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### HANDS ALL ROUND

To our rivals in the Inter-Varsity, greetings! Old McGill, you nearly got us last year; now you have another chance. Make the most of it, for you have a hard nut to crack. Queen's our opponents on many a "hard-fought field," to-morrow we meet you again. May the best team win! Ottawa, plucky little Ottawa, you have fought a hard up-hill fight for several years. Here's luck! You deserve it.

To our own heroes, the champions of Toronto's honour,—to you all success! Go in and win, and hold for your Alma Mater the trophies she has won.

### AND THE HONOUR OF U. OF T.

Tomorrow sees the first game of the 1911 Inter-Varsity series and we take the opportunity of getting rid of a sermon which has long oppressed the editorial chest. Perhaps it should rather be called a tract. Now, as Kipling says, writing a Tract is a Feat, and if this one fall short of the fervour of the "War-Cry," it is rather from lack of practice in this difficult art, than from any other cause. We beg, in advance, your indulgence.

It has seemed to an outsider, who follows keenly sports of all sorts, that a spirit far from desirable has been creeping into athletics at Varsity. It is the contemptible spirit of "win at any cost." We do not agree with the outside in this respect. Varsity athletics,—we say it in all humility, yet with a certain pride, too—have for years been remarkable for their cleanness. But there is a spirit which, we think, no one can help noticing; a spirit which, in the bleachers, corresponds to the "win at any cost" in the team. It is the mean sort of spirit which sees good play, good sport, and good temper in one team only. That sort of thing is in a measure excusable in a crowd of roughs at a baseball game in a country which we shall not mention; it is absolutely inexcusable at the University of Toronto. It is not very strong yet. Most of us remember with a great deal of pleasure the good feeling that was prevalent in Hamilton last year. But there were other incidents in the season of '10 that we are glad to have forgotten; games in which the teams behaved like the gentlemen they were, and the bleachers, having shouted loudly about the "honour of U. of T.," proceeded to drag that honour in the dirt before a visiting team and its supporters by loud and clear renderings of a certain parody of a certain yell. They were insults to our guests. Pretty poor sport, wasn't it?

Varsity, it's up to you! Your teams have covered your arms with glory. Don't spoil it, now, by showing poor sport in the bleachers. "*Palmas qui meruit ferat.*" Honour where honour is due, whether it be in our own team, or in that of our rivals. "THE HONOUR OF U. OF T."—watch it, Varsity!

No Monoplist.—"That girl on the breakers is evidently in distress. Why don't you help her?"

"It would be very bad form. I rescued her yesterday."—*Kansas City Journal.*

### RESIDENCE FRESHMEN

#### Here is a Set of Rules For Your Guidance

After mature deliberation and profound investigation, the former residents at the University residence who are back once more have finally succeeded in perfecting (it is hoped) a set of rules for the guidance of all erring freshmen who are in residence. It is with pain that the older students are forced to admit that occasionally a freshman has committed the most heinous offence of not observing one of the following rules; but it is hoped that this publicity will effectually remedy any such oversight, and will prevent the re-occurrence of any careless omissions.

The rules are subjoined below, with the reservation that they are by no means complete, nor do the compilers deny that many other hints of equal value may have been omitted. However, it is hoped that these will at least jog the memory of any careless freshman.

1. Always fall downstairs on your heels whenever anyone else is talking at the phone. It is both effective and safe, for the fellow talking is not going to leave the phone to attempt any playful outrage on your person in reprisal.

2. Invariably leave the plug in the wash-basins after using. It is good training in patience to make the next man pull it out.

3. Never fail to have every single volume of books you order at Eaton's sent up. That's what the delivery wagons are for.

4. Always clog along the corridors when coming in at 1 a.m. No other fellow should be in bed that early, anyway.

5. Be sure to leave your keys in your room when going out for the evening. It always makes the residents so happy to crawl out in pyjamas to let you in.

6. Always leave your room cluttered with paper and rubbish. Isn't the janitor paid to clean it up?

7. Under no circumstances forget to take books from the Common Room Library to be returned next spring.

8. Finally, always remember that the Residences do not exist to add to your wellbeing in any way, but solely for you to bless and lighten with the sun of your presence.

### FRESHETTE FINDS SENIORS VERY OBLIGING

To the Editor of The Varsity.

Dear Sir:

In the recent issues of "Varsity," I have noticed various timely suggestions on many subjects, with reference to "freshies." Whether the remarks have been prompted by the carriage of this year's class, or are merely the fatherly suggestions of one who has observed former classes, I know not, but this I have noticed, the remarks have been directed more to the freshmen than to the freshettes—presumably because the freshettes present and past have given less cause for such comment.

Being a freshette, naturally I do not wish to opine on the demeanors of my kind, and am glad to receive the impression that we are each taken under the guardianship of old Varsity, not wholly on a first idea received from our self-conscious manners, but with regard to the finished article that may be moulded from the raw material which our characters possess. So be it.

It is a word re the sophomores and girls of the higher classes, I wish to speak. Not having a brother or sister to coach me in the ways of students, I had to rely on the ever varying reports of strangers, and I assure you it was with something of the feeling of the child who had stolen the jam and suddenly remembered in the maternal presence she had not washed her face since, that I, a freshette in truth, joined the incoming tide. I felt that it would be an unpardonable misdemeanor for me to act in any such way that would cause an under-breath comment "There's another freshette." And yet, feeling so, was it not natural I should look it? With this attitude prevailing, I looked for it in my fellows and felt certain I could detect every freshette in the crowds about me, on those busy registration days. I had been previously informed that one need expect no relief from our bewilderment upon applying to the senior girls. They had had their year of wonderment, and we must find the clue to our maze. But I wish to remark to any freshette who still is not released from her consciousness of being a stranger, that I found out for myself whether or not the so-called



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hard-hearted daughters of experience had any sympathy in their being, and I take this opportunity of thanking the seniors for their unfailing consideration, and of suggesting to the still fearful freshettes that they may put their trust in any self-possessed young lady who is at leisure, and I am sure it will not be misplaced. Not once have I received a rebuff of any kind—always they have shown interest and have given the fullest explanations to my various queries, which no doubt are tiresome to many of them. I have asked of them and have found—I have knocked and they have opened unto me.

Yours

FRESHETTE.

[Freshette will, we are sure, also find the gentlemen of the senior years very obliging.—Ed.]

### THE ONLOOKER'S CORNER

Did you ever notice how many words in our language significant of death and tragedy begin with the letter "D". The Onlooker happened to mention this fact to the Poet the other day. He had hardly spoken before the rhymist had uncapped his fountain pen and in less time than it takes to tell he had invoked the Muse and perpetrated the following atrocity:

A DIRGE IN D MINOR.

In a Dungeon Dark and Dismal,  
Dank and Dreary, Dim abysmal  
Dropped a Damsel quite Deterious:  
Her Disease was Dreadful serious.  
When she's Dead, Defunct, Deceased—  
At this point the star reporter smote him with a copy of Punch, which was the heaviest thing in the office.

### OUR QUERY COLUMN\*

Ignoramus: No, the word Caput has nothing to do with architecture. It is a legislative body composed of professors, etc.—THE ONLOOKER.

\*Address all questions to the Query Column.

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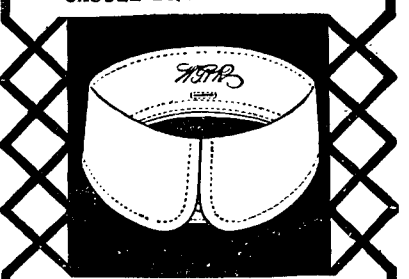
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