

him staying around the hotel alone all evening and he might as well come along. He said he didn't *belong* and didn't like to go without an invitation. But mother prevailed on him to get in and go up to the hall door with her anyway. So he agreed, and off they went. When they got there of course father went with her to the entrance. But there she was surrounded in a flash by a throng of ladies who said how awfully glad they were to see her again, etc., etc.

"In the meantime father was standing off in one corner until a casual glance of one of the young ladies recalled mother to her senses, and she went to him and led him forward to be introduced. After this ceremony they talked around to each other a little while till father began to take leave of the ladies. They protested, of course, that he should not go; but he said he didn't *belong*, he hadn't "a wedding garment" (he meant the ribbon I suppose); but just then their attention was attracted by cheering inside the large hall; the proceedings were evidently beginning. The president spoke and some other officers delivered addresses. Then prominent individuals were called on by the crowd generally. At last when all these seemed to have spoken the idea struck some of the girls to call on father. They called out, 'Mr. Watson! Mr. Watson!' But father shook his head and protested again that he didn't *belong*. And he kept his seat in spite of them. This state of affairs appeared rather unjust to some one of the girls (I don't know whether she then anticipated similar embarrassments at the next re-union for a certain *other* gentleman or not); but when it came to make changes in the constitution she moved that a new class of members be established, to be known as "Honorary Members," to which every person who became the husband or the wife of a member of the class would *ex-officio* belong. This motion was carried unanimously and father was initiated as the first Honorary Member. The Secretary gave him a red ribbon for his watch chain and then he couldn't get out of making a speech. And mother says it was a good speech, too."

"And weren't there any of the gentlemen married too," asked Reid.

"Oh, yes, I think so," said Miss Watson, "but they had left their wives at home, I guess. At any rate nothing more happened that night. They separated to meet again in 1908. When the time came round at last and father and mother were getting ready to go to Toronto again they took me along because I cried so hard to go. They had to take me to the meeting, of course, and were relieved to find that they were not peculiar in this respect; for several other members of the class had their little girls and boys there too. It was quite a brilliant affair; I remember it first rate. We must have pleased the old folks pretty well that night too, for another amendment to the constitution was unanimously passed, declaring all descendants of members of the Class of '98 to be also members of it unless by a university course, or, in case of the women, by marriage, they enter another class, in which case they must adopt the corresponding color."

"Why, that's very like the old Roman laws in regard to families and clans," said Reid.

"Yes, and that's the reason why, last re-union, a member who had graduated in classics moved that our name be changed from 'The Class of '98,' to 'The Clan of '98.' Though I don't like the change a bit."

At this point in the conversation the train reached the writer's station, and he was obliged to leave the two. For some years he wondered if Miss Bella Watson did not remain within the sacred circle of the Clan of '98 though making Australia her home; but he met her accidentally about six years after and, behold, the ribbon was BLUE. There was no love story there.

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1,200,000 cigarettes are sold every month by one New Haven firm to Yale students.

GLEE CLUB.

The Glee Club had a remarkably well attended practice on Wednesday in Y.M.C.A. Hall. It need hardly be said that the club this year will be as good, if not better, than that of former years. As the music which the club intend rendering at their concert had not arrived, several choruses, which, though in the song book, had not yet been sung, were practiced, and the members showed considerable talent in picking up harmonies and melodies which many of them had never before heard. These will come handy at the many public appearances of the club; and as two invitations have already been received, these also appear to be up to the usual number. It is very satisfactory to the committee to see such an interest displayed in the club and its doings, and if the old members would only turn out in full numbers they would have a chorus of seventy voices—the largest that the club has ever had. As it was, there were fifty-four at the practice. With a chorus of seventy or seventy-five voices the club could come before the public as the largest male chorus (and, of course, the best) in Ontario. Why should this not be possible out of such a large body of students, and each of them a voice? New voices are ever welcome; and Mr. Schuch, the conductor, will be pleased to assign persons before or after any practice.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE.

The Engineering Society held its first meeting for the year on Tuesday last, there being a full attendance, including a large number of new men. The principal part of the programme consisted of the address, as is the custom at the first meeting, by the new President, Mr. J. K. Robinson, '91. This was enthusiastically received, as it indeed deserved to be. Open letters were then read from ex-Presidents Duff and Haultain. The latter is now chief engineer of a mining system in Bohemia. Next followed short anecdotes and instructive sketches by those who were "out" on surveys and engineering works during the vacation. Mr. C. J. Marani was elected Graduates' Representative, and nominations were received for First Year Representative. On the whole the first meeting was auspicious, and, with the interest which has been taken so far by the engineers in the Society, this year promises to be a most successful one.

New drafting tables have been provided for the Third Year men, and are a decided improvement on the old style.

Messrs. Merril, '90, Lea, '92, White, '92, Milne, '92, and Hauley, '93, of the Mechanical Engineers, have been engaged in making observations and tests of the pumping capacity of the engines in the new high-level pumping station on Avenue Road. The results are to be embodied in a report to the City Council. These tests required the utmost care and attention and lasted over a period of forty-eight hours, commencing Thursday last at 9 am. The time was divided into shifts, two men being on hand constantly.

A friendly brush, which could not conscientiously be called a rustling, took place between the Seniors and Freshmen a few days ago. The "faculty" found its way down two flights of stairs to the dark corridors below, with the evident purpose of admonishing the parties concerned, but a reconciliation was soon effected upon due explanation.

The School of Science now boasts of an Association Football team, and although their "season" opened with an ill-omened defeat by the "Residence Butes," great things are expected by the Engineers, for there is good stuff in the school, if it could only be got out.

In a German university, a student's matriculation card shields him from arrest, admits him at half price to theatres, and takes him in free to the art galleries.