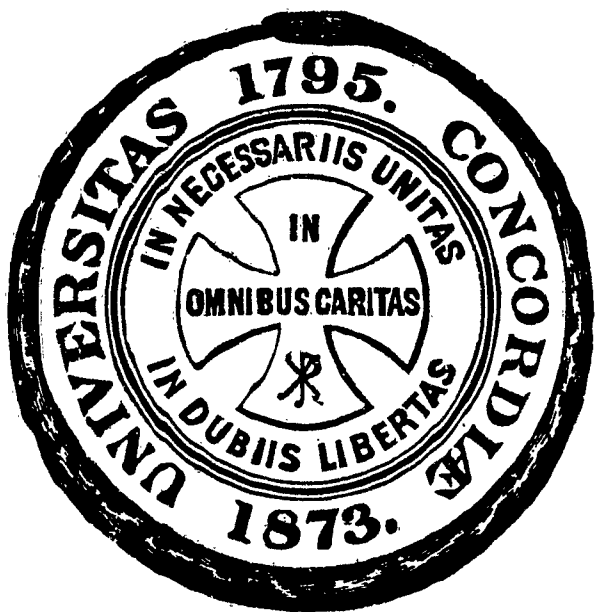


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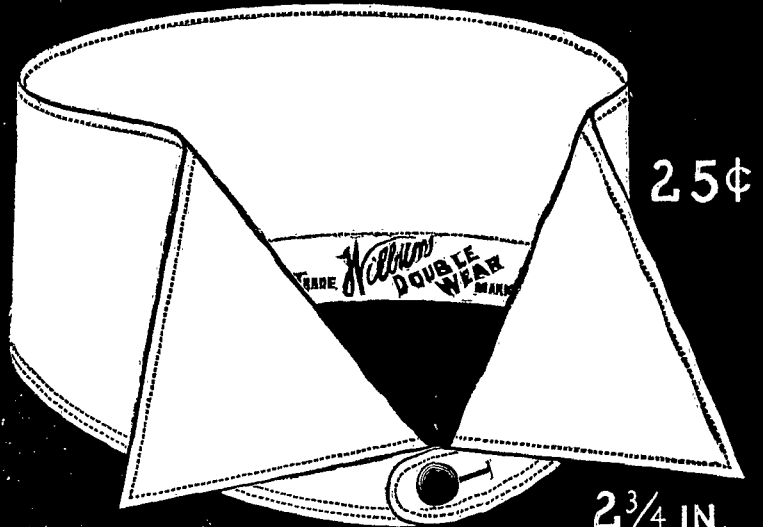
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The Utica Meet.

Flushed with the splendid success in last year's meet, the Union track team went to Utica last Saturday and put up a plucky struggle for the N. Y. S. I. A. U. pennant. The Hamilton team also came resolved to do or die and, after a hard contest, succeeded in their determination. Colgate and Hobart were represented but failed to get more than six and two points respectively. The meet was lost not through any fault of our athletes but through the fact that we had met a better team. Every man did his best and received most hearty support from the Union delegation of rooters. It was a "never give up" fight all through and even when defeat was certain our representatives endeavored successfully to narrow the margin.

The meet was held under the auspices of Colgate at the Utica driving park. The tracks, as a result of recent rains, was in but fair condition and not conducive to good time. Notwithstanding this the league records in both hurdle races, the running high jump and the mile and half-mile runs were broken, and those in the hundred yard dash and two-mile bicycle race equalled. The events were run off in a very dilatory fashion by the officials and as a result it was after seven o'clock when the last race took place. Especially good work was done for Union by ex-Captain O'Neil, ex-Captain Sylvester, Captain Price, and Weed.

Both hurdle races were easily captured by our athletes. The high hurdles were won in splendid style by Weed with Sylvester a close second in 17 3-5 seconds breaking both the college and league records, while the low hurdles were carried off by Sylvester, Weed three yards behind in 27 1/2 seconds, lowering the league record of last year of 28 seconds.

The half-mile and mile runs were also sensational events. Ostrander, the Hamilton crack,

came down the stretch in each race with a yard lead on the other competitors. Both races were sprints from start to finish and both were run in unusually fast time, the former in 2:00 4-5 and the latter in 4:35 3-5.

In the hundred yard dash Price tied Henderson of Hamilton, equalling the record of last year. He got off very prettily in the two hundred and twenty yard dash and gradually drawing away from the bunch finished some five yards to the goal, in 23 4-5 seconds.

Last year's captain, O'Neil, now at the Medical college, ran a splendid race in the 440 yard dash. There was a good-sized entry list in this event and he had a hard time shaking off the other competitors. It was nip and tuck to the seventy-five yard mark when the Union man made a plucky effort and finished with three yards to space. Medbery, '99, who was spiked badly by a Hamilton man in this race, was disqualified for fouling but at a later time the decision was revoked.

The bicycle race was of the usual slow nature, the sprint beginning in the last half mile. Medbery, '01, set the pace until the quarter pole when Stowell, of Hamilton, took the lead and finished a wheel's length ahead of the other men.

In the mile walk, Union secured second and third places easily, Hegeman and Paige both coming in with room to spare.

Union did well in the field events, considering her number of entries. The running broad jump was easily captured by Davis with a jump of twenty feet. The pole vault was won by Cunningham of Hamilton at 9 feet 6 inches, with Weed, Sylvester and Baker of Hamilton each clearing the bar at 9 feet 3 inches. In the high jump De Yae took third place, and Vrooman secured one point in both of the heavy events.

After the meet the Union team met and re-elected Morton M. Price captain for next year.

In the evening the Colgate Glee club gave a very creditable concert in the Century club auditorium, at which time the prizes were distributed.

The team of twenty-six men was accompanied to Utica by as many students, who saw that there was no lack of rooting. At the hotel, on the way to and from the grounds, and at the concert Union spirit, Union yells, and Union songs were much in evidence and these features made up in part for the loss of the much coveted pennant, which, however, must come to Union next year.

The events and the winners were as follows:

100-Yard Dash—First dead heat between M. Price, Union, and I. W. Henderson, Hamilton; Seward French, Union, third. Time, 10 3-5 seconds, which equals the Intercollegiate record.

One-Half Mile Run—R. H. Ostrander, Hamilton, won, W. W. Baker, Colgate, second; K. G. Henry, Hamilton, third. Time, 2 min. 4-5 seconds, breaking previous record by 4 seconds.

Hammer Throw (16-pound)—H. L. Stone, Hamilton, won, distance 85 feet 3 inches; R. C. S. Drummond, Hamilton, second; C. J. Vrooman, Union, third.

120-Yard Hurdle—LeRoy I. Weed, Union, won, R. W. Sylvester, Union, second; G. L. Stryker, Hamilton, third. Time, 17 3-5 seconds, 2-5 second lower than the record.

Mile Walk—W. I. Lee, Hamilton, won; E. LeC. Hegeman, Union, second; Douglas W. Paige, Union, third. Time, 7 minutes 51 1-5 seconds.

440 Yards Dash—L. F. O'Neil, Union, won; A. W. Mason, Hamilton, second; S. C. Medbury, Union, third. Time, 54 2-5 seconds.

Two Mile Bicycle Race—E. H. Stowell, Hamilton, won; F. P. Boswell, Hobart, second; N. Medbury, Union, third. Time, 6:21, which equals the record of the Union.

Shot Put (16 pound)—F. H. Cunningham, Hamilton, won, 34 feet 9 inches; S. J. Ford, Colgate, second; C. J. Vrooman, Union, third.

Running High Jump—W. I. Robertson,

Hamilton, and F. W. Dunn, Hamilton, tied for first place; distance 5 feet 4½ inches, beating the record by a half inch. D. Deyoe, Union, third.

220 Yards Dash—M. Price, Union, won; I. W. Henderson, Hamilton, second; A. W. Mason, third. Time, 23 4-5 seconds.

Pole Vault—F. H. Cunningham, Hamilton, first; distance, 9 feet 6 inches; F. F. Baker, Hamilton, E. W. Sylvester and LeRoy I. Weed, Union, tied for second place. They were given one point each.

220-Yard Hurdle—E. W. Sylvester, Union, won; LeRoy J. Weed, Union, second; J. B. Millham, Hamilton, third. Time, 27 3-5 seconds.

Mile Run—R. P. Ostrander, Hamilton, won; S. S. Huse, jr., Colgate, second; E. C. Hawley, Hamilton, third. Time, 4 minutes 35 3-5 seconds. A new record for the league.

Running Broad Jump—F. M. Davis, Union, first, 20 feet; J. B. Millham, Hamilton, second; F. W. Dunn, Hamilton, third.

The officers of the day were:

Referee, Clifford Lewis; judges, Edward Sheehan, S. W. Dixon, C. B. Mason; time-keepers, C. H. Broadbent, G. E. Wheelhouse, H. Wineburg; starter, A. O. Foster; judge of walking, Mr. Wolcott; clerk of course, M. E. Stubbs; assistants, Mr. Hawley, J. C. Jager, L. P. Hornberger, F. F. Ford; scorers, F. E. Cullen, Marvin Gaylord; measurers, Mr. Andrews, C. D. Sears; announcer, J. G. Carpenter.

First place in each event counted 5 points, second place, 2, and third place, 1, and the summary of the meet on this basis is as follows:

Colleges.	First.	Second.	Third.	Points.
Hamilton.....	8½	5½	6	60½
Union.....	5½	3½	7	43½
Colgate.....	0	3	0	6
Hobart.....	0	1	0	2

Alumni Notes.

The Rev. Alden L. Bennett, '87, of Waltham, Mass., visited his brother, Instructor Bennett, this week.

Phil. Dorlon, '89, of Troy, has secured the contract for the electrical work of the new Empire Theatre of Albany.

Union 9, Middlebury 6.

The largest crowd of the season assembled on the campus Monday afternoon to witness the last inter-collegiate baseball game of '98. It was Decoration Day and the contest had been well advertised. These two reasons, together with the fact that the people of Schenectady realize that the "boys on the hill" have an exceptionally strong baseball team, were responsible for the large attendance.

Union's opponent was Middlebury and though the score shows that the Garnet was again victorious, not until the last man was out in the ninth inning was there any certainty as to the result. The Vermont boys showed themselves to be a clever lot of baseball men and they gave Union the hardest kind of a struggle to win. The game was well played throughout and was one of the prettiest seen on the campus this year. Individual mention is unnecessary for the team played uniformly well. Thatcher and Wells were the opposing pitchers and were both effective, although each were touched up for nine hits.

It was shortly after three when the game was called, Middlebury in the field and Union, as usual, at bat. In the first half no one could score although French reached third. The run making was begun by Middlebury who sent one man across the plate on two singles and a passed ball. Union awoke to the situation in the second and four runs came in before the necessary three were out. But Middlebury by bunching their hits tied the score in their half. In the third and fourth no runs were made and Middlebury did not score again until the eighth. The fifth inning saw one more tally for Union and the sixth still another. In this inning with one man on bases Grout rapped out a high one over into the pasture and had encircled the bases before the ball was fielded. Middlebury claimed the ball a foul and though the umpire declared it fair, Captain Smith gave the visitors the benefit of the doubt, and Grout batted over again. In the seventh, Carver reached first, stole second, went to third on French's sacrifice and scored on Stewart's single. Stewart then

stole second, and Thatcher's two-bagger to left field brought him home. Union went out in one, two, three order in their half of the eighth while the Vermonters sent two men across the plate on an error, two singles, and a two-bagger. In the ninth, French made first on Halpin's error and came in on Parshall's hit to centre field. That ended the scoring, for McCuen went out at first, Skeels on a fly to Thatcher, and Stafford on a fly to Stewart.

The score in detail:

UNION.

	A. B.	R.	1B.	P. O.	A.	E.
French, 2b.....	4	1	0	2	4	0
Stewart, r. f.....	5	1	1	2	0	0
Parshall, c.....	5	0	1	10	1	0
Thatcher, p.....	5	0	1	2	4	1
Smith, c. f.....	4	1	1	0	0	0
Grout, 3b.....	3	1	1	1	2	0
Wiley, 1b.....	4	1	2	6	0	0
Cook, s. s.....	4	1	1	4	1	2
Carver, l. f.....	4	3	2	0	0	0
	38	9	10	27	8	3

MIDDLEBURY.

	A. B.	R.	1B.	P. O.	A.	E.
Stearns, s. s.....	4	3	2	3	1	1
Drake, 3b.....	5	1	1	1	1	0
T. Wells, p.....	2	0	2	2	8	0
Halpin, 1b.....	5	0	0	13	0	1
McCuen, 2b.....	5	0	1	1	2	0
Skeels, c.....	4	0	0	6	3	1
Stafford, r. f.....	3	1	1	0	0	0
Rice, l. f.....	4	1	0	1	0	0
H. Wells, c. f.....	4	0	2	0	0	0
	36	6	9	27	15	3

Union.....	0	4	0	0	1	1	2	0	1—9
Middlebury.....	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0—6

Summary: Earned runs, Union, 4. Two base hits, Carver, Thatcher, Stearns, T. Wells. Stolen bases, Stewart, Smith, Carver. Double plays, Thatcher to French, T. Wells to McCuen. Bases on balls, off Wells, 2; off Thatcher, 4. Hit by pitched ball, T. Wells (2). Struck out, by Thatcher, 9; by Wells, 5. Time of game 2:05. Umpire, Mr. Purchase.

Rev. Henry A. Buttz, '58, D. D., president of Drew Theological Seminary, and who has been connected with that institution during the thirty years of its existence, at the commencement, this month, was honored with an address by Dr. Ferguson, who at its close presented him with a check for \$2,500. This was a gift from a large number of alumni, trustees and members of the faculty to express their love.—May 28, 1898, Mail and Express.

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THE result of the Utica meet once more exemplifies the error of being over-confident from too great a reliance upon past success. While Union was dreaming of an easy victory, Hamilton was putting on the finishing touches. Union lost from the want of proper training. There was none of that enthusiasm and determination that characterized the preparations a year ago. That is what won the pennant for us then, and would have done so again, for the records which gave the victory to Hamilton were about the same as those made by Union last year. We recognize the fact that there have been some obstacles in the way, but that ought to have increased our determination and not retarded it. Then there was an idea afloat that victory would be easy, because it came so easy last year. It came easy then because we were not so sure of winning, and were in a condition to put forth all our energy if necessary. It is not well to be too sure of anything. The unexpected always happens. "Experience is a good teacher" saith the sage.

We are in the position of the man who, when his dog was worsted in a fight, said "we would have won if it had not been for the other dog."

ALTHOUGH our track athletic team did not win the Utica meet, we have a baseball team which has the very agreeable habit of winning nearly all its games. Our victories over Hamilton and Middlebury were both won by able playing and hard work against teams that have themselves been playing good ball, and while each member of the team has done well, the greatest credit belongs to Captain Smith. He has had unusual obstacles to contend with, but has nevertheless made a record of which he and we may well be proud.

PRESIDENT JONES of Hobart complains that students graduate from college too late, the average age of graduation being twenty-three. This may be very true, but is not the fault rather in the lower and preparatory schools than in the college? The minimum number of years in primary and grammar schools is eight, then come four years in the preparatory school, and then the college course. The college course could be taken in three years, but not by those who have studied twelve years before coming. The fact is, in the lower schools several years are practically wasted. It is absurd to require eight or nine years study before entering the preparatory school and four years more in that school. The average German boy at the age of nine is able to read, write and do a little arithmetic. Then he spends nine years in the gymnasium, where he emerges at the average age of eighteen knowing more than we do when we have finished college at 23. This last statement is not made rashly. We knew a man who left the gymnasium at the age of eighteen and never studied Latin again during his entire life. Forty-seven years after he talked Latin that Cicero might have spoken, not only mere quotations from classical authors but general conversation and discourse. How many of our Latin professors could do that? The fault is not with them, not altogether in our college course, but in the system of education. You cannot make an American believe that he is physically or mentally less capable than a German. The fact is, as Professor Norton says, the Americans are mere triflers, unable to understand the serious and graver duties of life. Until we, as a nation, come to a more serious view of things it is impossible to expect college students to look at life from anything but a boyish standpoint.

Ridgefield Defeated.

The baseball team went to Albany Wednesday afternoon where they defeated the nine representing the Ridgefield Athletic club. The game was played on the Ridgefield grounds and though poorly attended, was according to an Albany paper, "The best exhibition of baseball seen in Albany this year."

Parker started in to do the twirling for Union, but he was hit for five runs in the second inning and was relieved by Thatcher in the third. At the end of the seventh Union had not overcome Ridgefield's lead, but after the latter had failed to score in their half of the eighth, Union by hard hitting sent four runs in and won the game.

The score :

													R.	H.	E.
Ridgefield.....	0	5	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	—	8	8	6		
Union.....	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	4	*	—	9	12	9		

Batteries: DeVoe and Adams; Parker, Thatcher and Parshall.

At Other Colleges.

The semi-centennial celebration of Dickinson will be held June 12-15.

An inter-scholastic athletic meet was held at Syracuse last Saturday.

Pennsylvania defeated Cornell May 21 in a track athletic meet by the score of 94¾ to 23¼.

The Harvard students have presented the cruiser "Harvard" with a stand of colors and a loving cup.

Aftimus—Bechara.

The Concoriensis has received the following invitation to the wedding of Mr. Joseph E. Aftimus, '91 :

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The Senior Ball.

An exceptional interest is being manifested in this last social event of the college year, which is to take place Wednesday eve, June 22. The committee in charge are striving to make it a success surpassing that of former years, and at present, everything points to that result. A large part of the student body and many friends from out of town are expected to be present and participate in the happy event.

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The Soldier's Benefit Concert.

The College Musical association took part Tuesday evening in the concert given by the citizens of Schenectady for the benefit of the 36th and 37th Separate companies, now companies E and F, N. Y. V. Only two numbers were rendered by the clubs and they were the Cuban Battle hymn, "To Thee O Country," by the Glee club, and the "Alpha March" by the Banjo and Mandolin clubs.

As usual, the clubs were received with great enthusiasm, and the concert as a whole was a success in every respect.

The Sunday Afternoon Meeting.

Prof. Hoffman addressed the students at the Y. M. C. A. meeting on Sunday afternoon. He said in part :

You may be interested to hear of an association of young men formed more than two thousand years before the Y. M. C. A. was thought of. You may call it a Y. M. C. A., for it was composed of followers of Buddha and had as its object the dissemination of his doctrines. Buddha had spent much time in meditation as to the cause of the world's wretchedness and decided, finally, that it was desire for what they had not, that made men miserable. Therefore, eliminate desire and you eliminate wretchedness, he argued. So he formed the Buddhistic association. The Buddhists had their ten commandments, many of which corresponded to the ten we know. In addition for the more devout there were twelve

other commandments. They were to have no dress but rags, and no food or drink except what was given them without asking. They were not to eat or drink after midday. They were to have no home but the jungle and no roof but the foliage of trees. They were never to sleep lying down, but seated against a tree trunk. All these point to diminution of desire, and go back to the principle that existence in this world is the greatest evil. In marked contrast is the teaching of Christ. "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." In one case the aim is self-annihilation and in the other it is perfection. The two systems rest upon different conceptions of God. The Buddhistic conception is that God is the sum total of all that is, and that he is without personality. The Christian conceives that God is love, that He is a Being actively interested in man's welfare. This is a great contrast, and shows our present privilege. The little child now knows more than Plato dreamed, and all because of the New Testament.

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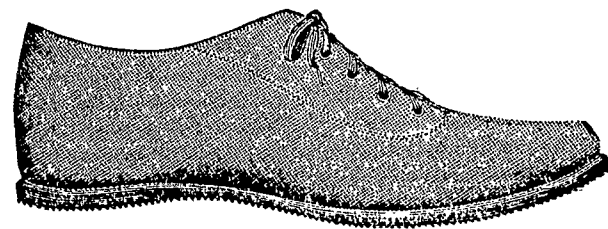
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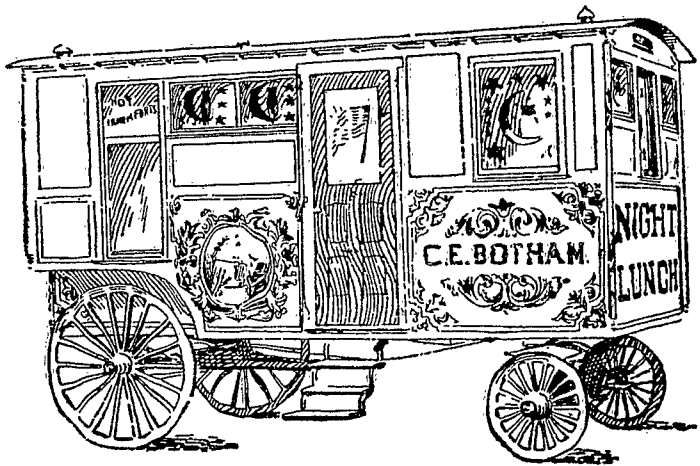
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