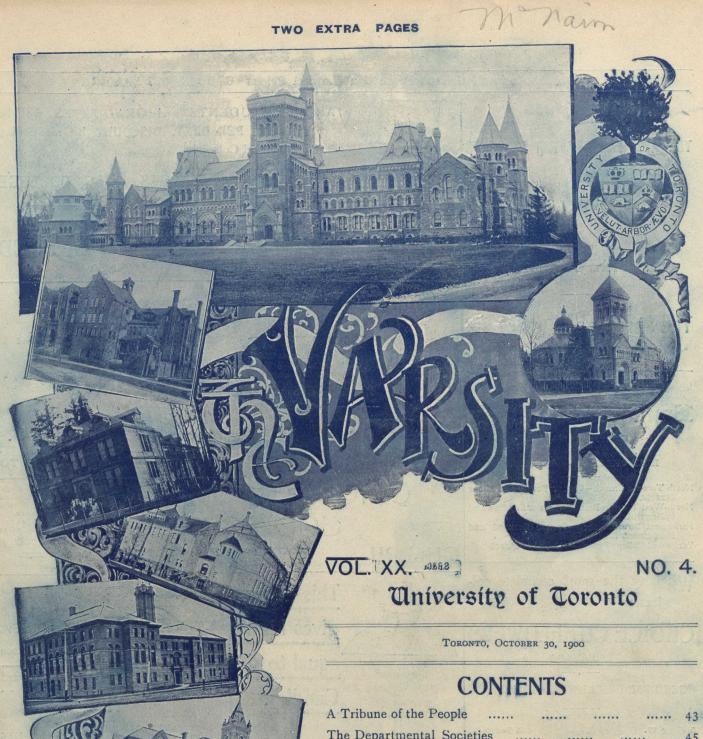
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WILLIAM J. BRYAN, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE UNITED STATES.

A TRIBUNE OF THE PEOPLE.

By H. T. COLEMAN, 'OI.

A few months ago, I was one of a large crowd of people who lined both sides of the chief thoroughfare in an American city, watching the passing of a parade. There were in the line of march, bands of music, squadrons of police, carriages full of civic and state worthies, and numerous organizations political and otherwise. All these however were only the minor part of the procession. What pomp and dignity they displayed simply went to swell the tribute of welcome to a plainly dressed man who rode in an open carriage, bareheaded and bowing almost continuously to the cheering multitude. All that most of the crowd saw was a head partially bald, a mouth of generous width, a plain black coat, and a turn down collar with a narrow black tie surmounting an ample shirt front, but they recognized the man as Wm. J. Bryan and they cheered.

Half an hour later I squeezed my way as far as possible into the outskirts of a crowd of six thousand people packed into an enormous circus tent. This crowd had no patience with preliminary speeches. They had come to hear one man and woe be to the local orator who sought to engage their attention even for one brief minute. They silenced him speedily. "When the speaker of the occasion arose"—I am quoting now from a Democratic newspaper,—"he was greeted with a shout that might shake the stars from the blue empyrean. Again and again tumultuous waves of sound rolled over that vast audience and broke against the platform like the stormy Atlantic thundering against his rocky ramparts. The crowd outside caught the contagion and deep called unto deep in thunder-

ous acclamations to the people's champion. Suddenly the man whose rising had evoked this mighty outburst raised his hand and all was breathless silence."

During the two hours' speech that followed, I was only dimly conscious that I was standing, and on muddy ground at that. Of many of the statements made I strongly disapproved, and yet I cheered as heartily as the veriest Democrat of them all. But then, it was not the statements that I applauded so much as it was the man, his intense earnestness, his magnetic personality, and the marvelous simplicity, directness, and forcefulness of his words. His voice, though, was the chief charm. It had the resonance of a pipe organ. I would have listened intently had he spoken in Sanskrit. Every word was enunciated so clearly that people standing fifty feet or more from the outside of the tent could hear distinctly. I knew then what Homer meant when he spoke of "winged words."

It is to be supposed that most of the readers of Varsity know of the meteoric rise of Mr. Bryan. Before the Chicago Convention of four years ago he was known to comparatively few outside of his own State of Nebraska, and to them only as a very successful campaign orator who had served one term in Congress. He came to Chicago on the occasion referred to without a following. He was not even sure of a seat in the convention, since there were two rival delegations from his State. Packed in his grip, however, was his best speech. The convention was a highly emotional one, the psychologic momen

arrived, the speech was delivered, the convention stampeded in his direction, his nomination was made unanimous, and the Democratic party entered on a new era of its existence. Then followed months of campaigning in which he visited nearly every State in the Union, speaking for five or six hours a day and at nearly all hours of the day and night. His defeat at the Presidential elections apparently did not discourage him. To a book which he



THEODORE ROOSEVELT, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR THE VICE-PRESIDENCY.

published a few months afterwards he gave the significant title of "The First Battle." Neither did his defeat affect the allegiance of his followers. His supremacy in his own party remained unquestioned, insomuch that, though only a private citizen, he was able to influence powerfully legislation at Washington. To-day he is in the eyes of partisan Republicans an unprincipled demagogue. The more liberal members of that party regard him as a well-meaning but narrow-minded man, of undoubted ability, but possessing, in matters of statesmanship, more voice than To those of his own party (or rather, parties, for he is the nominee of the Democrats, of the Silver Republicans and of one wing of the Populist party), he is a second Moses, who is to frustrate the tyrannical designs of the Pharaohs of the modern monopoly, and to lead the American people out of the bondage of industrial servitude into a Promised Land where there shall be "equal rights to all and special privileges to none." He and his party hope to accomplish this deliverance not by revolutionary means, but by legislation and executive action directed against three great evils which have grown up under Republican administration and which, in the opinion of Mr. Bryan and his followers, threaten the very life of the nation. These are, (1) militarism, as exemplified in the increase of the regular army from twenty-five thousand to over one hundred thousand; (2) imperialism, as shown by the manifest intention of the administration of Mr. McKinley to keep the Philippines as a permanent colony, and (3) the trusts, of which the Standard Oil Company is the most conspicuous example.

It would, I think, be unwise for me to devote any space to a discussion of the general issues of the contest in which the American people are at present engaged. One may find able expositions of these in the various American magazines and in a recent number of our own Canadian

Magazine. I prefer to speak of Mr. Bryan himself rather than of the principles which he so enthusiastically

champions.

In Mr. Bryan's library in his home in Lincoln, Neb., the place of honor is given to a picture of Thomas Jefferson. This fact seems to me to have a significance. Jefferson is Mr. Bryan's favorite authority, both as to political doctrines and as to habits of life. The American school-boy reads in his history that Jefferson, on the occasion of his inauguration as third President of the United States, rode up to the Capitol, dismounted, tied his horse to a paling, went inside, read a five minutes' inaugural address, went out, re-mounted his horse and rode home. A similar simplicity is noticeable in Mr. Bryan's surroundings and habits of life. His home is a quite unpretentious frame structure, fitted up with few pretentions to luxury. In many of his political speeches he tells his audiences of his five-acre farm just outside of the city of Lincoln. In discussing agricultural problems he alludes to his experience in raising oats, and while hesitating to call himself a farmer, asserts that he is an agriculturist. The distinction he draws between these two classes is that a farmer makes his money in the country and spends it in the town, while an agriculturist makes his money in town and spends it in the country.

Few will deny that singleness of purpose has been a prominent characteristic of Mr. Bryan's career. It is quite probable that early in life he realized the inalienable right of the American boy to a chance for the presidency. At any rate, while in college he paid great attention to the cultivation of his powers of public speech, was a prominent member of several debating clubs, and on one occasion

won second place in an oratorical contest.

Although qualified for the practice of law, political life



ADLAI STEVENSON, DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR THE VICE-PRESIDENCY.

has had such strong charms for him, and the demands for his services as a campaign speaker have been so numerous and urgent, that his legal experience is necessarily somewhat limited. His version of the matter is that he has been so busy prosecuting the Republican party for grand larceny that he has had no time for the details of his profession.

Since the beginning of his public life, Mr. Bryan has been prominently identified with the movement in favor of

the free coinage of silver. Unlike Mr. McKinley, who in recent years has changed his views on that question, Mr. Bryan is still an ardent supporter of that doctrine. a well known fact that, during the progress of the National Democratic Convention at Kansas City in July of this year, when the Committee on platform were much in doubt as to advisability of re-affirming the allegiance of the party to the doctrine of free coinage, he insisted, as a condition of his acceptance of the presidential nomination, that a declaration in favor of free coinage should be inserted in the platform. It is highly possible that, but for this ultimatum, no such declaration would have been made.

Mr. Bryan is quite fond of quoting scripture in his public addresses. For example, he finds a modern counterpart of the incident of Ahab and the vineyard of Naboth in the American usurpation of authority in the Philippines. These allusions to scripture however, unlike those of many political speakers, are always reverent and in good taste. Morever he succeeds in inspiring his audience with some-

thing of the reverence which he himself feels.

All presidential candidates are of course intensely American, and the subject of our sketch is no exception to this rule. There is, by the way, a sort of Americanism whose chief characteristic is an Anglo-phobia of the most violent kind. This sort finds expression in some of the Irish American weeklies, who insisted that "Europe, not England, is the mother of America," and who invariably

refer to Queen Victoria as Mrs. Wettin.

Of course, Mr. Bryan has little sympathy with such bigotry, and yet it seems to me that he is very far from a correct understanding of the English nation and of the spirit which dominates their colonial policy. He is not, as Chauncey M. Depew said of Mr. McKinley, "a western man with eastern culture;" he is a western man with western culture, and western culture is, as a rule, strongly anti-British. Mr. Bryan, I fear, has not brought his knowledge of English history down to date. It stops at 1776. I am guilty of no injustice when I say that he regards George III., rather than Pitt or Burke or Gladstone, as the true type of English character. This narrowness of view has led him to sympathize strongly with the Boers in the struggle now so nearly ended. identifies their position at the outbreak of the war with that occupied by the American colonies at the time of the Revolution. He even regards the sympathy with Great Britain manifested by so many of the eastern journals as significant of a growing love for a monarchical form of government. "If you are in doubt," he says in substance, "as to the number of those who wish our nation to remain a republic, and of those who desire to see it degenerate into a monarchy, wait till a war breaks out between a powerful monarchy and a weak but patriotic rebublic. Watch the pendulum of public sentiment and you will have an infallible guide."

Associated with Mr. Bryan in his present campaign is Webster Davis, formerly Assistant Secretary of the Interior under President McKinley. Mr. Davis resigned his position and went over to the Democratic party because of his intense sympathy for the Boers. His speeches are full of praise for the virtue, the hospitality, the bravery, and the patriotism of that people, and of denunciation of England's bloodthirstiness and cruelty.

Because of the facts mentioned in the foregoing it seems to me that the election of Mr. Bryan, whatever effect it might have on the internal affairs of the United States, would greatly lessen the feeling of amity which at present exists between the two great English-speaking peoples. All Canadians would naturally regard such a result as a misfortune, not only to these nations themselves, but to the cause of civilization throughout the world.

THE DEPARTMENTAL SOCIETIES.

The work of the various Departmental Societies has been well outlined for the year and the programs are already arranged. These are to be published, as last year, under one cover, since this arrangement was found to be thoroughly satisfactory, and much more convenient for reference than the method in vogue previously. indeed, may be taken as one of the pleasing signs of a growing sympathy between the societies, and a recognition of the fact that any one society is able to do but a partial work in the vast field which fills the horizon of a university student. The programs will be ready as soon as they can be got from the printer, which will probably be about the middle of next week.

The Monday afternoon lectures during December and January will be continued as last year, the experiment

having proved a decided success.

Since the publication of last year's programs the Oriental Society has been formed. It may be predicted that it will find many interested visitors at its meetings from time to time. The number of the Monday lectures will thus be increased from six to seven, since each society will be represented.

A sub-committee from the executives of the societies has been appointed, consisting of Mr. A. H. Abbott, B.A.. Mr. J. H. Cameron, M.A., and Mr. H. A. Granger, 'or, to arrange all details of publication and distribution of the

programs.

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE.

The past week has been marked by an event of historic interest. On Wednesday last our respected and beloved Dean, Rev. G. A. Rix, took upon himself the benedict's estate. Mr. Rix and his bride are now enjoying their honeymoon on a fortnight's trip to New York and other places of interest across the border. Mr. G. H. Wilson, oo, naturally interested in such proceedings, supported the bridegroom most acceptably. George was "best" man this time, but still he says that now he is determined to go one better as soon as possible. Ethically speaking, he ought therefore to come very near to realizing the ideal.

The men as a whole are doing their share in furthering the movement now on foot to make the wearing of caps and gowns at Varsity a general custom. Expense would seem to be the chief consideration, but as all in Residence already have gowns (or portions of them), the cost of investing in a mortar-board should not prove an insurmountable barrier.

The elocution lectures are booming. taken to the method of instruction so readily that already even in his sleeping moments his snore has developed quite a musical modulation. We are more than thankful for the change.

Mr. R. B. Patterson, B.A., a graduate of 'oo, returned to College on Wednesday. Mr. W. E. Gilbert, '03, is also with us once more. Both men report a most enjoyable vacation, and promise to get down to hard work after such lengthened holidays. Mr. B. A. Kinder, 'oı, who has been ill with a slight attack of fever at his home in Strathroy, will, it is hoped, soon be back to help fill up the ranks of the fourth year.

The American elections, which come off the day before our own, arouse much interest among students. The Yale News is conducting a mock-election to test the sympathies of the New Haven students, and a large mock-Congress has been organized at Cornell to promote party feeling.

THE RETURN OF THE CANADIAN TROOPS FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

(BY SPECIAL PERMISSION OF THE AUTHOR).

The seal set on our nationhood, are these
Strong men returning victors from the war;
Up to the battle's very front they bore
Our country's honor, till with every breeze
Fame sang their valor round the seven seas.
For us they braved death in the cannon's roar,
For us their comrades died and nevermore
Will see the loved homes 'neath our maple trees.
Throw wide thy gates, O Canada, throw wide
The portals of thy gratitude; these men
Have roused the God in us. Now cast aside
All littleness of aim. With courage high
And loftier purpose, to thy tasks again,
And carve thine own illustrious destiny.

FREDERICK GEORGE SCOTT.

October, 1900.

MR. MILLAR'S EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Editor.

Your readers have no doubt heard a great deal about South Africa and the war during the past year, but as you have requested me to relate something of my experience as a member of the Canadian Contingent, I shall endeavor to do so. To many of us the experience was entirely novel and in some respects, I might say, disappointing. When we had taken the oath and donned the uniform of a British private, we became veritable Tommies. However, we soon became acquainted with our new duties, and made the best use of the scant comforts that were available.

Our voyage from Halifax to Capetown was uneventful, like all long voyages it became somewhat monotonous. The only point of land we saw during the voyage was St. Vincent Island, Cape Verde, and that at so great a distance that we could not make our signals understood. Our time was taken up with drill and fatigue duties during the day and guard duty during the night. The fatigues consisted of washing down the decks, carrying coal to the

galley, cleaning our quarters, etc. etc.

In due time we arrived at Cape Town and disembarked and went into camp at Greenpoint, two miles from Cape Town, a rather pretty location situated between Table Mountain and the ocean. About 200 yards distant from our camp was the old race course, then occupied by the Boer prisoners, a motley crowd, ranging in years from youth to old age. Most of them could speak English, but with a Dutch accent. Our stay at Greenpoint was but eight days when orders came to proceed to Bloemfontein. Accordingly we struck camp and by eight o'clock were entrained. The distance from Cape Town to Bloemfontein is 700 miles, and the time it takes to make the journey is three days. In the vicinity of Cape Town and for the distance of about fifty miles green grass and large trees with abundant foliage abound, but beyond this the aspect is completely changed—the grass and trees are replaced by sand and rock, and everything presents a grey appearance. It is a veritable desert. When we reached Orange River, where the Boers had previously blown up the bridge, our train crossed on a temporary bridge which had been speedily constructed by the Royal Engineers. Great ingenuity was displayed in the work. There were three piers

built in the stream on a foundation of stones, the piers being constructed by laying alternatelayers of wooden beams and iron rails. The length of the bridge would be about 100 feet and the rails were laid on large timbers supported between the piers and the shore by braces. After crossing the Orange River we enter the Orange Free State. The general appearances here were not much changed from the barren desert through which we had traveled in northern Cape Colony. In this district ostrich farming abounds, and we were very much interested as we passed along to see the dogs herding the ostriches as we do cattle here.

At last we arrived in Bloemfontein, the one-time capital of the Orange Free State, a small old-fashioned Dutch city, of mingled Dutch and English inhabitants. But we had very little time to see this city, as the next day we commenced our march up country, and at last tasted the real hardships of a campaign. After four days of hard marching we joined our regiment not far from Winburg, a small town about eighty miles from Bloemfontein, and after resting a few days started out once more for Pretoria. Walking over the loose stones and soft sand was very hard on one's feet, and the lack of water greatly added to our discomfort. Altogether we found out that we had not come out to a picnic.

After a couple of weeks' hard marching and a little skirmishing intermingled we caught up to a large party of Boers, and had our first real engagement. The Boers were very strongly entrenched on a kopje, and it took the British nearly twelve hours to dislodge them, but finally after fighting from daylight until nearly dark the Boers were defeated and driven back. After this engagement nothing of importance happened until we reached Kronstadt, where I was unfortunate enough to take sick, and a few days later I was sent back to Bloemfontein hospital.

C. J. MILLAR, S.P.S.

VARSITY BOYS AT THE WAR.

Captain Robert K. Barker, '92, son of Mr. R. K. Barker of the Toronto Post Office, has been called by one of his men the best officer in the Royal Canadians. He distinguished himself in football circles both before and after leaving Varsity, and was for a time secretary of the O.R. F.U.; but gave that up to attend to his law practice, for he was an Osgoode man in his day, too. It is a proof of his diligence as an officer of the Queen's Own, that he retained the same rank for active service that he held in the militia. Captain Barker took part in all the important engagements of C. Company, and was conspicuous during the campaign both for his bravery on the field and for his self-sacrifice in camp and on the march. He is one of the passengers on the Idaho.

Private Clarence J. Millar, son of Dr. L. F. Millar, Toronto, has chosen to repeat his first year at S.P.S. He went off in January to help fill the gaps in the ranks of the Royal Canadians last January. After going through several fights, notably at Zand River and Heilbron, he took enteric fever, and after six or eight weeks in hospital at Bloemfontein and a week in Devonshire, returned home last month. Like Private Odlum, he speaks well of the hospital service.

Corporal Joseph Jordan, another Queen's Own man from Toronto, is a brother of Harry Jordan, '97. He was in his fourth year at Toronto Medical School when he went to the front. He was present at all C company's hot fights, but later was wounded in the sternum at Doornkop. When last heard from he had fully recovered and expected to leave for home with the rest of his company.

Lieutenant C.S. Wilkie, son of Mr.D.R. Wilkie of the Imperial Bank of this city, is a member of the Queen's Own and a graduate in Arts of Trinity. At present he is in his second year at Osgoode Hall. Lieutenant Wilkie was a prominent member of C Company during its early operations, but succumbed to sunstroke a day or two before Cronje's surrender at Paardeburg, and after spending several months in hospital in Africa and England, returned home some time ago. He wanted to return to the front, but was refused permission.

Lieutenant H. Z. C. Cockburn, '91, son of Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn, ex-M.P. for Toronto, is a captain of the Governor-General's Body Guards. He has been with the Royal Canadian Dragoons continuously since their arrival at the Cape, except for two months. His horse has been hit four times in action, but he himself has not been wounded. He was specially commended by General Hutton for his conduct at the crossing of the Riet River, and has won high praise from Colonel Denison. Lieutenant Cockburn is, of course, still at the front.



Some Varsity Boys in Khaki.

F. C. MACDONALD, B.A., M.A. LIEUT, JOHN McCrae, B.A. W. C. LAIDLAW, B.A.

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R. P. BLYTH, B.A.
LIEUT. H. Z. C. COCKBÜRN, B.A.
V. P. ODLUM.

Gunner Frank Caven Macdonald is a son of the manse, his father being pastor of St. Andrew's, Scarboro. He graduated in Natural Science in 1897 and was in his fourth year in Medicine when he joined the second Canadian contingent with his brother, W. J. Macdonald, who was a fourth year Trinity medical. Both brothers were with C battery in the march to Mafeking, but were left behind south-east of Buluwayo in charge of some very bad fever cases, which they succeeded in curing under very unfavorable conditions. Both brothers have been engaged in ambulance work most of the time since, and are still at the seat of war.

Gunner W. C. Laidlaw was bred in Toronto and graduated at the Toronto Medical School in 1895. He was one of the football lights of his day. When the artillery corps was formed for service in South Africa, he was on the staff of the Orillia Asylum for Idiots, a position he still holds. He went down to Kingston on the chance of finding a place in the battery mobolizing there, and was allowed to fill the gap left by E. G. Rawlinson, the fourth year Trinity medical who was kicked in the face by a horse. Gunner Laidlaw has seen much hard service with his battery, but is still whole in wind and limb. He is not returning home at present.

Lieutenant John McCrae, of Guelph, is as highly praised by his men as Captain Barker. After completing a brilliant course in Natural Science at Varsity in 1894, he held the fellowship in Biology for a year, and then studied Medicine, winning the gold medal in his final year with phenomally high marks. He passed a year in the Toronto General Hospital, and is at present Fellow in Pathology at McGill. He is in command of the right section of D battery of the Canadian Artillery, which took part in the forced march from Carnarvon to Kenhardt, "probably the longest and hardest continuous artillery march of the war." Lieutenant McCrae has withstood the almost incredible hardships of the winter campaign remarkably well, and he is still in the field.

Private Victor P. Odlum, who has already returned from the war, is the son of a Methodist missionary, and passed his early years in Japan, though most of his life has been spent at Cobourg. For three years he lived at Woodstock and in British Columbia, and then came to Victoria University. He is now in Political Science with '03. He had much hard luck as a member of C company, having his jaw broken by the butt of a comrade's rifle, and spraining his ankle during the charge at Zand River. While in England he was introduced to the Prince and Princess of Wales. He returned to Canada last month.

Bombardier Robert B. Blyth is something of a modern templar, being both priest and soldier. He entered Varsity with the class of '98, of which he was vice-president and then president. After completing his sophomore year in philosophy, he reluctantly transferred to McGill, in order that he might be able to take lectures at the Congregational College in Montreal. He graduated in Arts in '98, and was later ordained a minister. He joined E battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, was subsequently invalided to Cowes, and returned to Canada very recently While at Cowes, he had the honor to be introduced to the Queen and Princess Christian, and a few days after to present Her Majesty with a bouquet.

Gunner Frederick G. Davey, '03, makes his home in Port Hope. He is attached to D Battery, and, though a capital mark for a Boer, has given more than he has taken.

WELCOME TO THE TROOPS.

The Idaho, with a large number of the Canadian contingent returning from South Africa on board, is expected to arrive in Halifax to-day. On landing the returning heroes will be given a royal welcome, and so throughout their whole journey home. They will come to Toronto from Montreal by special train, and will be met at North Toronto by the city regiments, civic authorities, and students. From Bloor St. to College St. on Yonge St., the way will be lined by school-children, and the march will end, it is expected, at the Armouries, the procession first passing through the triumphal Arch on the Avenue. The city buildings will be illuminated at night and on Friday and Saturday evenings, festival concerts will be given in Massey Hall. There are about fifteen Varsity men returning, some undergraduates, the rest alumni.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

Another rousing meeting of the Lit. was held last Friday evening. About 200 students were in attendance. We hope this interest will not only be sustained throughout the year, but also that it may increase weekly until every undergraduate of University College will deem it

his duty to permanently reserve Friday evening for the meetings of the society. We say duty, because the Lit. is fast becoming an "Alma Mater society" in which all questions of importance affecting the welfare of the undergraduates and their relations to the University are considered. These questions should receive the thoughtful consideration of every student, so that mature concerted action may result in every case.

One has only to consider the motions passed, and the notice of motion made at our last meeting, to be convinced of this duty. First of all, Mr. Chapman ably introduced a motion approving the formation of a battalion in the University of Toronto. After some discussion the motion was unanimously carried, and the matter referred to the executive for action. Next the motion to appoint a committee to revise the constitution was passed. The following gentlemen were appointed for that purpose: W. W. McLaren, F. Armstrong, R. A. Cassidy, H. T. Coleman, and W. A. Craick. Mr Potvin's move to have the Literary Society supply papers and magazines for the conversation rooms in the Residence was favorably considered. Unfortunately, owing to a technicality, Mr. Coleman's motion to have a committee appointed to consider the question of a permanent organization of all the faculties, and of the affiliated and federated colleges of the University was thrown out. We hope this scheme will be presented in some new form next Friday evening. Mr. Brophey gave notice of motion that the Senate of Toronto University be petitioned to make the fees of the Lit. compulsory to all students in University College. Mr. Coleman reported progress on behalf of the committee appointed to prepare a students' reception for the returning soldiers. Mr. E. P. Brown outlined the plan for celebrating Hallowe'en. The top gallery of the Grand Opera House has been reserved for University College, S. P. S. and Dentals. Let every undergraduate purchase a ticket from the committee in charge, and be on hand to share in this annual outing.

The election for fourth-year councilor on the "Lit." executive resulted in the choice of Mr. R. D. Keefe. Mr. Eedy was elected unanimously as first-year representative on the Varsity editorial board. Both gentlemen will no doubt prove valuable acquisitions to their respective executives. The call for nominations for two representatives of the first year on the "Lit." executive and for one first-year representative on the business board of Varsity brought forth a host of nominees. The elections for these offices will be held next Friday evening. Freshmen in particular should be on hand. This disposed of the business before the society. Speeches were then given by several of the graduates present.

Dr. Hargreaves, '95, strongly urged all not to be backward in taking an active interest in the meetings of the "Lit" and in the affairs of our Alma Mater and of our country. He especially asked the undergraduates to endorse the formation of a University Corps as a fitting way to show their gratitude to the State for the free and liberal education it offers them.

A. H. McLeod, 'oo (Sandy), entertained the audience in a witty speech, in which he happily referred to the spring elections and to his summer experiences in our northern wilds. In closing his address Mr. McLeod gave his best wishes to the society and hoped that some action would be taken to elevate the moral character of our party contests in Varsity.

Mr. Edgar also spoke briefly as an old student. D. W. S. Urquhart favored the society with a solo, after which the meeting was declared adjourned. Owing to the lateness of the hour the debate on compulsory fees was laid over for one week.

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COLLEGE GIRL.

Superintending Editor, Miss F. M. Wicher, 'or.

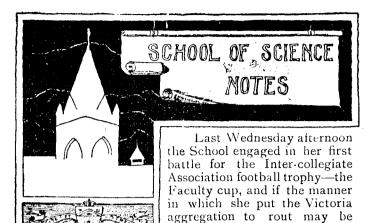
It is the acknowledged province of the fourth year women students to exercise a benign care over their sisters of the first year and to mete out to them wise admonitions from the wealth of three years' experience. And surely it is a wealth of experience if the praises of higher education are not unduly sung. In accordance then with my prerogative, I would caution the first year students not to misinterpret the advice given them, and when it is impressed upon them that study is but one side of their education, not to infer that study is altogether unimportant. Development of character, the much-talked-of summum bonum of to-day's philosophy, is advanced pre-eminently by discharging the duties that each day brings forth—which is self-evident of course. The difficulty lies in deciding what is to-day's duty and what to-morrow's. For the idea prevalent nowadays that the student must not be an unpractical philosopher gazing on the stars while his feet stray absurdly in the walks of everyday life, has brought us to the verge of another danger, the danger of trying to perform in our four academic years duties that really belong to the future. It is hard indeed to hit the golden mean. Yet, for the student, the curriculum of study surely has some virtue as a guide-book.

On the other hand it is no one's duty to study beyond her physical strength. That is folly. A friend recently asked me if I took plenty of exercise. My answer "yes" came very doubtfully. "How do you exercise?" was her next question, to which I made the sad but truthful reply, "Walking around to find someone with whom to play tennis." As far as I have been able to observe, the majority of women (including the majority of University women) are excellent theorists with regard to the beneficial results of exercise, but in practice shirk it when other interests multiply. To forego physical exercise, especially in the form of out-of-door sports, may merit praise from the standpoint of self-sacrifice, but certainly incurs censure in the light of neglected duty. However, the question is too far-reaching to be discussed here, concerned as it is with the whole problem of evolution. Suffice it to say that the time is past when the physical culture of woman need be described as altogether negative and passive, limited to beholding and marvelling upon the prowess of man. In our own University the women students are, very shortly, to be in possession of a gymnasium in embryo. Let us show the sincerity of our zeal for the thoroughly equipped gymnasium of our dreams by using well that which we have.

The Y. W. C. A. will meet hereafter on Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock. On the afternoon of Oct. 24th Mr. Mott was able to be present for a short time, when he addressed the association. Miss Cole, 'or, also spoke on behalf of the missionary study class, and Miss Conlin, 'or, on behalf of the Bible study class. The students of the first year are reminded that the Y. W. C. A. exists for the women students individually of University College, and they are invited to identify themselves with this worldwide Christian organization.

F. M. W.

The first meeting of the Philosophical Society will be held in Room 3, on Friday, Nov. 2nd at 4 p.m. Essays will be read by Mr. A. H. Abbott, B.A., and Alex. I. Fisher, '01. The subject of the latter's essay will be "Philosophical Students Here and Elsewhere."



than they were last year.

The two teams were quite evenly matched in size, and both seemed eager for the fight. The following was the line-up: Victoria—Goal, Pearson; backs, Bridgeland, Farrel; halves, Rumble, Sissons, Ruddell; forwards, B. Hamilton, Cook, Wight, F. Hamilton, Spear. S.P.S.—Goal, Small; backs, Miller, Depew; halfbacks, Gordon, Barrett, McKay: forwards, Jackson, Gibson, Brereton, Broughton, Young.

taken as an omen, her chances

for winning are even better

In the first half there was no brilliant playing and no scoring. Both forward lines seemed to play a good combination, but the work of the defence prevented any goals being made. During this half two of the Science men were quite badly hurt. McKay, whose ankle was badly sprained, was forced to leave the field, while Broughton, who twisted his knee, played to the end. Patten, of the first year, supplied for McKay.

In the second half from the start it could plainly be seen that the School was now determined to win. From the first kick-off till the whistle was finally blown the S.P.S. forwards continuously raided the Victoria goal. The whole forward line played a faultless combination, which so bewildered the Victoria defence that they scarcely knew which way they were kicking. At about five minutes after half time, Gibson scored the first goal by truly aiming a swift shot. In a few minutes "Doc' Jackson, by a characteristic header, made the score 2 to o. And Brereton, not satisfied with the score already made, soon managed to get his head in too, making the score 3 to o in favor of the S.P.S. Throughout the whole game the School's halfbacks were ever in their places, not only breaking up Victoria's combination, but keeping the forwards well fed. Miller and Depew at back, played an errorless game, seldom allowing the ball to pass behind the goal-line. Small proved himself to be the right man in the right place.

From the touch-line.:

The referee was impartial.

What's the matter with Earl's shooting?

Is that your throw, Doc?

Did you see Freddie smoking the cig. in the second half.

C. H. C. Wright was there with his good cheer. The next match is with Toronto Meds on Nov. 1st.

Turn out boys and yell for the School.

School cups.

E. H. Cooper, 'oo, the editor of *Torontonensis* last year, has settled down in Montreal, where he has found a field in which to exercise his journalistic talents.

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TORONTO, October 30th, 1900.

THE GOWN QUESTION.

The wearing of gowns is now a live question in Varsity corridors. A vigorous attempt to revive the custom has been made, with apparent success. At any rate the success or failure of the present attempt will probably decide once and for all the fate of the custom here. The movement therefore is important, and calls for careful decision and strict adherence to it when formed.

So far as we can learn the main advantage claimed for the gown is sentiment, sentiment based on custom and tradition. Since time immemorial the gown has been looked upon as the distinctive academic garb of University students. Naturally such a custom has found strongest root in a conservative nation such as England, where to day it is universal, and is dearer to the British heart than ever before. The gown worn at Varsity is modelled after that in vogue at Cambridge that

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which Geoffrey Chaucer himself attended. At Varsity, of course, up to the present moment, the gown had ceased for a time to be a regular feature of the student dress as at Cambridge. The question then which we must consider is, shall we reject English custom and sentiment and sever altogether a bond which connects us with the English College system, thus tending to reduce college life to a purely utilitarian level; or shall we rather retain these things and strengthen such connection as far as possible? In short shall we follow the English system or the German? The answer to this question rests entirely with the student body, as the authorities have left it to them to decide.

Our own opinion is that we should follow England rather than Germany; but sentiment arising merely from tradition and custom will not alone insure the permanence of the gowns at Varsity. They must exercise some real and useful function as well, and this they are supposed to do. The fact that many American colleges, where gowns were never worn before, are now adopting the practice, would tend to prove that they must have some practical value.

The purpose of the gown is something the same as that of the soldier's uniform, in that it marks off a certain distinct class of society. The soldier does not necessarily consider himself superior to other people because he wears a uniform, but he does feel a keener sense of dignity and duty as a member of the army than he would if he wore no uniform. We as students are proud of our position as such and should be proud also to don an article of dress which has for centuries been the distinctive mark of University students and men of learning the world over.

The question arises, however, how far will the gown serve this purpose at Varsity? At Oxford and Cambridge gowns are worn throughout the towns in which the colleges are situated, so that a student is known at once wherever he is. But in Toronto while students in gowns were at one time seen on King and Yonge streets, we are somewhat skeptical as to the likelihood of such an occurrence in these days. The difficulty, however, might perhaps be overcome by a compromise. A college cap of regulation shape might be adopted by the students of the University of Toronto, each college having its peculiar crest. The crests would answer the same purpose as the marks on gowns used in Oxford and Cambridge to distinguish the several colleges. Such a scheme if considered advisable would require organization to carry it out. In the vicinity of University College, however, the gown itself would answer the purpose intended, and should be worn on all occasions possible.

For the cuts used in Mr. Coleman's article we are indebted to the Canadian Magazine.

Y.M.C.A. NOTES.

Don't forget the mission study class every Saturday at 7.30. Mr. Chapman will conduct the study of John R. Mott's book.

The hour of next Thursday's meeting is 5 o'clock. Paste this in your hat.

After J. Campbell White's plain statement of the needs of India's students, it ought not to be hard to enlist the sympathies of every man in the College.

Look on the bulletin board to see when your morning prayer meeting meets.

The General Secretary's office hour is 5 to 6 and see him.

DINING-HALL NOTES.

The patrons of the Dining Hall will soon be asked to elect a representative on the House Committee.

A room in the Steward's House is being fitted up for the ladies, for lunch only.

Another table is being added in the men's room.

The Juniors will hold a class dinner in the Dining Hall, after the play, Hallow'een.

Racks with holes, numbered for the holding of napkins, are to be placed in the Dining Hall for the purpose of keeping napkins separate.

A dinner was given in the Dining Hall Saturday evening in honor of the Queens' Rugby team, and a most enjoyable time spent.

Professor Mayor has loaned the House Committee a number of photographs and engravings from his collection, which are now hanging in the conversation rooms.

VARSITY is now to be found at home in the sanctum. Call and inspect the new quarters.

TIPPING.

Editor Varsity,

SIR.—It has been brought to the attention of the House Committee that the undesirable practice of tipping has been introduced into the Dining Hall. In an institution of this kind it is evident that such a custom will, if persisted in, prove a great detriment to the general efficiency of its servants and the well-being of the Dining-

Hall project itself.

The services of the attendants are paid for and extra remuneration is not necessary. Should anyone feel that the service is lacking in any respect he has only to bring the matter to the attention of the Secretary to have it rectified. It is earnestly requested that any who, perhaps unthinkingly have erred in this respect will discontinue the practice. I may add, further, that an opportunity will no doubt be given to all patrons of the Dining Hall to contribute towards a Xmas box for the benefit of the attendants.

J. C. McLennan.

University of Toronto, Oct. 26th, 1900.

SPORTS.

Editor, Frank McFarland, '02.

FOOTBALL.

Saturday's struggle between Varsity and Queens is conceded to have been the best exhibition of football that has been seen in Toronto for a great many years. Not only were the teams so evenly matched that the result of the game was always in doubt, but the play on the whole was clean and gentlemanly, something too rarely seen nowadays. There was almost a total absence of rough tactics, and only three men were ruled off, an exceptionally small number if we consider how fast and furious was the play. It is a safe guess that if two O.R.F.U. teams as evenly matched should come together under a strict referee, at the end of ten minutes there would be about half a dozen men playing altogether. Saturday's game practically secured the permanence of the Intercollegiate Union. As long as college teams can play such football as was witnessed then the people of Toronto and the other college cities are going to shell out their hard-earned shekels to see it. There were 2,000 people at the game on Saturday, and every one of the 2,000 went away feeling that he had gotten his money's worth.

The teams lined up as follows: Varsity—Back, Beal; halves, Brown, Baldwin, Aylesworth; quarter, Fleck; scrimmage, Rutter, Douglas, Boyd; wings, Hunt, McLennhan, Meredith, McKittrick, Paterson, McCollum, Harrison. Queens—Back, Simpson; halves, Walker, Weatherhead, Clark; quarter, Richardson; scrimmage, Paul, Sheriff, Carr-Harris; wings, Hill, Devitt, Britton, Young, Etherington, McDonald, Williams. Referee, A. G. Mason (McGill); Umpire, N. McLeod (McGill).

FIRST HALF.

From the kick-off Varsity steadily worked the ball up rest for indulging their pugilistic tendencies. Queens was to the Queens 25-yard line, where they were awarded a zi v en a free kick which Baldwin returned into touch.

free kick. The kick was muffed and the ball was dead a few yards from the Queens goal-line. Varsity commenced to shove up in successive scrimmages until it looked as if they would score. Then the ball rolled sideways out of scrimmage, and the Queens wings were after it immediately. Beal made a plucky attempt to fall on it, but missed, and it was dribbled back to half way. Then Weatherhead kicked over the Varsity 25-yard line, but it was called back for off-side. The ball was almost immediately sent back into touch in Varsity territory. The latter got the ball on the throw-in and Baldwin kicked for a gain of twenty-five yards, but it was taken back and scrimmaged. Queens was awarded a free kick which, owing to a mistake in judgment on the part of Brown, was not returned, and the Queens wings following up scored a try. Weatherhead failed to convert. Score, Queens 4, Varsity o.

The kick-off was returned, and Harrison missed the catch. An interchange of kicks followed, and finally the ball settled down inside the Queens 25-yard line. Here it remained for a few minutes, until finally Paterson went over for a try which Baldwin converted. Score, Varsity

6, Queens 4.

An exchange of kicks took place, both lines of halves punting into touch for gains. At one time the play was brought inside the Queens 25 yard line, but a combination play by the halves soon carried it back to half way. Then Weatherhead punted well down into Varsity territory, and Beal made a phenomenal return. The Varsity halves punted for large gains, and the play was transferred almost to the Queens goal line. Then occurred probably the most brilliant and sensational play that has ever been seen on the Varsity field. Weatherhead secured the ball from the scrimmage, and started for the Varsity goal. The whole back division endeavored to tackle him, but unsuccessfully, and he did not stay his steps until he fell on the ball behind the Varsity goal-line. He failed to convert the try, and the score stood:—Queens 8, Varsity 6.

Their triumph was short lived. From the kick-off the play shifted to the Queens 25 yard line. [Here Varsity was awarded a free kick, and Baldwin after putting the ball into play dropped a beautiful goal. Score, Varsity II, Queens 8.

For the next five minutes the ball was in Varsity territory, but not dangerously near the goal-line. Several kicks followed. At last the Queens wings followed up a kick of Weatherhead's behind the Varsity line and Beal rouged. This ended the first half. Score, Varsity 11, Queens 9.

SECOND HALF. .

The Queens' kick-off was a side tip to one of the wings, but the man ran into touch. Varsity dribbled down the field, but it was returned to halfway. Then Baldwin kicked into touch inside Queens' 25-yard line where Varsity was awarded a free kick. Brown punted over the line, but Weatherhead ran out with the ball. He was tackled, and Varsity gained possession. Douglas was ruled off for scrapping. The ball remained between half way and the Queens' 25-yard line for some time. It was kicked to the goal-line, and Weatherhead got away with it again. He was tackled and dropped the ball. He was seriously injured in this tackle, but refused to retire from the game. He went to full-back, and Simpson changed A series of scrimmages about half way followed. and then Weatherhead had to stop, Aylesworth going off to even up. A nice piece of combination play by the Queens halves brought the ball back to the Varsity 25yard line, where McKittrick and his check were given a rest for indulging their pugilistic tendencies. Queens was Varsity worked the ball down steadily by mass plays. Boyd was laid out, and retired from the game, McDonald going off with him. Soon afterwards Fleck was injured so badly that he had to quit, and Britton accompanied him to the bench, leaving each team with twelve men. Shortly afterwards Queens got the ball and sent it over the line, forcing Beal to rouge. Score, Varsity 11, Queens 10.

There were only four minutes left and Queens worked like Trojans to get another point. Finally Etherington punted into touch-in-goal, and the score was even. The remaining minute was occupied by the endeavors of the Varsity halves to get away with the ball, but it was useless. Time was called with the score standing 11 all.

On Saturday morning Varsity II. succeeded in defeating the strong Queen's II. team by a score of 4 to 1. The score, however, can hardly be said to give a correct representation of the game, because Queens were on the defensive for the greater part of the game. Several times Varsity had the ball right on the Queens goal line, but could not get it over. In fact the Queens team were the best losers that have been seen here for some time. They contested every inch of ground most stubbornly, and when they once gained possession of the ball it was very difficult to get it away from them. The bucking and passing of both quarters was excellent, although Pannel excelled in the former and Ballard in the latter. The Queens team averaged easily ten pounds more than Varsity, and their weight told in the line especially. Behind the line Varsity outshone their opponents, the Varsity halves doing some very effective running and kicking. For Queens Carruthers and Pannel distinguished themselves, while Hendry, Ballard, and Thorne played particularly well for Varsity. The latter's score was made on a try scored by Ballard in the first half, while Queens single point was scored in the last second. The return game will be played in Kingston on November 10th, and the team scoring the majority of points in the two games wins the Intermediate Intercollegiate championship. The teams were:

Varsity II:—Back, Little; halves, Hendry, Wright, Madden; quarter, Ballard; Burnham, Dickson, Harvey; wings, Bonnell, Snively, Martin, Bryce, Hoyles (capt.), Thorne, Wallace.

Queens II:—Back, Strachan; halves, Nimmo, Carruthers, Lett; quarter, Pannel; scrimmage, Grant, Malloch, Connel; wings, Kingston, McLennhan, Ellis, Mahood, Powell, Malone, Reid.

Referee. E. G. Mason (McGill). Umpire. W. J. Morrison.

PUNTS.

The Senior Intercollegiate standing now is:-

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It was a record-breaking crowd.

Queens excelled in individual play while Varsity was superior in team work.

If Queens defeats McGill in Montreal next Saturday "it's all off."

Weatherhead did not regain consciousness until Sunday morning.

Fleck is out of the game for the season.

ROTUNDA.

Superintending Editor, F. H. Wood, 'or.

Another wanderer has returned in the person of A. L. Chipman, '02, who spent the summer in Europe, chiefly in the south of England. Keswick, Dublin and Paris also enjoyed the benefit of a brief visit from him.

W. W. Hutton with difficulty severed the ties that bound him to Windsor and again adorns the ranks of '03.

"Just one man" enters the second year Psychology room by the Ladies' entrance. Ready for the sentence?

At the opening meeting of the classical club this afternoon in Room 2 Professor Hutton will address the members on the subject of the Greek play to be presented by the University students at the Grand this term.

There is a rumor among the Seniors that the Juniors are proposing to give them a banquet. If so, they would like the date fixed immediately, so that it can be kept clear of other engagements.

E. V. Neelands, 'oo S.P.S., arrived last night from Albany River, on the north-western boundary of Ontario. He contemplates taking a post-graduate course at the School.

Freshman (translating). "The cured dog, etc."
Prof. V. "Oh don't say that. It reminds one so much
of cured ham."

The Freshmen are determined to be in the swim. About forty of them have already decided to wear gowns.

The friends of Miss Jessie Fraser, '02, who has been unable to return to Varsity owing to the death of her mother early in the summer, will be glad to hear that she intends resuming her studies next term.

Dan Urquhart, 'or, has returned from Algoma, where he spent the summer. "Dan" congratulates himself on not being too late for the Muloch cup series, in which he has been interested ever since he first came to Varsity.

J. W. Gray, who hurt himself while throwing the hammer at the Varsity games, has developed a dangerous hemorrhage in the right lung, and was in a very serious condition on Sunday evening. Jimmie was out wheeling two or three times after his first hemorrhage, and this turn comes as a great shock to his many friends.

Reports circulating on Sunday as to the exceedingly serious nature of the injuries received in the football game Saturday afternoon by Boyd and Fleck were, fortunately, exaggerated. Boyd recovered consciousness about six o'clock on Saturday, and Fleck came to next day. Both were progressing favorably on Sunday. Fleck is at the home of Half-back Baldwin.

Those who were exercising in the gymnasium one afternoon last week were edified by the spectacle of a charwoman boxing a freshman's ears. It is not quite clear whether the offence was mocking or attempted flirting.

A. W. Morris, 02, is back again. He intends to confine

his attention to classics this year.

The psalm sung by the Presbyterians from Kingston to the tune of "Ontario Strand" sounded strangely familiar to those who attended the Varsity-McGill games. Did Vic. or Queens have it first?

"Lochie" Burwash, who was scrimmage in the famous champion team of '95, has just returned on a flying visit home from the Klondyke region, where he has spent the last three years. He says there are enough old football men there to make a good team, but the only available "campus" is the frozen river. He expects to leave again in a couple of weeks in order to get back by January.



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LIMITE

The winning smile and learned air of G. A. Cornish, 'oo, account for the mistake made in the dining hall one day last week when the waiter drew out a chair for him at the Faculty table. All the difference between a minister with portfolio and without.

"Sappho" O. to other Freshman, on Tuesday: "Say, have you any lectures this afternoon?" O. F.: "Yes, one in French." S. O.: "Are you going to take it?" O. F.: "Why, certainly." S. O.: "But say, the buildings will not be open. There is a notice up 'VARSITY out to-day.' Didn't you see it?"

William M., '03, was very anxious to know if he would be "jollied" if he took his cousin (?) to the grounds. Why, certainly not. If every man did so, think of the overflowing treasury the Athletic Association would have.

The familiar form of R. A. Cassidy, '01, again graces the library and the halls—more particularly the halls. His "carpet-bag," however, is missed as yet.

W. T. Comber, 'o, has been married lately in Bobcaygeon. On account of his honeymoon he will not return to Varsity until Christmas, when we may congratulate him personally.

The rusticity of an especially verdant Freshman, who hails from "the wilds of Muskoka" so impressed Charlie that the latter wrote his name on the list of letters "Barley." The indignant Freshman immediately sought an interview with the Janitor and gave him a few pointers in Charlie now uses a slightly modified orthography. method.

Fears are entertained that J. B. Clarke, '03, is either dead or married, as he has not yet put in an appearance.

Anybody would have thought last week that Ralph Delury had been through an election or a inter-college "scrap." It was all the result of a kick in the face received while playing Association on Wednesday. It is a pleasure to know that the cheek has subsided rapidly.

T. A. Hargrave, '03, is one of the late arrivals. He spent the summer on a ranch near his home in Medicine Hat, and is now preparing for a critical study of "parabolic curves" and "motion about a fixed axis" on the horizontal bar in the gymnasium.

Duncan McDougall, '99, is at present teaching classics in the High School at Forest. Last year Duncan was president of the Lit. at the Normal College at Hamilton.



THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

There are few national institutions of more value and interest to the country than the Royal Military College at Kingston. At the same time its object and the work it is accomplishing are not sufficiently understood by the general public.

The College is a Government institution, designed primarily for the purpose of giving the highest technical instructions in all branches of military science to cadets and officers of Canadian Militar. In fact it is intended to take the place in Canada of the English Woolwich and Sandhurst and the American West Point.

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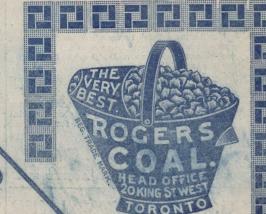
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