

whom they do not want, and in whom they can have no confidence. Fortunately for our athletics this seldom happens. Usually the nominees of the team are elected by the club, and this election ratified without demur by the Alma Mater Society. But the fact remains that the thing is possible, and some day it may cause trouble. Under ordinary circumstances the choice of the team should not be interfered with. The players know their men, and whom they can trust. If a stranger or a person they do not want is thrust upon them they cannot be expected to do good work.

It is not in the Alma Mater Society that trouble is likely to come—if it ever does come—but in the club. And here there is ample room for it to arise because of the wide difference in the personnel of the club constitutionally and the personnel of the club actually. Theoretically every student is a member of every athletic club, but in reality only the enthusiasts in the different lines attend the club meetings. These, often members of the teams themselves, know the inner workings of the club best, and as a rule may be trusted to act in the best interests of their club. It is hardly fair that other so-called members who have perhaps never attended a meeting of the club before should be allowed to come in and override the actions of the real active members. But on the other hand it would not be constitutional to exclude any student from the meetings of any club, nor to prevent his voting at those meetings. It is right that the different teams should be responsible to their respective clubs. It is right that the clubs should be responsible to the student-body in the Alma Mater Society. But

it is not right that such wide scope should be given for unnecessary interference. There is a problem here for some constitutional expert to solve.

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THE YEAR BOOK.

THE class '06 in all faculties is showing commendable enterprise in starting the year-book scheme at Queen's. In future years student days will be the most pleasant days to look back upon, and every one who has once been a student should have some souvenir which will recall old times. So far, class pictures and group photographs of various kinds have been the only souvenirs which Queen's students could carry away with them. These, at best, are inadequate souvenirs, and recall only a phase of college life. Class groups, and indeed many of the other groups, are purely faculty or year affairs, while student activities and relations about Queen's are largely interfaculty and inter-year. Then with the growth in the number of students, class groups have become so large as to be unwieldy, and many have preferred the book or album form. But such books cost more than students at other colleges pay for their year books, while they do not by any means fill the same place.

College life, after all, cannot be represented in a series of photographs. It is much too broad and elastic for that. Photographs are good and should be retained in the form of half-tones. But they should be supplemented by drawings, cartoons, word-pictures, sketches, and the like, anything and everything that will give an adequate idea of the student's four years' residence at Queen's, that will