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CLASS GAME.

Annual Class Game Between Two Middle Classes Won by 1900.

The annual class game is a thing of the past, but bruises, boasts of great deeds and the exhilarating effect of scrapping still linger as sweet or bitter remembrances.

The game was won by 1900, 29 to 26 in the ninth inning in real grand stand style. Considering the disadvantages, the number of good plays was phenomenal, and all of the players showed great nerve and sand.



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"A Bad Scrapper."

1901 team seemed to play with a lack of confidence. Their battery was strong but was supported poorly. Angus did well on first and Wheeler played a good game. The strong batting of the team in the 8th inning which resulted in eleven runs showed they were capable of uphill ball.



"The Difficulties of the First Baseman."

The most commendable part of the game was the general good spirit that prevailed in the scrapping. It was a true gentlemanly spirit that made men shake hands after breaking off from the fiercest kind of a scrap. Another good evidence of the wholesome spirit

The team were composed of the following men: 1900, Glenn, 1st.; McKay, ss.; Howell, 3rd.; Rafferty, p.; Baldwin, 2nd.; Barrows, c.; Irwin, cf.; Hazen, rf.; Williams, lf.

1901—Angus, 1st.; Burns, p.; Heron, lf.; Lanigan, c.; Sheldon, 2nd.;



"Vengeance Reaped on Third."

was the stopping of the fireworks at the first request.

The scrapping was by no means so frequent—the class game is about the only sport we have at present in which the whole school can take part. Probably the players were treated too roughly at first base and third base but the players always allowed it in the most good natured way.

One disagreeable feature was the presence of so many persons on the field who are not connected with the school. This element was responsible for one of the accidents that happened.

The ringing in of the fire alarm later in the evening and the blowing up of the mail box are to be regretted. It is possible these acts were committed by persons who are not members of the school.

Royce, rf.; Schreiber, cf.; Gage, ss. Wheeler, 3rd.

Cullinane was substituted for 1900 and Bliss and Burke substitutes for 1901.

The score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1900,	2	2	4	5	2	0	5	4	5-29
1901,	2	5	3	0	1	1	3	11	0-26

Commons Baseball

Permission has been granted the two Commons to unite, and at a meeting of the two commons recently W. D. Hazen '00 was elected captain, F. N. Benedict '00, and D. D. Mahoney '01 first and second managers respectively.

Communication.

[The Editors of the PHILLIPIAN invite all members of the school to express their sentiments in these columns, but do not hold themselves responsible for what is said.]

Editors of the Phillipian—

It seems a shame that so very little effort has been put forth toward fitting up the tennis courts. The month of May is now drawing to a close and so far nothing has been done to get the courts on the upper campus in condition.

The two courts at the rear of the school have been only partially equipped, and to say the least it is extremely inconvenient to play under the existing conditions. Both of the wire fences, which are used as backstops, have become broken, so that the players are obliged to be interrupted many times in the course of a game to recover some ball that has rolled quite a distance from the court. Then too, the tapes on the courts are inaccurate which of course is very detrimental to the players who really take an active interest in the game.

The delay is due in part to the late and disagreeable season, but in no small measure, to the management.

Tennis has always been regarded with a great deal of interest, both in this school and outside, for although it has suffered in the past few years by the golf craze, it still remains in the foremost ranks of America's sports. Indeed, this season has marked a growing tendency in favor of the game which was once so popular, and arrangements are now being made for the annual international tournament.

Thus it would seem, aside from the fact that there is always a number of fellows waiting for the courts, would be sufficient to prove the absolute necessity of having the courts gotten in first-class condition, and as the first manager has expressed his intention of leaving school, it would be most desirable to have his vacancy filled at once.

Phillipian Extra.

The PHILLIPIAN will issue an extra immediately after the Andover-Exeter track meet next Wednesday, containing a full account of the games, statistics of the men who compete, a review of former Andover-Exeter meets and much other interesting reading matter on the track athletics of the two schools.

The extra will contain cuts of the two teams and individual pictures of members of both teams.

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NOTICE.

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ENTERED AS SECOND-CLASS MATTER AT THE ANDOVER POST-OFFICE.

The Andover Press.

Wednesday, May 25, 1899.

Right now it seems to us, while the whole affair is fresh in our minds, is the proper time to discuss the class-game and its moral effect upon the school, even though the direct bearing of such discussion be upon the question—annually a visitor, like the bugs on the elms—whether or not there shall be a class-game a year from today. The worst that can be said against it is that it is a shameless extravagance and a great waste of good money: the good things of life are consistently extravagances and wastes of money; we spend each of us a good deal every year having our trousers pressed when perhaps within twenty miles of us are men suffering from a lack of all clothing. The money with which the pleasure of the class game is bought is the fellows' own and would probably not be devoted to charity nor to any better end if there were not a class game. The game is said to be a menace to life and limb; we have no sport which is not to a certain extent dangerous, if the classes indulged in a annual game of base-ball, strictly without spectators, somebody *might* get hurt. As long as the fun is directly in proportion to the danger, who ought to complain? Certainly not those who take part in neither one nor the other. It is said also that the chief end of the class-game is to develop material for the first team, and that as the game is played this end is not attained: seriously speaking its chief end is to furnish the school a good time, but, granting a false premise, it is the practice for the game and not the game itself which develops the material, and the practice, even under present conditions, is all that it should be. In fact it seems to us that *every* thing considered the game is undoubtedly an excellent institution. We do not mean to say that it is unreservedly a good thing nor that it is in its present form perfect. A code of laws, governing the use of gunpowder, etc., should be drawn up and agreed to by both sides; marshals should be appointed by the faculty or elected by the fellows to manage the affair in all its details; then a little more sparing use of mud and eggs might be an im-

provement. Mud is said to be healthy and eggs are not attended with fatal results certainly when used as an external application. nevertheless, if we be allowed to suggest, there should come a time in our development from the primeval mists of muckdom into the full light of Andover manhood when we would put away mud and when the egg would lose its charm.

The game offers a splendid opportunity to every fellow for the use of self-control and exercise of discretion, for the preservation of temper and the prompt decision as to what to do and what not to do. If for no other reason let there be a game next year and for many years after in order that we may *not* throw eggs and mud, and that we may *not* as private individuals lose our tempers, that we may *not* transgress the laws nor the rights of our neighbors. However, the small acts of mischief and even of vandalism which perhaps necessarily are in-

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cidental to such times of excitement should be looked upon not as the acts of the school but as the acts of foolish and wrong minded individuals. There are fellows among us who, even in the piping times of peace, steal text books, let us remember.

Besides serving as an outlet for some of our superabundant energy which might otherwise spend itself to more serious ends, the game is really an excellent oratorical training for many of us. We sighted many luminaries on that day who perhaps would have shone brighter in the more congenial realm of debate. As a matter of "sixteen to one" ratio: given sixteen silver-tongued orators to manage one small brass cannon and the result in oral and executive development is prodigious.

But the best thing about the class game is the fact that it tends to bind the four hundred of us together in a closer and more literal fellowship than does anything else. It is to the many and separate cliques, clubs and classes of the school just what the Olympic games were to the many and inharmonious states of old Greece. Severally we do many things and together we see many things done, but the class game is almost the only

thing we do together: and doing things together makes men brothers. One rush of the classes from the opposite sides of the campus and the mêlée in the center bears a surer and sounder fruit of school spirit than a score of mass-meetings in chapel. Five seconds of close, clutching, smothering, crushing companionship under a heap of twenty other fellows makes one better acquainted with his fellow than five months of recitations with him: and if you give a man one good butt in the belly he is apt to cherish towards you a warmer feeling than if you had prayed with him. The game is a grand lusty leveler of distinctions, social and scholastic: the camera club meets the hockey team, the cheering staff may throw mud at the PHILLIPPIAN editors (for a change) and the president of Inquiry meets in mortal combat the fellow who reads Ingersoll. It is a sort of annual declaration of democracy, a swearing to the blood-brotherhood of the Ivy. And on the day after the lordliest senior in the high places on Morton Street will hail the lowliest prep out of the wilderness of Salem Street as a man and a brother — provided only that he hath shown himself to be a man of valor and not averse to the soil — even as deep calling unto deep.



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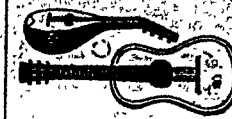
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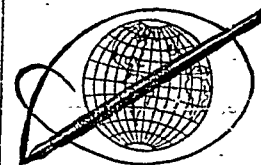
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