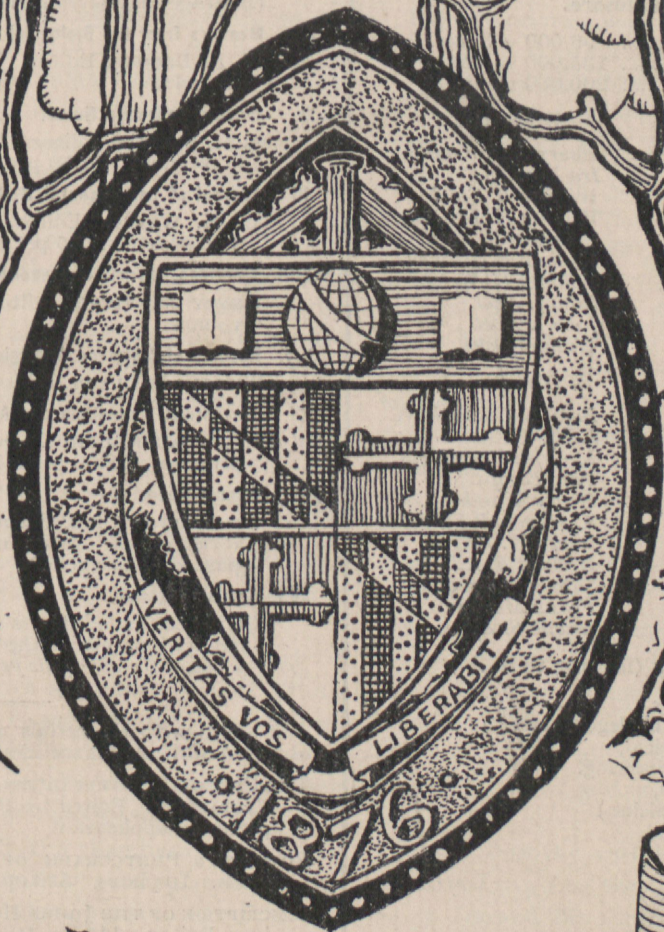


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A BORDER RAID.

ON the broad south porch of the farm house, where early sunshine streamed through a screen of morning-glory vines, covering the white weatherboards with distorted tracery and flecking her blue calico with spots of light, Dorothy stood beside a tall old-fashioned churn. She had sent the dasher plunging up and down with a steady chug! chug! that the wood-shed and kitchen tossed back and forth between them in little echoes, until butter had come, and now she stopped to rest. Leaning thoughtfully on the long handle she looked out across the sloping barnyard, over the valley that swam in summer-haze to the blue hills beyond. Behind those hills was Mason and Dixon's line, which two years of civil war had made bitterly significant as the boundary line of slavery and rebellion.

A turnpike that ran by the house and curled round a knoll a little above it, showing at the turn a last gleam of dusty white limestone, ran straight to those hills and on into the south. From this same porch, at the beginning of the war, Dorothy had watched her two brothers march away with the village company over that turn of the road while the squeak of fifes and the rub-a-dub of Fent Johnson's drum sounded across the pasture. A year before that Frank had reined in his horse at the same spot to wave his hand to her before he galloped away toward Virginia.

Every summer since he had left the village to make his home with a southern uncle, Frank had ridden across country to visit his relatives in the little valley. Dorothy remembered how in that year, the year her mother had died, they walked out in the moonlight the evening before his departure past the churchyard where the stones looked like piles of shining snow, to the old beech at the school-house with F. & D. carved in boyish jackknife cuts on its smooth bark.

Perhaps he would never come again, thought Dorothy, now deep in reverie, remembering the

harsh words she had heard in his father's house when the news spread through the neighborhood that Frank Walters had joined the rebel army.

Dorothy's thoughts had strayed far from her churning and were wandering in troubled loyalty into the region south of the blue haze. Now her reverie was broken rudely. Over the brow of the hill rode a horseman, then another, and a third; and three Union scouts came at a tired trot down the road. Mr. Miller, Dorothy's father, was already at the gate, waiting to ask for news and to invite them in.

The day before a warning had come that there was danger of a raid across the border, and prudent farmers had been hiding provisions and driving their cattle up into remote wood-lots for safety. Indeed, some had thought that Mr. Miller himself was in danger, should the raiders come, for he had been known before the war as an ardent and outspoken abolitionist and a helper of runaway slaves. Some alleged violations of the rights of non-combatants in the South had given rise to vague threats against him that had reached his ears, but he was unwilling to leave his daughters alone, and so gave little heed to his neighbors' advice to flee.

The scouts brought news that a raiding party was out in force a few miles to the southwest following an uncertain course. They themselves were on their way to a point of vantage behind the town. One of their number held the horses ready for instant mounting, while his companions laved their dusty faces at the pump and sniffed savory odors of frying ham from the kitchen. Little Jennie, Dorothy's sister, climbed the sheep-pasture hill from which she could see a mile up the road, and stood sentinel while they rested.

Just as Dorothy with wooden bowl and salt jar turned to go to the spring-house, and black Susan showed her shining face at the kitchen door to say, "Most ready, boys!" Jennie came running and screaming. The disappointed soldiers seized canteen and knapsack, tumbled into their saddles, and were off in a moment.

They were hardly out of sight when the head of a column of troopers with dingy gray uniforms and slouch hats appeared at the turn of the road. Susan dropped her kettles and pans and scrambled in ashen terror to a hiding place in the garret, for she was an escaped slave. Mr. Miller, after lingering almost too long, ran at Dorothy's earnest entreaty to conceal himself in an empty corn-crib. A moment later the yard was full of rebel soldiers, and a young officer was asking courteously enough for Mr. Miller.

Dorothy, secretly wondering at his honest face and easy manner, answered, "I don't know where he is, and I certainly should not tell you if I did."

The officer smiled.

"I suppose a little fib is excusable under the circumstances," he said, "but we feel pretty sure he's here. I must ask you to remain where you are while my men search the place."

From her seat on the trellised stoop, Dorothy could see the door of the crib in which her father was hiding, and she watched it anxiously as a detail of men went toward the outbuildings. The next moment she was soothing Jennie, who had been startled into frightened screams by the sudden appearance of a soldier in the room in which she had taken refuge. The officer reassured them, and ordering a soldier to see that they were not molested, retired for a conference with his guides.

Meanwhile the search went on. It was orderly enough at first; but the drink from a looted tavern had made the men reckless, and they were soon engaged in wanton pillage. Drawers and chests were broken in search for valuables and their contents strewed about. The searchers spread devastation in the larder, and brought ruin to the kitchen, garden and spring-house.

Dorothy gave little thought, however, to the sounds of destruction about her. She was anxiously watching the corner-crib. Her face paled a little as she saw a tall raider enter the door and disappeared, within, and her heart sank in hopelessness. The crib was empty and the search was so thorough that there was no hope that her father would not be seen.

Presently the soldier appeared again, alone, slammed the door behind him and called to his

companions. Dorothy looked in joyful wonder as the searching party came leading a number of horses to report that Mr. Miller could not be found. She would have wondered no less had she been able to see what went on all this time behind the weather-stained boards of the crib.

Through the cracks in the crib Mr. Miller had watched the soldiers and had heard drunken threats of "hanging to the nearest tree." He had heard Jennie's scream, and filled with a horrible fear, he could hardly keep from rushing out, helpless as he was. Then the door had opened, and a tall young raider walked to the hogshead behind which he was hiding and looked down upon him. Mr. Miller rose to surrender himself, when to his surprise the soldier pressed him down with, "Keep still, man, keep still!" Then walking quickly to the door he called to his companions, "He's not in here, boys; come on, let's give it up!" And the party went away leaving Mr. Miller surprised and puzzled at his strange escape.

Old Susan's fear had sharpened her wits, and the search of the house had been equally fruitless. Dorothy stepped back into the doorway as the troopers crowded again into the yard and prepared to mount. Before her on the stoop Jennie still sobbed, and the house dog Plato at her feet growled at the intruders. She heard a step in the hall behind her, and a strangely familiar voice said softly, "Dorothy!"

She turned, startled, and saw a dusty, sunburned soldier. It was a moment before she recognized him.

"Oh! Frank," she gasped, and she laid a restraining hand on Plato's nose.

"Hush," said he, they mustn't see me talking to you. Tell your father to get out of that crib into the woods, for we're coming to look for him again. Don't forget me, Dorothy. Good bye!"

Then he walked rapidly out past her and joined his comrades. The soldiers lingered a moment caring for their horses, and then at a few sharp words of command, with a rattle of accouterments and a thunder of hoofs the column disappeared behind a cloud of dust on its way down the valley.

Next day the raiders came back on their way south. Both Mr. Miller and Susan had found

safer hiding places, and wisely; for a squad of troopers had surrounded the house at night thinking he might return.

Dorothy stood in the door to watch the long procession go by. First came a great herd of cattle and a string of captured horses, and then the long column of soldiers laden with all sorts of plunder. Her glance singled out a trooper in tattered gray who dared give her only a look of recognition. At the bend in the road he turned in his saddle to look back, and then the dust hid him from her sight. She watched till the column disappeared over the hill, and with a little song on her lips, turned again to her work. F.



THE ANNUAL FEED.

THE fourth annual "Feed," held to celebrate Hopkins athletic victories, proved a decided success. One cause of this was the fact that certain novelties were inserted in the programme which, heretofore, has consisted chiefly of burlesque athletic "stunts," as sack-races and chicken-fights. Friday night's exhibition dispensed with these hackneyed pastimes, and while muscle received its proper place in the exercises, art and science were also encouraged. Musical art, in the "Submarine Band;" figurative art, in the living pictures; and decorative art, in the blackened-glove contest: science, in the hypnotic exhibition. These innovations emanated chiefly from the resourceful brains of Billy Maddren and Physical Director Mackdermott.

The programme opened with speeches by Dr. Remsen, President Gilman and Dean Griffin. Dr. Remsen recounted the athletic achievements of Hopkins during the past year. Dr. Gilman in his address told the audience how he once informed a delegation of Harvard professors that the honor of having H. U. after one's name was greatly increased by prefixing a J.

The surprise of the evening was sprung upon the audience when Boozer's Submarine Band, clad in white duck, and barten—— pardon us, we mean *white* jackets, filed out upon the stage. Then the house was served up a rich musical treat. Instrumental solos and trios, interspersed with full orchestra (later the orches-

tra was fuller) pieces were encored again and again. The Dean said: "Never has music moved me so before," while we observed that President Gilman was even further moved—(all the way out of the building). The living pictures were, for the most part, of a strictly moral nature, with the exception of one, concerning which, Anthony Comstock, and the anti-vice crusaders might have taken issue.

Pete Moore posed as the Greek discus thrower, and it is a pity some of his fair admirers could not have beheld him clad in spotless white.

"Abbie," as the Lacrosse Player; Hoffman and England, as the Runners; and Sayler, as the Foot-ball Player, were loudly applauded.

Haughton was "a perfect lady." His Carmen-cita "stunt" was excellently rendered, and if he can get into *shape* we would advise him to start in life as a chorus-girl. When he appeared on the stage several students in the audience were heard to remark: "Is'nt she natural; looks exactly like ——;" but here the Boozer band drowned the name. The Hopkins Banjo Club furnished some admirable "ragtime" music, and then Maddren kept everyone interested in an exhibition of hypnotism. This was the feature of the evening. After putting his negro subjects through all manner of odd tricks, he demonstrated the genuineness of the performance by allowing one of the audience to stick a pin into the hand of a hypnotised person without causing the latter any pain. Mr. Maddren has been studying the subject of hypnotism about four months, and in that short time has become rather familiar with it, as was demonstrated Friday night.

Next, the crowd adjourned to the cage and watched Zaza and Sapho, otherwise Snowden and Hopper, decorate each other's anatomy with charcoal. There was not time to weigh out the amount of charcoal deposited on each, so the match was called a draw.

In an exciting, three-heat obstacle race, Winternitz came off victorious. Owing to the lateness of the hour the tug-of-war between the Junior and Freshman classes was called off. "Back to the Gym" was the signal then given, and there the "feed," consisting of chicken-salad, rolls, ice cream, cake and coffee was served.

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THE Committee which arranged and carried out the program of the Feed last Friday night deserves the hearty congratulation of the whole University for the able manner in which the whole affair was conducted. Everything went off smoothly and pleasantly, and there was not a hitch. The orderly way in which the entertainment proceeded in every respect was in delightful contrast to some of the bargain-counter rushes that have been witnessed in past years.

The Feed was undoubtedly the best that has ever been given, and it is to be hoped that the financial success will be as great as the artistic. The Committee showed much originality in their selection of attractive features of entertainment, and great credit is due Messrs. Maddren and Mackdermott, who planned and superintended the effective presentation of the various numbers. The Banjo Club responded to the appeal for aid in a gratifying way, and the hypnotic exhibition was the finest thing yet.

MANAGERS of Hopkins teams who have flitted vainly from one place to another interviewing league magnates and dickering with rival claimants for the temporary use of a small but exceedingly valuable piece of ground up in North Baltimore, and athletic captains who have been compelled to take their men for spring practice away out beyond the city limits, will rub

their hands with joy at the tidings that the dream of years is about to be realized. Johns Hopkins University, planted on the sloping side of a hill amid surrounding dwellings and busy trade, and an open campus with space for all kinds of games and the additional charm of practical ownership seem too mutually foreign ever to have any real connection. But if the negotiations at present under way do not fail, another season will see us in practical possession of a lacrosse and foot-ball field with suitable accommodations for track and field sports.

This will without doubt be the greatest step taken in athletics in years, perhaps the greatest that we have ever taken at one time. The building of the cage was a great achievement, and one that was in the highest degree appreciated, but that was recognized as but a preliminary step to the acquisition of an outdoor practice ground. The list of athletic victories for 1900 that was announced at the feed on Friday was a remarkable one for a city university. With a permanent field at hand, the list for 1901 should be still better, and doubtless Director Mackdermott expects it to be. The credit for this admirable move is, indeed, due mainly to Mr. Mackdermott, and is only one of the many improvements that have been instituted under his regime.

A GAIN AND A LOSS.

Just as we are going to press comes the news that a great tract of over 150 acres of valuable land on Charles Street Avenue has been offered as a gift to the University, with the understanding that at such time as the circumstances shall permit, the University shall be established permanently upon that site. The condition attached to the gift is that the sum of \$1,000,000 shall be raised by other friends of the University in order to enable it to carry out the plan of removal. The trustees expect to be able to raise the sum without difficulty. This news is the most encouraging that has been announced concerning the Hopkins for years—the greatest endowment since that of the founder himself. The generous and spirited donors of this gift are Mr. William Wyman, Mr. William S. Keyser, Mr. Francis M.

Jencks, and an unknown gentleman. A fuller account must be reserved until our next issue.

Another surprise is the announced resignation of Dr. Herbert B. Adams, head of the Historical Department, on account of continued ill-health. Dr. Adams' departure will be regretted by all students who have come in contact with him.

EXTRA LECTURES IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

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THE Johns Hopkins University has announced several extra courses of lectures which should be of great interest and importance to all students of History, Politics, and Economics.

They will be distributed through the remaining weeks of February and March. The schedule is:

Dr. Frederic Bancroft, of Washington, D. C. February 4th to March 12th. Twelve lectures on U. S. History, 1840-1861.

Dr. E. D. Durand, of Leland Stanford University, February 4th, to May 20th. Thirty lectures on American Finance.

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Mr. Frederick Harrison, of England, March 6th and 7th. Two lectures on Alfred the Great.

Professor M. L. D'Ooge, March 8th. One lecture on Delphi and the French Excavations.

Professor J. B. Moore, of Columbia University, March 19th to 21st. Two lectures: (1) Our Treaty of Peace with Spain; (2) Our Policy in the Far East.

Dr. James Schouler, of Boston, March 20th to 29th. Four lectures in continuation of his course of last year on the Founders of the Republic: (1) John and Samuel Adams; (2) James Madison; (3) John Jay and John Marshall; (4) James Madison.

It is hoped that every Hopkins man will avail himself of the opportunity to attend these lectures.

EXCHANGE PLACE.

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Filia: "Father, why do you call my allowance pin money?"

Pater: "Because I got stuck for it, my dear."
—*Ex.*

"They tell me, Professor, that you have mastered all the modern tongues."

"Yes," answered the Professor, "all but two, my wife's and her mother's."
—*Ex.*

"Paw! Say, paw," little Johnnie began. "Now what do you want?" asked the suffering father with the emphasis on the "now."

"Will my hair fall off when it's ripe like yours?"
—*Ex.*

"I was mimicking Prof.—the other day, and he caught me at it."

"What did he say?"

"He told me to stop making a fool of myself."
—*Ex.*

Jimmy: "Ain't it good of the school board to shut up the school in the summer so we can have a rest."

Tommy: "Aw, dat ain't de reason. Dey haf to give the teachers a chance to learn some more."
—*Ex.*

"Holy smoke!" said Satan, as he tossed on another bishop.
—*Chicago Weekly.*

Professor (who has been floored by inquisitive Freshman.) "Mr. Brown, a fool can ask a question that ten wise men could not answer."

Mr. Brown, '04: "I guess that's why so many of us flunk."
—*Harvard Lampoon.*

"My father worked his way through college."

"That's about what I'm doing."

"What's that?"

"Yes: I'm working father for my way through."
—*Cornell Widow.*

THE ANNAPOLIS CONCERT.

THE Johns Hopkins Musical Clubs paid a flying visit to Annapolis on Saturday, January 26th. The men assembled at Camden Station at 4 o'clock, and, after an anxious wait for President King and the tickets, boarded their private car which was hitched to a supposed express train. Judging from the way in which that train stopped at every apology for a station, however, an accommodation train would have to stop at every cross tie. Nevertheless the ride was thoroughly enjoyable, and few of the men were glad to bestir themselves and get out into the snow when the train finally pulled into the station at Annapolis. Arrangements had been previously made as to lodging the men, and soon all were showing their appreciation of the good dinners and their hospitable welcome. Indeed such attention and kindness was paid them that several remained over at the risk of paying their own way home.

The concert was given in the U. S. Armory, inside the Academy grounds, and the Clubs were greeted by an enthusiastic audience numbering about six hundred. The concert itself was not quite as good as usual, for the length of the building and the great number of girders overhead made the volume of the Clubs seem weak. These unfavorable conditions, however, did not affect the Mandolin Club as much as the other clubs, for the sharp sound of the mandolins seemed to carry the whole length of the hall and the Club played in better time and with more expression than in any other concert this season. Mr. Swindell's absence was felt by all the Clubs, and it is hoped that he will soon be back in the ranks. Mr. Sneeringer took his place as "end man," and sang "Goo-goo Eyes" and "Rhoda" with good success.

After the concert a reception was given in the "Chase Home," one of the finest old houses in Annapolis. A number of the town's fairest maidens were present and received the men with praise and smiles and chicken salad, all of which were highly enjoyed. Just before leaving, the men got together and sang in pathetic strains, "Bring the Wagon Home, John," and "Don't Forget the Hopkins Lads." Then, with a few

cheers and "Hullabalooos," they separated, some going home to rest and dream of the fair faces of the evening, while others hastened to an adjourned meeting of the "M. R. W.," held at the "Maryland Hotel." Here toasts were given and songs were sung till the Annapolis police became nervous and decided to join the feast. Their unwillingness to submit to the necessary initiation caused great discontent among the members, and the meeting had to be adjourned.

The next morning at nine o'clock, everybody met once more at the station and took the train for home. These short trips are really more enjoyable than the extended Christmas and Easter trips, and, as there are going to be quite a number of these during the next two months, more Hopkins men should avail themselves of the pleasures derived from the Clubs. There are several positions now open on the clubs to men who are willing to give some of their time to good, hard practice.

SOME MUSICAL HINTS.

Editor-in-Chief of THE NEWS-LETTER,
The Johns Hopkins University.

Dear Sir: In looking over the article in the last issue of your paper entitled "Heard in the Rear," in which the author undertakes to criticise the work of the Musical Clubs in the Baltimore Concert, I noticed several assertions that in my mind will work injury to the Clubs. So, as I paid the utmost attention to every piece in this concert, and have listened to a number of discussions by musical critics concerning the merits of the clubs, I have determined to seek the use of your columns in order to praise the men and leaders for their excellent work and to offer a few suggestions which may perhaps benefit concerts in the future.

In the first place, I must congratulate the men for one of the best concerts ever given in Baltimore by any College organization. The selections were all well chosen, and the medlies showed most skillful arrangement. One mistake that has, in some inexplicable way, been spread broadcast is that "My Lady Lu" is an old piece. Now this is not the case for it came into popularity during the middle of last summer. In fact the Glee Club music is all recent except one medley and the two University odes. Then, as to the Mandolin Club being inferior to last year, I think this is most decidedly incorrect, and I am strengthened in my opinion by the majority of those who heard the clubs last year. True, the Mandolin Club last year, raised the standard much higher than it

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AN ESSAY.

Editor in Chief News Letter,

Dear Sir:—I enclose the following account of the Zoo's destruction, as I think our college paper's next issue should contain some graphic account of that catastrophe. I do not care to append my name to the article, as I am not writing for fame, but for the "joy of the working."

Yours respectfully.

N. B. I have decided to sign with my class numerals, as I think everyone should endeavor to shed as much lustre upon his class as possible.

THE BURNING OF THE ZOO.

Fire! The cry rang out somewhere. I looked out of the window to see the snow upon the streets and neighboring housetops tinged with a ruddy glow. Hurriedly donning my hat and coat, I rushed into the street banging the door after me. The sky was brilliantly illuminated as far as the eye could reach. Throngs of people streamed towards that part of the heavens which brightened perceptibly as I approached. Old people, young people, middle aged people, and colored people, mostly colored people—their ebony faces touched by the yellow light, shone with the subdued ruddiness of bronze. (The editor reluctantly omits the author's brief reflections covering sixteen sheets of foolscap upon: (1), the multitude of people, representing so many and such varied interests; (2), the holiday spirit which had "grafted itself upon them;" (3), the good humor and "bonne cominarady which saturated the atmosphere;" (4), "the evident interest which pervaded the whole;" (5), a dissertation upon curiosity and its not infrequent unhappy consequences, as exemplified by a certain precocious child and a live wire. The author is trying for a position upon the NEWS LETTER staff. The omitted matter is of a quality that assures him his place upon the board) Several people cried out that the Zoo was on fire. The fire itself was now in sight though several squares off. Quickening my pace, I hurried forward. It was the Zoo. Upon the outskirts of the crowd, a negro urchin, who was leading a band of boys somewhat smaller than himself, attracted my attention. He wielded a broom-

stick in the manner of a drum major, and with a mighty swagger. His evolutions were cut short by a murmur which ran among the crowd to the effect that the animals were out. He dropped his stick, said he guessed he'd go home, and "took out." His lieutenant said, "I ain't goin' to run," and followed the drum major. The rest of the band rapidly dispersed. One boy ran up behind a fat old colored woman, and barked so ferociously, that the unoffending old lady, taken by surprise, completely collapsed, sitting down upon the pavement with force. In spite of the great beauty of the fire, I found myself speculating upon the terrible consequences of wild animals running amuck among the crowd. (Only a lack of space prevents the publication of the author's speculation, which gives a vivid account in twelve sheets of what his torn and conflicting feelings would be, if there were any "terrible consequences." This speculation merges into a tirade upon "carelessly constructed public buildings, built with a view to catching fire," and closes with a sympathetic outburst for the pent-up animals and the determination to become a member of the S. P. C. A.) The falling of the roof recalled with a start my wandering thoughts. A great crash, followed by a shower of sparks shooting upwards into the azure of the sky, cast over the ashen features of all a purple glow. An enormous cloud of smoke hung for an instant like a black pall over all. Then it billowed away. The fall of the roof left several solitary poles standing, up which the lurid flames languidly licked. The glory of the fire went with the roof, and beyond a few live wires performing in the near foreground, nothing more of interest occurred. The great crowd slunk away, and I slunk with it.

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MAY HIS SHADOW NEVER
GROW LESS.

He's only a scrub in our Hopkins cage,
Yet a noble sight to me,
Wasting his time for the 'Varsity's sake,
He knows what he cannot be.
Yet he works and grinds for others' rewards
Write his name on our history's page,
What he tried to do for the Black and Blue,
That scrub in the Hopkins cage. —Husky.

HOPKINS TO HAVE OUTING GROUNDS.

A BALTIMORE paper last Friday morning contained about a column of news concerning the new outing grounds which we hope to secure this spring. Mr. Mackdermott says he does not know where this article originated, as the matter was to be kept a profound secret until his plans were fully matured; but since he has been anticipated by the newspaper, he adds that the Johns Hopkins Athletic Association has been incorporated, and that we are to have a share in the new baseball grounds which are about to be established by the American League Base-ball Club. The new grounds will be a short distance from Union Park—York Road and 29th Street, and will have the same seating capacity as the old. There will be a grand stand and two sets of bleachers, one in left field, the other in right. Instead of a club house, as the paper stated, to be used by baseball players as well as Hopkins students, Hopkins will build her own club house on the grounds, near centre field, for the exclusive use of her own men. The club house will be fitted out with locker room, shower baths, rubbing boards, and all other modern attachments.

The one thing we have needed above all others for past years, is a campus; some place where our teams may practise in the open, and not have to be caged up, playing by gas light half the time. Why have our base-ball teams been a failure? Simply for lack of grounds on which to practice. Why has Hopkins above all other universities, always lacked that true college spirit which should be identical with every college or university? Because the Hopkins University is situated in the heart of the city, surrounded on all sides by dwellings, with not the least excuse for a campus, and second, because we have no dormitory life. When an athletic field is secured, it is to be hoped that these obstacles will be done away with to a great extent, and there is no reason why Hopkins, after securing these grounds, cannot shove her athletic teams to the front, and put them on a level with those of other prominent universities and colleges in the country. It might be well to say that this attempt at securing outing grounds may be solely attrib-

uted to Mr. Mackdermott's unrelaxing interest in Hopkins athletics, and if the grounds are obtained, it will be another step onward toward the goal which "Mac" and our teams deserve to reach.

ATHLETIC NOTES.

THE following schedule has been arranged for the championship series of foot-ball games for the season 1901-1902:

Nov. 9th.—St. John's vs. Western Maryland, at Westminster.

Nov. 16th.—Johns Hopkins vs. St. John's, at Baltimore.

Nov.—23rd.—Johns Hopkins vs. Western Maryland, at Baltimore.

The contest for the tennis championship of the Maryland Intercollegiate association will be held in the Hopkins cage on Wednesday, May 15th, at 10 A. M.

The annual track and field championship games will be held in Baltimore, on Saturday, May 18th. A special committee has been appointed to take charge of these games and consists of Wm. M. Mackdermott, Hopkins, Chairman; James A. Fechtig, St. Johns; and Wm. M. Black, Western Maryland.

An Athletic Association has been added to the Hopkins Club through the instrumentality of Mr. Mackdermott. Under the auspices of this branch of the Hopkins Club, Mr. Morfit Mullen will compete in the B. A. C. games which will be held at the Fifth Regiment armory this month. A baseball club will also be organized by Mr. Geo. C. Morrison, an old Hopkins baseball player, which will play during the summer months.

An addition soon to be made to the cage will be a gallery across the west end. This gallery will be ten feet from the ground and ten feet deep, with a seating capacity of several hundred. As soon as pleasant weather comes and the lacrosse team is able to practice out of doors, work will begin upon this most valuable addition.

MEETING OF INTER-COLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION.

ON Saturday, January 26th, there was a meeting of the Inter-Collegiate Association of Maryland in the gymnasium of the Johns Hopkins University. The delegates present were Messrs. Cain, Fechtig and Wisner, of St. John's; Cobey, of Western Maryland; and Mackdermott and Reese, of Hopkins.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Mackdermott, the gist of which is as follows:

"In case of two or more colleges scoring an equal number of points, then if one of these colleges shall have been champion for the previous year, that college shall continue to hold the championship for the ensuing year."

This resolution was passed and accepted as an amendment to article IX of the constitution. This amendment was the outcome of such a state of affairs as exist at the present time, concerning the foot-ball championship of the past season. Both Hopkins and St. Johns having won an equal number of games, the championship was undecided, so the necessity for the rule given above was felt.

It was also decided "that the contestants in each event in the Track and Field Championship games should be limited to four contestants from each college."

The treasurer of the Association reported that the finances were in excellent condition, and that "they were away ahead of the game."

ADVICE TO ATHLETES FROM MACKDERMOTT.

UNDER the above caption, a lengthy article was published in the *New York Sunday World*, of January 27th, giving Mr. Mackdermott's ideas on training diet. It is quite gratifying to the editors of the NEWS-LETTER that the fame of our Physical Director, and with him that of our University, has gone abroad, and that his opinions have been voiced in the great metropolitan newspapers. Part of the article in question follows:

"Prof. William M. Mackdermott, Director of Physical Training of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, has prepared a training diet for ath-

letes in training based on an experience of twenty years in practical athletics and of twelve years as a trainer, six of which have been spent at Johns Hopkins. Mackdermott has made a study of the subject and incidentally has paid considerable attention to diet for persons suffering from obesity and leading sedentary lives.

Prof. Mackdermott was for a number of years a leading member of the world famous Manhattan Athletic Club and contested as one of the old Cherry Diamond track team, winning a national reputation as a consistent all-around athlete.

"Under his tuition the Johns Hopkins boys have repeatedly won and now hold the track and field and football championships of the South. For three years they have held the inter-collegiate lacrosse championship.

"Many more persons eat themselves to death in the course of a year," says Mackdermott, "than drink themselves to death. If the temperance folks all over the country would include the advocacy of moderation in eating in their crusades, they would confer a great blessing on humanity."

"The following diet is prepared for athletes in training—who must maintain strength to do their work.

Meats—Roast beef, moderately rare; mutton chops, lamb chops and beef steak (broiled moderately rare); chicken, turkey, duck, sweetbreads, rabbit, fresh fish (no salt fish) lamb, mutton. Do not eat fat or gravies.

Vegetables—Spinach, lettuce, celery, asparagus (without oil or butter dressing), white potatoes, boiled, mashed or baked; lentils, lima and dried beans, rhubarb, greens, kale, split and green peas, tomatoes in season.

Fruits—Oranges, moderately; baked and stewed apples, currants, prunes, figs, raspberries, dates, stewed fruit.

Bread—Wheat, rye and graham bread, one day old; toast, hot bread, rolls or any kind of hot cakes must not be eaten during training period.

Miscellaneous—Eggs, soft boiled, shirred, omelet or poached; oatmeal, beef tea, mutton broth; milk, occasional, if pure; tapioco, sago, arrowroot, cocoa, grape-nuts, cauliflower."

HAPPENINGS IN THE UNIVERSITY.

DR. Ira Remsen has been chosen to represent Johns Hopkins at the meeting of the American Association of Universities, which will begin in Chicago on February 26th. The association is composed of the presidents and professors of the various universities and colleges of this country, and meets annually to discuss subjects relating to the inner affairs of university management.

Dr. Hamilton Wright Mabie, associate editor of the *Outlook*, will deliver the Turnbull lectures on poetry this spring. Mr. Mabie is well known as an author, and is also an exceptionally good speaker. His works cover a variety of literary subjects. The dates for these lectures are as yet unknown, but will be somewhere about April 11th.

The contest for the Tocqueville medal is opened once more. The medal is given to the University each year by Baron Coubertin of Paris, and is offered by the University to the student presenting the best essay on some phase of French History, political or social, of the period between 1815 and 1890.

Henry A. Converse, a graduate student in mathematics and philosophy, has been teaching during the past month at the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute. Mr. Converse has been offered several positions which will be open to him as soon as he receives his degree.

Walter B. Swindell, '01, who has been detained at home for nearly a month with a serious attack of the grip, is convalescing, and hopes to be back to the University in a short time.

The Historical and Political Science Association celebrated John Marshall Day, in the rooms of the Historical Seminary last Friday. Dr. W. W. Willoughby read a paper on "John Marshall and Political Science;" Mr. W. E. Martin, Fellow in History, read one on "John Marshall as a Historian." President Gilman made a few remarks concerning the John Marshall prize

annually awarded by the University, and Dr. J. M. Vincent spoke on "The Prize Winners."

Mr. Bailey Willis, of the United States Geological survey will begin a course of lectures on Stratigraphic and Structural Geology in the Geological Lecture Room on Thursday, February 7.

Charles Edward Lyon, '97, who left his graduate studies here last year to follow lectures in German universities, has returned after a stay of six months at the universities of Leipsic and Munich. He will continue his work in the German department here.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

LIFE WORK MEETING.

THE Association has under way a series of talks on the requirements, duties, and opportunities of the various callings, with the hope of giving practical help not only to students who have not yet determined upon a profession, but to others as well, by making more clear and positive some of the ideas that are most important. The list includes Mr. Eugene Levering on "A Business Career;" Dean Griffin on "Teaching as a Life Work;" Mr. Niles on "Law as a Profession;" and Dr. Kelly on "The Doctor of the Future." Others will be announced later. It is the purpose of the committee to conduct eight meetings on this plan, after which the Sunday afternoon services will be discontinued for the year. Five o'clock on Sunday for forty-five minutes, is the time.

CLASSES.

Twenty-five members of the Y. M. C. A. are studying the Bible in three classes meeting weekly.

Mr. A. H. Ewing has been conducting a class of a dozen men in the study of modern conditions in missions. The class will be continued for several weeks, although Mr. Ewing will sail for India the last of this month, directly after taking his degree of Ph. D. He will resume his missionary work, his station being at Allahabad.

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had been, but any one who this year heard "Salome" could not fail to notice the expression and feeling that the men themselves had for the more modulated strains. In the other pieces there is less expression than in this, on account of their being marches.

The Banjo Club, in my opinion, deserves the most praise, for they entered the year handicapped in numbers, and disheartened by their former record. But now we undoubtedly have a club that rivals that of Princeton, and this year, if proper training is kept up the Johns Hopkins Clubs will show the Princeton men that all three clubs are better than theirs.

But enough of praise: for I must come to the main reason for writing this letter, and that is to offer a few suggestions. They are all of minor significance, but still effect, to a certain degree at least, the opinion that the audience has of the clubs. To begin with, there should be more system in the manner in which the men come upon the stage. Usually they straggle in, slowly form a crooked line, and then, someone finding himself in the wrong place, there is more commotion. This of course does not always take place in just the manner described, but there is an air of uncertainty in all the clubs, especially the Glee Club, which impresses the audience most unfavorably. Then too, the leader almost invariably has difficulty in gaining the attention of his club in order to start the piece. Yet for him to start before all the men are looking at him, would bring about a weak beginning and mar the whole selection. For the old adage "work well begun is half done," is most surely applicable to Musical Clubs also. And now I would like to offer a suggestion, concerning the too frequent use of the pistol. One explosion, or perhaps two, is startling and has a good effect, but more than this only tend to make the concert like a cheap vaudeville, where the attention of the audience has to be gained by some such artificial means. The question as to the number of encores that should be given is one of some importance, for too many are apt to tire the audience, and too few give the impression that the clubs have a small repertoire. In the Baltimore concert, too many were given, and the hearers were all fatigued at the close of the programme. The number of encores is, of course, at the discretion of the leaders, and they should not be carried away by the enthusiasm of the men, but should wait for sufficient applause.

And now with these last few suggestions I will close, with most earnest wishes for the continued success of the clubs.

Yours very truly,

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Answers to examinations given in one of the leading grammar schools of Boston:

Who were the Pilgrims?

A dirty, funny set, who lived under the earth.

Name a domestic animal useful for clothing, and describe its habits?

The ox. He don't have any habits, because he lives in a stable.

If you were traveling across the desert, where would you choose to rest?

I would rest on a stool.

Mention five races of men?

Men, women, children and babies.

Describe the white race, and show that it is superior to other races?

A white man will nod at you, when he meets you on the street.

Of what is the surface of the earth composed?

Dirt and people.

Name a fruit that has its seed on the outside?

A seed cake.

Name five forms of water?

Hot water, cold water, faucet water, well water, and ice water.

Name and locate the five senses?

The eyes are in the northern part of the face, and the mouth in the southern.

Who were the mound builders?

History cannot answer this question. Science only can.

Define "flinch" and use it in a sentence?

"Flinch," to shrink. Flannel flinches, when it is washed.

By what is the earth surrounded, and by what is it lighted?

It is surrounded by water and lighted by gas and electricity.

Name six animals of the arctic zone?

Three polar bears and three seals.

What is yeast?

Yeast is a vegetable flying about in the air, hitching itself on to anything.

Why do you open the dampers in a stove, while lighting a fire?

To let the oxygen in and the nitrogen out.

What did the constitution do for the country?

It gave the president a head.

What are the last teeth that come to a man?

False teeth.

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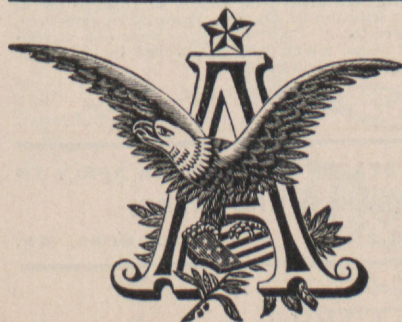
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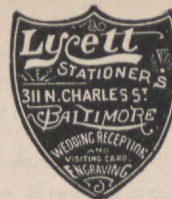
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