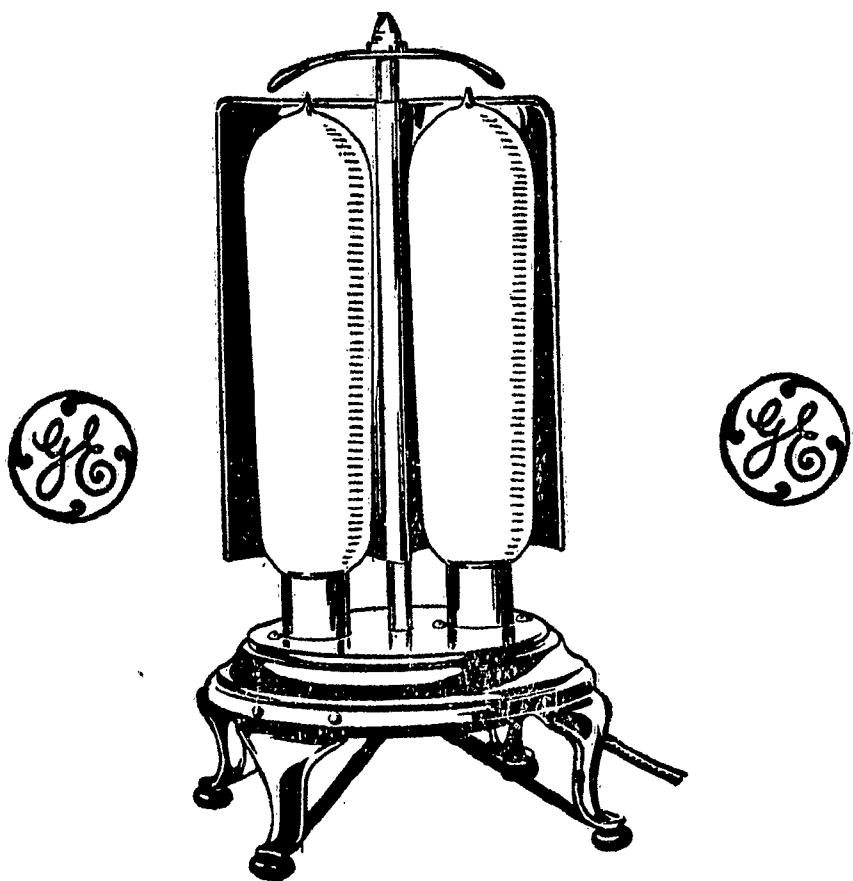
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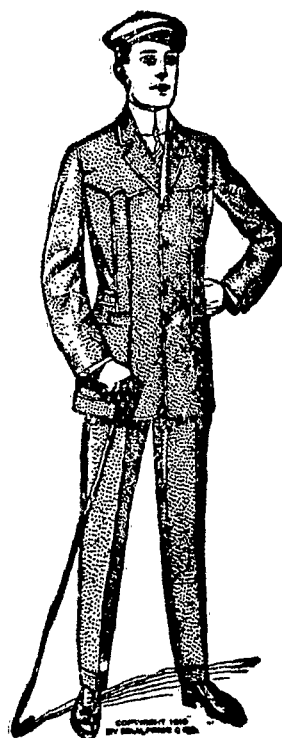


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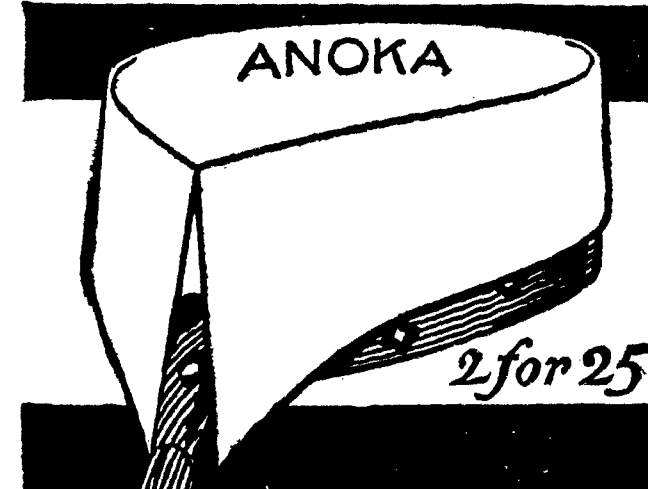
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## ROUGH WORK WINS FOR CORNELL.

There's very little to be said about the Cornell-Union basketball game last week in Ithaca. Our boys went up there Wednesday, the news got back here Wednesday night that the score was 23 to 18 in favor of the Ithacans, and the team itself showed up, bedraggled and tired, Thursday night.

There isn't much to say about the game in the first place because, according to "Jake" Beaver, it wasn't a game of basketball at all. In the second place, there's nothing funny in it, as the sporting page editor has little chance to wreak his awful humor on a perfectly good sport. A philosophic thought is that three more baskets would have tied the score. Another is that three baskets too few and a clean record at the end of the game for straight basketball without the assistance of pugilism (even in "the manly art of self-defense") or the aid of a referee's rather tactless tactics more than makes up for the loss of a game to Cornell. Was it Poor Richard or Eliphalet Nott or one of the Prophets who said that something is much more to be desired than gold—yea, than much fine gold? Whoever pulled that put it right across. We leave the inference with our customary sagacity to be inferred.

The little apache dance in the Ithaca armory was fast going all the time. In the

first half Cornell outstepped Union to the tune of 15 to 8. Union's slow start was taken advantage of by the Ithacans, but in the second half the pace began to tell on Cornell and the "Garnet" scored ten points to her opponents' eight. The small floor gave no chance for Union's fast open play and long passwork, while Cornell's third-rail style of play left no chance for a straight game. (You know, or perhaps you don't, that third rail is the stuff with the kick in it.) There was no symptom of stage-fright on the team—all the boys played their heads off. Houghton alone was a tower of strength, outplaying his opponent in every department of the game, holding Cross to a blank score and dropping five baskets himself, as well as two goals from foul. The rest of the team were not so fortunate in holding their men to low scores. "Dave" Beaver shot two baskets and "Jake" one.

"Peck" Cleveland started the game at right guard. He stayed in the game till the middle of the second half, when "Wally" Girling succeeded him in the far corner.

The score:

Cornell.	Position.	Union.
Brown	Left Forward	D. Beaver
Cross	Right Forward	J. Beaver
Haeberle	Center	Woods

Jordorf ..... Houghton  
                                     Left Guard  
 G. Halsted ..... Cleveland  
                                     Right Guard

Field goals—Brown, 2; Haeberle, 2; Jordorf, 1; Halsted, 6; J. Beaver, 1; D. Beaver, 2; Houghton, 5. Goals from foul—Halsted, 1; Houghton, 2. Substitutes—H. Halsted for Haeberle, Shelton for Cross, Girling for Cleveland. Time of halves—20 minutes. Referee—Marshall of Maine.

### IS CIVILIZATION WORTH WHILE?

A few weeks ago in the Sunday edition of the New York Tribune you may have noticed that Dan Crawford, who returned to America for a short time, after twenty-three years in the heart of Africa, ridiculed strongly your methods of living. He spoke vigorously against our civilization, questioning whether it were worth while. It started me wondering. Is civilization really worth while after all? What have we gained by civilization? We live all huddled up together in cities. We are developing defective eyesight, hearing, breathing. And as for vice—we have robberies and murders in the heart of our greatest cities, white slave traffic seems to flourish, and corrupt politics, and other things of like nature make one wonder if there really is a sane, honest, wholesome person in the country.

At first I thought—really civilization is not a thing to be desired. Are not the uncivilized people happy? Do they miss anything essential because they are uncivilized? Perhaps they don't know about it, so it doesn't bother their happiness. Well, next day I happened to go down to the Schenectady Library, looking for a certain book. I found the book, which was on Africa, by the way. Inside the cover I found an old, yellow, much-soiled manu-

script. Of course, I unfolded it, and across the front page read: "A few selections from the diary I kept while in Africa from 1882-1909—A. J. Waterbury."

I pocketed the manuscript for fear the librarian would remove it when I asked to take the book. When I reached the house again I turned to a sort of preface in the manuscript and read:

"Dear Jack—I have prepared the few incidents about which you inquired. I sincerely hope they will meet your need and that by their aid you may obtain the results you long for. I took them from my diary at random, so that you might feel safe in saying that they were not chosen with a view to proving your point."

Then I read the diary, from which I, too, made the selections as follows:

"June 3—We must rise early, to journey before the sun becomes warm, for the poor barefooted folks find that the sand becomes so hot that it cracks open the soles of their feet, which ulcerate and so prevent them from traveling. The traveling is impeded greatly by the narrowness of the trail, and the overhanging trees. Some of the bushes possess sharp thorns that must be avoided if one wishes to travel with a whole skin.

"June 9—Now we are out of the tree land, and have come to that covered with grass ten or twelve feet high. The nights are cold and the dew forms on this tall grass. When we start out early in the morning it shakes down upon us, wetting us to the skin. This makes it very uncomfortable for traveling, because it is still cool early in the morning, although by noon it resembles a smelting furnace. Later in the year all this grass is burned off, and the land takes on the appearance of a charcoal desert.

"June 12—Today I had my first awakening to the horrors of the slave trade here. Our party was met by a party of slaves carrying ivory to the coast. I never have

seen such utterly wretched specimens of humanity in all my life. To you it is impossible to adequately describe the filthy, diseased condition of those poor human beings. They were not only scarred by the lash, but their feet and their shoulders, on which they carried the ivory, were masses of open filthy sores, upon which the flies swarmed, sucking the flowing blood. They had **existed** through that thousand-miles journey! Our trifling difficulties sank out of sight in the contemplation of theirs. It stirred me to the core. I walked up to one of the Arabs and spoke with him through an interpreter. I asked him if he did not see that most of those poor creatures were unfit to carry their burdens.

"They have no choice. They **must**, or die."

"Have you lost many on the way?"

"Oh, yes; numbers have died of hunger."

"What do you do when they become too ill to travel?"

"Spear them at once," replied the fiend. "If we did not the rest would play sick. No, we never leave them on the road alive. They know how we act."

"I see women carrying not only ivory, but babies on their backs. What do you do if she becomes too weak to carry the ivory? Who carries it?"

"She does. We cannot leave valuable ivory along the road. We spear the child to make her burden lighter. Ivory first, child afterwards."

"I don't wonder such scenes drove Livingston to his task. I shall surely do what I can to help continue it."

"November 4—The fishing here on Lake Tanganyika is wonderful, but not without its drawbacks. After a short excursion I and my two negro boys were sitting on the shore of the lake. They grew tired of the inactivity and went in swimming. I continually warned them against venturing far from the shore, but one of them wore a

charm around his neck, and answered all my warnings by pointing to it. What looked like a piece of sugarcane came floating down along the shore. He swam for it with a gleeful shout. As he neared the object it seemed to suck him under, and with a lash of its huge tail turned and swam for deep water, leaving only a trail of blood. The 'cane' was a crocodile's tail.

"December 10—Today I was awakened once more to the horrors of African 'civilization.' I stopped at a village at the base of the Kaboga mountains. I saw an object suspended nearby. It seemed to be a man hanging head downward. I inquired concerning the object. It is a slave who has been hung there to remove the disgrace placed upon the chief by having his son born with only three fingers. I went up to examine the man. There he was, hanging head downward over a nest of red biting ants. These insects are dreaded by everyone. They swarm all over one, biting viciously, and any attempt to drive them away only excites them to a fiercer attack. Around the poor victim's eyes some sticky substance had been smeared, so that the ants would not blind him. My canoe boys told me that the ants would not cross this substance, and that it was placed there so that he might **see** the ants coming at him, as they did in thousands. He was quite dead when we reached him. His body was a mass of sores, covered with thousands upon thousands of ants.

"January 3—Today I saw the results of a native amputation. A man had crushed his leg and they had removed that member. They performed the operation with a partially sharpened ax, for they seem to have found out that the arteries and veins close up more quickly if not cut with a keen instrument. Of course, no anesthetic had been given the patient.

"February 8—I learned how these people dispense justice today. A man had been

found with his skull crushed in. An old man was suspected, and although he loudly declared his innocence, he was condemned to the poison ordeal. They had taken the old man, together with the corpse, out into the woods. He was forced to sit beside it for two days, guarded by the male relatives of the deceased. No food or water was allowed him during this time. While in that wretched condition, and having his nerves completely unstrung by the grewsome vigil, he was forced to drink poison. They said he fell down in a stupor. But since he did not vomit the poison, he was adjudged guilty and immediately speared to death. They left him where he lay, to be eaten later by the hyenas.

"March 4—Today I met my first cannibal. While we were at anchor in a small creek a most hideous figure came and danced before my tent. His face was scarred from smallpox, his eyes bloodshot, his upper teeth had been filed to points to enable him to tear raw meat. Catskins adorned his body. One leg was painted with white paolin, the other with red ochre. His hair was twisted into long pointed tufts, from which dripped oil and grease. After a startling series of revolting evolutions and uncanny shrieks, he dropped to the ground, rolled to my feet and commenced cramming fistfulls of sand into his mouth and ejecting them. Through an interpreter I learned that he desired food. I commanded them to give him some maize meal.

"'No, he wants meat,' they replied.

"'All right, give him some of the goat's meat.'

"'No,' he replied, 'the child of the lizard eats only live meat.'

"'Live meat?' I did not grasp his meaning.

"'He wants you to give him one of your boatmen.'

"'Tell him I only use my men to fill my boat, and not hungry mouths.' He went

away angry and sullen. I learned later that he was not only a cannibal, but disinterred dead bodies and ate them."

I needed to read no further to come to the conclusion that civilization was really a benefit to us. In fact, I think I was convinced of much more than that.

R. L. E., '16.

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#### UNION 15 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH.

Dean Ripton was confined to his house with sickness during the whole Christmas vacation.

President Raymond addressed the Ministerial Association of Amsterdam on December 30.

The Sophomore Soiree committee held its initial meeting on the twelfth.

That Union is to have a basketball team is an established fact. Fifteen basketball enthusiasts met in the "gym" last Tuesday night (January 12) and took definite steps towards its organization.

The new basketball outfit has been added to the gymnasium apparatus.

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#### UNION 23 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH.

January 30th was the day of prayer. Rev. Dr. A. Raymond of Albany gave the address at the chapel exercises.

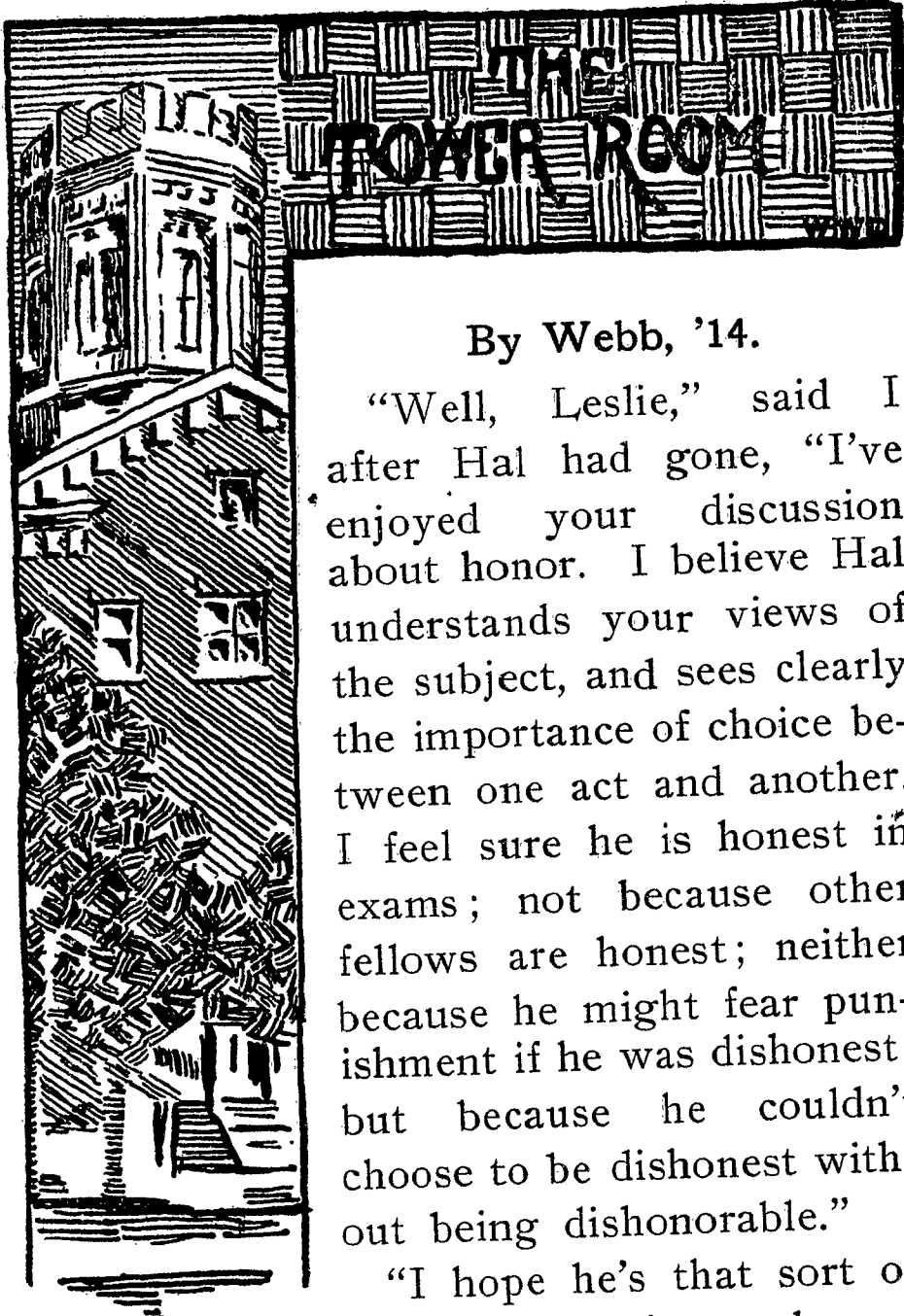
An alumni banquet was held on the 22nd at the Delevan House in Albany. The "Union College Alumni Association of Albany and Northeastern New York" was founded.

Senior and junior orations are due February 1st.

Arrangements have been completed for the Sophomore Soiree, which will take place in the Arcade Hall on the 11th of February.

A chapel choir has at last been organized and bids fair to succeed.





By Webb, '14.

"Well, Leslie," said I after Hal had gone, "I've enjoyed your discussion about honor. I believe Hal understands your views of the subject, and sees clearly the importance of choice between one act and another. I feel sure he is honest in exams; not because other fellows are honest; neither because he might fear punishment if he was dishonest; but because he couldn't choose to be dishonest without being dishonorable."

"I hope he's that sort of fellow," replied Leslie. "It takes such men to uphold our honor system and keep it in working order. Some students may object to the honor system of taking exams, but if they have any better scheme to offer let them come to the Tower Room and propose it."

"I should like to uphold the advantages of the honor system to any fellow, Leslie, but at present I wish we might discuss the question of reputation. You stated in your argument last time that a person's reputation varies among different people, and should not be a guide for good conduct. Now, do you believe that a person should never think of his reputation, and govern his action accordingly?"

"He should think of his reputation, but it shouldn't be the motive for choosing to do any certain act."

"Then what should be a fellow's atti-

tude?" I asked. "Suppose we consider a freshman. He begins his life here in a strange place, and under different conditions. Everything is new to him, and he must adapt himself to many varying situations. Now I maintain that he commences to build a reputation for himself from his first arrival on the campus. And by the end of the first term he has the reputation of a hard-working student, diligent in his studies; or of a student who tries to shirk as much as possible; or else of some other characteristics given him at least by the professors, and doubtless by most of his fellows."

"His reputation is inevitable," interrupted Leslie. "It follows him as surely as does his shadow."

"Then why should a student determine to make for himself a good reputation as soon as possible? If he gets a bad name during his first term it may take a long time and a lot of hard work to gain recognition as a first-class student."

"My argument," Leslie answered, "consists in his aiming from the start to be a first-class student regardless of what the other fellows may think of him. With such an aim he need not worry about his reputation. It will eventually be true to his real self."

"What if he chiefly aims at gaining a good reputation, isn't this just as well?" I asked.

"Not at all. In aiming for a good reputation he may use false means for getting others think him a good student. He is likely to want others to think him a better student than he really is; and thus he would be deceptive. On the other hand, if his chief aim is to be truly a good student, his acts will be consistent with his aim, and shortly others will have opinions of him that are good. Don't you think this is the better way?"

"Yes; but I maintain that he ought to be



conscious, nevertheless, that by doing right he will gain a right reputation."

"He cannot be otherwise. But in my opinion he shouldn't make reputation his chief motive for doing good work. He should do good work regardless of reputation. The faculty and most of the students will give him credit sooner or later."

"I agree with you. This is a big subject and deals with all men whether in college or not. I often wonder how many of us do things just for the sake of what others will think of us; or do we really want others to know us just as we know ourselves?"

"It's a question worth thinking about," replied Leslie.

#### SATURDAY'S DANCE.

Those who saw the Brooklyn Polytechnic game last Saturday evening, but did not stay for the dance that followed it, missed half of the entertainment offered at the "gym."

Although not so much of a financial success as the dance after the Rochester game, since the bad weather undoubtedly kept many away, the dance was a success in the fact that it was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone of the Vernie Castles and Julia Sandersons on the floor. This was only to be expected, for it had all the factors that cause a fellow to like dancing: a floor not so slippery that it makes one do a quite unintentional fancy step when one means to do a perfectly ordinary "grape-vine"; the kind of music needed for the dances of this week, and, especially, the right sort of partners.

Considering these things there is no reason why better weather and the more important games should not increase the attendance at these informal dances, for, as "Life" says, "he who doesn't 'hesitate' is lost."

#### THE JOYS AND SORROWS OF THE SECTION GANG.

(Spud's Resolutions.)

"Say, Spud, how long do you think you'll keep it?"

"Keep what—that check I got from home to-day?"

"Why no; I mean that thing you have tacked up over your desk whereby you 'do most solemnly resolve to desist from using all slang words, phrases or expressions.'"

"Do you think I'm going to break it, Pete?"

"Does the sun shine?"

"Well, just to show you, mate, I'll make you a little bet and give you the best of terms."

"What's your proposition?"

"Well, let's see; suppose I give you a dollar for every time I break it, and you give me five for every week I keep it."

"Is this a cash bet?"

"Strictly cash."

"Shake."

"Fine, Pete; there's another twenty or so for my Junior Week fund. Oh, I'll get there!"

"Can't go down street with you today, Spud; sorry, but Jingle cracked the one about the 'Vassar girl' today and that surely means 'see through glass darkly' tomorrow, so I've got to work out a few of these play problems."

"Well, I'll see you later. Proctor's is my only class on Wednesday—except physiology."

"So-long."

It was late in the afternoon when Spud laboriously pointed his over-fed corporosity up the stairs. Pete pretended to be busy and was very diligently writing away on scratch paper as the big noise entered in a cloud of cigar smoke.

"Say, Pete, that show at Proctor's is in

a class by itself; you ought to take it in."

Pete wrote a hasty sentence while feigning deafness.

"And, on the level, they've got a couple of the swellest dames in the last act you ever—say what's eatin' on you, you caught a grouch?"

"Nothing; just lost interest in vaudeville."

"Go tell it to Sweeny. What d'ye mean you lost your interest? Didn't I see that skirt you've been beating around this joint with, and didn't she tell your Uncle Spud that you tried to move her to Proctor's and that she wouldn't take you up? Don't try to pull any of that stuff on me. I'm hep to you, old scout, and, believe me, I wasn't born in lazy weather, either. I'll tell you what's the matter with you, Pete; you're just gone nuts over that Jane and you'd better cut it out before she hands you a lemon, unless she's already wished the pink slip on you."

"Say, how about your own love affairs, old man?"

"I should worry."

Pete resumed his writing.

"Not a brain in your head," he threw out in an offhand manner.

"Thanks for the lobster, Pete, but you see it's like this—I'm hanging out in this dump with a funny kind of a guy for a roommate. You're a candy kid in some respects, Pete, but the minute you cast your glims on a queen you're full of prunes right away and if she ties the can to you you crawl in a barrel and weep until another fluzie passes your way and wakes you up with the fascinating rustle of silk skirts. Just take it from me, I'm wise to you, old pal. Say, what are you writing on, Pete?"

"Well, you see, Spud, I'm sort of hard up and I'm making out an itemized bill for that twenty-five you owe me."

"What do you think I owe you twenty-

five for? Say, you must be asleep; turn over, you're on your back."

"You owe me twenty-five dollars for twenty-five slang expressions at one dollar each. Sorry, Spud, but it's a cash bet; cough up."

"Let's see the bill."

After a short silence Spud handed over his money and felt in his pocket to find the extent of his remaining resources. He had fifteen cents.

"Well, that breaks up my big party for tonight. Theater in Albany with that girl of yours, etc., etc. Guess I'll call her up and tell her I'm sick abed."

"No, Spud, don't tell her you're sick."

"Well, what can I say—I'm broke?"

"No; call her up and make it two; we'll have a little dinner on the side and do this thing up right."

They embrace.

#### CLASS BASKETBALL.

Some of the juniors seem to think they have a real grievance in the matter of class basketball. They say that the Joseph trophy is meant as an award to the class best in basketball. 1915 is best, for it has four regular players on the 'varsity. Previously these men were allowed to work for their class, and, of course, 1915 won. This year they were not allowed to play, and the juniors say "tain't fair."

Last Saturday 1914 went down before 1917 to the tune of 28-11. The juniors dropped a game to the "sophs" by a score of 13-8. Yesterday two more games were played, but too late for us to print the score.

Juniors, pay that hearse tax!

The physics professor asked: "What is laccolite?"

"Total darkness," replied the student.

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## SUPPORT NEEDED.

Perhaps you have noticed several times during the present college year that contributions have been made to the Concordiensis by fellows in no way connected with the paper. Such cooperation is an indication that the students are taking a greater interest in this publication. Besides, it gives the editors the long-desired opportunity to pick the best article from several possibilities. But competition is not yet been keen

enough to make the choice really difficult. What is needed is more articles to make the Concordiensis more truly "A Literary and News Weekly."

It is true, however, that not all of us have either the time or the ability to write very extensively for the paper. But perhaps you have noticed another tendency of the publishers. A 1913 man once stated that whatever the good points of the Concordiensis were, it was "too dry." This year's board has aimed to overcome such objection by inserting bits of nonsense on the various pages. Here is a place where every man in college can help out. Every day amusing incidents occur in different classrooms; those in Johnny Bennett's alone would fill a book. If the fellows would jot down such jokes and hand them to any member of the board it would help a lot. Thought the Concordiensis can copy stories from exchanges, jokes dealing with characters we all know would be more interesting. We know of at least one paper whose success is largely due to student cooperation in this single particular.

## 1916-1917 DEBATE.

1917 early won a good reputation in athletics. But some wondered whether the class lacked real spirit until the banquet showed that the fellows were still alive. Now 1917 has a chance to show its mettle in another field: the sophomores have issued a challenge to the freshmen for an inter-class debate. From the debating point of view, the contest will be particularly important. Inter-collegiate material is scarce

at Union this year, and new men must be developed. Naturally everybody looks to the freshmen. It is known that there are plenty of promising speakers, but they all need training. Let us hope that these fellows will get into the game. Remember, 1917, that this is the first underclass debate.

#### DEBATING NOTES.

Union will again try conclusions with Cornell when the colleges meet in their fourth annual debate on February 20th, 1914. This debate, as in previous years, will take place in the college chapel. The men constituting the Union team are Jacobs, '16; Blodgett, '15, and Coulter, '15, with Sternfeld, '16, as alternate. The subject will be the same as that used for the Allison-Foote and Adelphic-Barnard debates: "Resolved, That the states should adopt the principle of the minimum wage for women and children employed in stores, shops, factories, by public service corporations, and by the state itself." Cornell will undoubtedly send down a strong team, inasmuch as Union has thus far won two out of the three debates.

The sophomore class, following the advice of the Debating Council, has challenged the freshmen to an inter-class debate. The sophomores have presented the following subject for discussion: "For and against the commission form of government for second-class cities in New York State." The freshmen will be allowed to choose the side they wish to uphold. No answer to the challenge has yet been received, but now that the "mystery" regarding the organization of the freshman class has been cleared up, the "frosh" will probably take up the defy of the sophomores at once. This will be an entirely new method of under-class scrapping at Union and should prove pop-

ular as a means of deciding at least one phase of under-class supremacy.

Negotiations are under way for a debate between Union and New York University. It is expected that an agreement will be reached for these two colleges to debate later in the year.

#### UNION OVERWHELMS BROOKLYN

##### "POLY" BY A SCORE OF 63-17.

No Match for the Garnet, and Served as Raw Meat to Counterbalance the Sufferings and Privations at Ithaca.

Does anyone know the correct score of Saturday night's game? Official scorers, student scorers and ourselves differ on this point. As a compromise let us set the score at 63-17. Who cares for a few measly points either way, when the Garnet wearers caged the ball in such rapid succession that all scorers suffered from writers' cramps? Suffice it to say that the Brooklyn "Tech" tossers were so far outclassed that they might have wished that their train had never reached Schenectady.

A good-sized crowd began to gather in the gymnasium about 7:30. It was a fine night for a slaughter and the team simply had to find some lambs and the handiest were their opponents. Despite climatic conditions, everybody was there with lots of spirit and prepared for anything. And it was well they were, for what with "Buck's" pet pack of agony harmonizers and "the band" and what with "Dr. Mac" stepping into the middle of the arena, cheerfully announcing that the train bearing the Brooklyn players was late and that the game would not start for an hour or more, unusual frivolity and nonchalance had to prevail among the gathered assemblage.

The team came on the floor early and were given a rousing ovation in appreciation of their splendid fight against Cornell.



They kept the crowd interested by snappy practice and long shots. When the Brooklyn team appeared at last, they were greeted heartily, as better late than never. The game started with a rush. Brooklyn had all sorts of "pep" and speed at the start, and things looked as if the game was going to be close and exciting. This in addition to the fact that Yale had nosed out this same team by only one point, and Columbia by eight. But their tale was soon told, and Union started its steady stride to victory. After the first five minutes it was never again a case of which would be the victor, but how big a score the Garnet could roll up in forty minutes of play. Brooklyn was forced to have time taken out for rest quite frequently while the Union players stood around grinning, and not even breathing hard. From our point of view it was glorious to see the fellows play rings around Brooklyn; from the viewpoint of an impartial spectator it must have been pitiful to watch Union's opponents try to follow that speedy five. To their credit it may be said that they took their medicine like men, neither delaying the game nor resorting to rough tactics. They knew they were outclassed and faced the inevitable doggedly.

"Teedy" Woods at center was a phantom to his man. Always all over the court, he was even more so on Saturday night, so that his opponent soon put out distress signals and changed places with a forward. "Woody" was the leading scorer, with ten baskets to his credit. The Beavers and Houghton scored almost at will. In the last part of the game "Earny" obligingly put on a comical little skit for the benefit of everyone, known to his man as "Where, Oh where is that wandering boy my captain told me to ride." "Wally" Girling did not figure in the scoring, but played a wonderful floor game, breaking up many plays and long passes. A number of times he came

down the floor with the ball and fed it to one of the fellows who was a sure shot. Girling looks good, and given time will develop into a fine guard, well qualified to be ranked as a peer of the invincible quartet.

The team rushed the ball from the toss-up. Woods got the jump on his man every time and tipped it to one of the Beavers and a second later the ball was in one of the baskets. Time after time this was repeated and Brooklyn seemed unable to break it up. Both Woods and Houghton pulled off a couple of those impossible shots and then cut them out for fear somebody would accuse them of "horse-shoes." The first half ended with a score of 25-7. In the second half the team started in to score so rapidly that the scorers were in the same position as the Brooklyn men—they could not stand the pace. Brooklyn was on the defense practically all of the time, but managed to score 8 points, while Union hung up about 38 more.

The score:

Union (63)			
	B.	F. F. T.	
J. Beaver, lf. ....	6	3	0
D. Beaver, rf. ....	7	0	0
Woods, c. ....	10	1	0
Houghton, lg. ....	6	0	3
Girling, rg. ....	0	1	0
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	29	5	3

Brooklyn (17)			
	B.	F. F. T.	
Anderson, lf., c. ....	3	2	1
Young, lf. ....	2	1	1
Unger, rf. ....	2	4	0
Weiser, rf. ....	0	0	0
Eisenberg, c. ....	0	0	0
Miller, lg. ....	0	2	0
Fishel, rg. ....	1	1	0
	—	—	—
	8	10	1



### THE FRESHMAN BANQUET.

The eventful night came at last, and on the evening of January 21 the long-expected "frosh" banquet became a reality. About ninety of the class of 1917, with their guests, gathered around the festive board at "ye Rensselaer Inn," Troy, N. Y., and, protected by Trojan warriors, ate their evening meal in peace. The enthusiasm of the sophomores, which early in the afternoon caused the sacrifice by seven freshmen of their natural head-covering, gradually subsided, and only evidenced itself at the scene of the festivities by a bottle of asafetida being thrown in the banquet hall.

The 1917 men had as their guests Professor Barnes, Professor Garis and Dr. McComber, "Steve" Story, "Charlie" Male and "Dutch" Nauman. Story acted as toastmaster; and all the guests, also President Underhill and Downs, chairman of the banquet committee, spoke.

Many were the comments made about the banquet the next day. Charlie Male said that the affair was the best conducted of any in many years. Others noticed that the freshmen abstained from the flowing bowl more than some upper classmen. The sophomores were admitted to the barroom of the inn, but when the proprietor found they were not drinking enough to suit him he let them go. They stayed around the vicinity till they found they could not get past the police and then boarded a car for Schenectady.

By the way, to speak of shorn locks, have you noticed lately A. C. or E. K. or R. S. of the freshman class? One sophomore is preserving a pocketful of hair as a memento of the occasion.

### DOPE FROM "DOC MAC."

All locker keys have not yet been turned in by the three upper classes. Gym work

is compulsory for freshmen, and naturally they have to have the lockers. If the fellows will get the keys in right away it will help "Dr. Mac" a lot. But this does not mean that only freshmen can have lockers. "Dr. Mac" has offered to buy steel ones for all fellows who will order them by the first of February, and to have them on hand about a month after they are ordered. The prices are \$4.00 or \$5.70, and "Dr. Mac" will trust the fellows till June for the money. Such lockers will become college property when the owners are graduated. Help the college and yourself!

### THAT LOCAL CONCERT.

The local concert given annually by the musical clubs is always an event of great interest to the students and one which affords a great deal of enjoyment to those generally interested in Union College. The concert will be given this year in the High School Auditorium on the third of February. "Bill" Mudge is writing a personal letter to each alumnus of Union in Schenectady or the near vicinity, and expects to make the night one of general enjoyment for students and alumni. Many plans are being put into effect by the clubs for making things lively, and new "stunts" are plentiful in the Glee Club from all latest reports. It is expected that a large percentage of the students will attend the concert and give to the men who are representing us so splendidly in the line of musical activities the support which they deserve.

Remember, fellows, you do not have to buy a ticket for yourself. Just find a girl, get a ticket for her, and bring her along. Don't forget the time—next Tuesday night.

### DAY OF PRAYER.

Dr. Rockwell H. Potter, '95, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Hartford, Conn., was the speaker at the services held

in the Chapel on the Day of Prayer last week. Dr. Potter's talk was on the question: "Is Godliness Profitable?" Bringing out the relation of Godliness to the business world and the modern man, he showed the vital importance of it as an investment and for the obtaining of real happiness. Rev. C. A. Conant, '60, and the Rev. Clayton J. Potter, '00, occupied the pulpit with Dr. Potter.

Chapel was held at eleven o'clock instead of at noon, as has previously been the custom, and college was in session during the morning. Holding classes on the Day of Prayer was an innovation, the object being to substitute the chapel exercises for the last morning recitation; thus the early part of the afternoon was not broken up, as has been the result in former years. The new plan brought about a much larger attendance than usual.

#### ON CHEERING.

If the amount of noise the students make is an indication of their college spirit, "Old Union" certainly has not lost a tiny bit of the spirit that the alumni love to boast of. Did we not "out-cheer" the Hamilton men last fall, even when we were going down to defeat? It was the kind of feeling that came from deep down in every heart. The truth is, we could not help yelling on the bleachers; it was in us and had to come out some how. That is the only real cheering that we ought to do. Can any true "Union man" see a "Union team" come on the field of combat and not have an overwhelming sense of pride in their work and ability?

At the last basketball game on our home court we gave but five yells, but did everyone notice that the "studes" were up on their toes every minute? The applause was sincere, every bit of it. That is the way to feel and applaud when the team is ahead. If by chance our team should be behind

at any moment, do not forget your training from last fall and we will put the feeling in that team, if such a thing is possible, from the side lines.

Just a word of warning to the over-zealous who would like to be the referee on special occasions. Think twice before you give advice to either the players or the officials. They are likely to know more of the game than we do.

To applaud the opposing team when they do a bit of excellent work is considered very good form and we will not be doing an injustice to our own men by clapping a bit now and then.

The men in the junior class who aspire to be "cheer leaders" next fall ought to begin to work out before a looking glass, for it is a lot better to make a monkey of yourself before your own image than before the student body, and take it from one who knows, it is not half so humiliating. The cheering sections have not been defeated once this year, and we are not going to be defeated.

"Buck."

#### JUNIOR NOTES.

The Prom. Committee reports that plans for the Junior Week festivities are very satisfactorily progressing. The gym promises to assume the air of a perfect fairyland of garlands and harmony. The music will be furnished by Groscia, of Albany, who has of late furnished music for many of the leading proms. of the east. That the event will be one which will afford pleasant reflections later, in fact, that it will be the one event which will be remembered years later, is fully assured.

The management of the "Garnet" are working hard to insure the punctual issue of the book. They would urge upon all those who are working on its preparation

to complete their work as soon as possible. Things done hastily are expensive and unsatisfactory, so do not oblige them to be rushed at the last moment. Faust would like to have pictures of the various organizations begin to come in.

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"Chuck" Waldron, discussing Southern negro slaves: "Let's take,—Mr. Hubbs,—for instance."

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Professor J. McGregory of Colgate will lecture in the chemical laboratory on February 6. His subject will be, "The Liquification of Gases."

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### BLACK CAT.

At the last meeting of the Black Cat Club, held in the fall term, at Barney's Restaurant, Dr. Chase gave an informal address on Oxford University. Dr. Chase has spent several summers studying at Oxford and on that account the lecture was exceedingly interesting. In the course of his talk he gave a general description of the university, its buildings, its standard of scholarship and the life of its students. The members of the club present received a very good impression of the grand old school and are very thankful to Dr. Chase for his efforts.

Last Friday the club gave a dinner at Goodman's and the officers for the following term were chosen. The following are the new officers: President, Norton, '15; vice-president, Delchamps, '15; secretary, Martin, '15; treasurer, Marvin, '15.

A very important business meeting will be held here on the campus on Friday, January 30th, and it is urged that all members be present. In all probability some new members will be taken into the club at that time.

### Y. M. C. A.

The work of the industrial department is being gradually extended, so that there are now about a dozen classes held among the foreigners, with more to be organized soon. A meeting of those interested in industrial work was held after chapel Monday noon.

The Rev. Harrison S. Elliott will be on the campus all day Sunday. He is the speaker at Vespers in the afternoon, and will attend a meeting of the Caibnet in the evening.

Some excellent speakers have been secured for the Comparative Religions course of the Mission Study courses Tuesday evening. N. N. Iengar, '13, gave a very good talk on "Hinduism," with which subject he is thoroughly acquainted. Following are some of the speakers and their subjects for the rest of the term: Dr. R. T. Hill, Buddhism; Dr. Hoffman, Mohammedanism; Professor McKean, Confucianism; Dr. Kellogg, Taoism; Dr. Ellery, a summary of the subjects discussed.

The Employment Department of the Y. M. C. A. is short of jobs for those students who work while in college, and respectfully requests the cooperation of any of the students who know of jobs which some of the fellows might get.

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### INTER-COLLEGIATE NOTES.

Mr. Fred Turner of New York City is to coach the Hamilton baseball team this season.

Trahen of Troy has charge of the decorations for the Junior Prom at Hamilton.

The Hamilton alumni are endeavoring to raise one million dollars to add to the present endowment fund of the institution.

Cornell "frosh" cannot use automobiles on the campus. Walking is plenty good enough for them.

The following from the "Campus" in re-

gard to the Union-Rochester game needs no comment: "The constantly recurring fouls, so-called at least, had anything but a fostering effect upon Rochester's team play, which suffered accordingly."

The Hobart freshmen won their annual banner scrap from the sophomores. Numbers counted in their favor.

R. P. I. will be ninety years old next June.

Following the example of "Old Union," R. P. I. has organized a students' band, which has proved very successful.

#### CAN YOU THINK OF A LONGER?

What is the longest reversible word in the English language? By "reversible" is meant a word that spells the same forward or backward; for example, the proper names Ada, Asa, Otto, etc. "Reviver" and "rotator" are said to be the longest words of this sort.

#### SUFFRAGE AND INCOME TAX.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw may have started a new method in the woman suffrage agitation. She refuses to pay her income tax, and returned the Government's information blank with only these words written upon it: "Taxation without representation is tyranny."

#### THE WAIL OF THE STUDE.

If money talks,  
As some folks tell,  
To most of us  
It says "Farewell."

#### CAN YOU BEAT THIS?

One day last week a young and innocent "frosh" went into the Library and said:

"I would like the 'Red Boat,' please, Mr. Clinton."

DeWitt searched diligently and finally said, "There's no such book in the library."

"I'm sure it is; 'Spike' told us to read it this week. Perhaps it was 'The Scarlet Yacht'?"

Again DeWitt searched with no result. Finally 1917 looked in his notebook and said, "Oh! I beg your pardon. I mean the 'Rubiyat.'"

Just like a freshman!

Dawson (in English class): Name something of great importance which did not exist twenty years ago.

"Me!" said the smug looking freshman who sat in the first row

#### HEARD IN PHILOSOPHY.

Hoffy: "Plato was not able to settle this point."

Hawley (loudly): "Well, I can."

Doctor Kellogg thinks Latin flows in a continual stream. He seems completely unaware of the fact that his sophomore class is daily damning it.

Professor Berg evidently wants to annihilate the engineering course. Else why is he so determined to kick out of college the best men in the junior class?

They had just come from the physics examination on heat. "Gee, but that was a hot exam," remarked the one.

The next subject to be taken up in that class was light. "Yes," said the other, "but we are going to have a light exam next."

Harold met John, who had left school rather suddenly. "Well, John," said Harold, "what made you quit school?"

"It was all because of a remark the principal made."

"What did he say?"

"'John,' he said, 'you're expelled.'"

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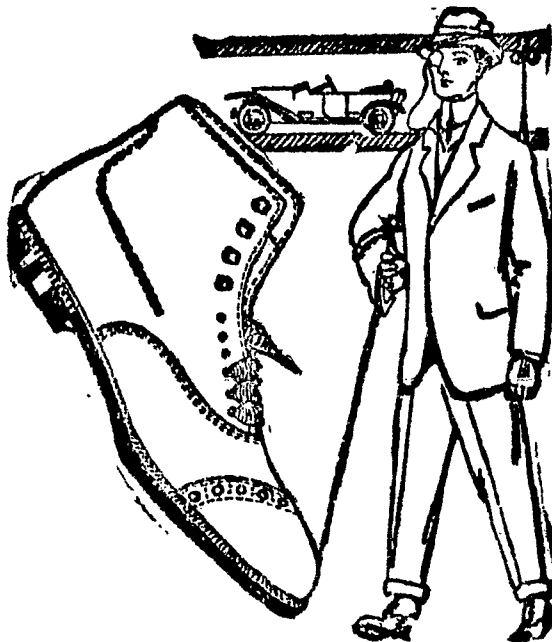
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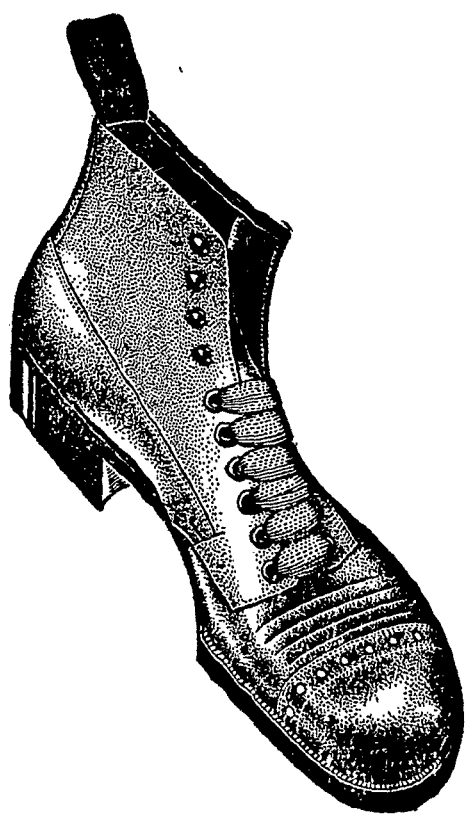
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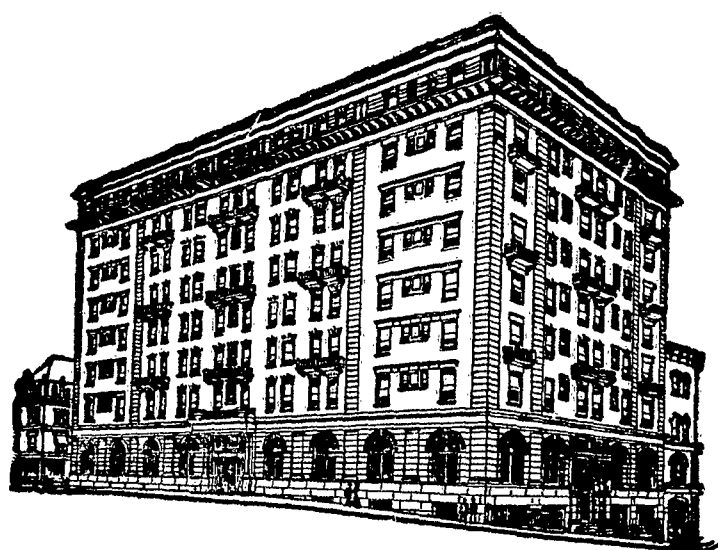
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