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## Initial Meeting of the Associate Alumni.



ON Saturday evening, Nov. 8th, the Associate Alumni will hold its first annual meeting as a corporation. Thirty-six directors will be elected at this meeting. They are to be divided into three classes, to hold office for one, two and three years respectively. At subsequent annual meetings twelve directors will be selected, to serve for three years.

The Nominating Committee has a list of names which it will present for election. However, independent nominations may be made from the floor. Notice of the meeting has been sent to all members and a large attendance is expected.

## Ground for Stadium to be Broken.

The breaking of ground for the new stadium will take place on Thursday, November 6th at 12 M. Mr. Lewisohn, donator of the new athletic building will be present at the occasion. President Finley is arranging to make the affair a grand success. Many notables are expected to attend the function.

This ceremony will be the beginning of the work, which will continue on until the stadium is completed. It is hoped that the field will be done and ready to receive the athletes by the beginning of the next collegiate year.

## Student Council Meeting.

At the second meeting of the Council held last Friday afternoon, Professor Downer's report was accepted with a unanimous vote of thanks. There is a balance of \$160.10, of which \$84.75 is held up by the Northern Bank. Crowley '14 was elected cheer-leader and Wright '15 was chosen assistant cheer-leader.

The Executive Committee was appointed to report to the Faculty Executive Committee on the deplorable conditions of the locker system. It was decided that the Lost and Found Bureau shall be open every day during lunch hour.

### Organ Recital Assignments.

The Student Council has completed the list of societies and organizations which will take charge of the ushering at the bi-weekly Organ Recitals. The new movement begins on Sunday, November 9, and each week a different group will carry on the work. The list of assignments is as follows:—Menorah, Clio, Phreno, Cercle Jusserand, Adelpian, Student Council delegates of June '17, delegates of February '17, etc., until all classes have done their share. In case there will be need for further assignments the Council will draw up a greater list.

A representative of each group will be expected to see Professor Baldwin on the Friday or Tuesday preceeding the date when they will serve, in order to complete arrangements. Attendance at the recitals this year is exceptionally large and a warm response on the part of the students chosen to usher is necessary for the success of these affairs.

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### Address of Dr. Wile.

In the Great Hall last Thursday, Dr. Ira S. Wile, Commissioner of Education, addressed a large gathering of students on "The Place of Sex Hygiene in Education." Dr. Wile is the greatest authority on the question and, he made a remarkable address, pointing out the unique difficulties met with in sex education, and proposing an easy, natural solution for the perplexing problem. He points out that this education should begin when the infant mind has developed to that extent when it can ask questions, and should end only when life ends.

Dr. Wile came in response to an invitation from the Education Club, and he is the first of a long list of prominent educators who have consented to address the members of the club. All students are welcomed at the meetings.

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The first meeting of the new Student Council of the night college will be held Saturday evening, Nov. 1st.

### Protest Meeting in the Great Hall.

Nearly five hundred men assembled in the Great Hall last Thursday to formally protest against the action of the Russian Government in the charge of ritual murder which it has brought against Mendel Beiliss. Professor Werner presided. Stirring addresses were delivered by Professors Brownson, Downer, Duggan and Overstreet. They all condemned vehemently the mediaeval action of Russia and said that it was our duty to actively remonstrate against the trial.

Honor '14 read the resolution which follows and which was unanimously adopted.

"We, the Students of The College of the City of New York, have called this meeting to voice our indignation at the persistence in Russia of the cruel superstition which ascribes to the Jews the crime of ritual murder. As students we conceive it our duty to combat social prejudice and to refute obsolete interpretations of religion which pervert devotion to God into persecution of men.

To our fellowmen across the water we send a message of sympathy, pledging ourselves to help them in their struggle against ignorance and hatred, and praying that the innocence of Mendel Beiliss, who stands accused of the crime of ritual murder, may speedily be established."

Copies of this letter will be sent to the proper authorities in Washington, who will transmit it to the Russian Government.

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### Prize Speaking Night.

The prize-speaking trials held last Thursday were very successful and resulted in the selection of evenly matched contestants. The date for the contest, which will be held in the Great Hall, has been set for November 7th, and it is expected that the affair at which Professor Werner will preside, will be one of the finest ever held. The speakers and the subjects of their orations are :

Feldman, '16, "Love"; Klein, '15, "A Plea for Efficiency"; Levine, "War—What For"? Perlman, '14, "Truth on Gathering" Rosenzweig, '14, "The Philosophy of Religion"; Schiffman, '14, "The Two Dragons."

# ATHLETICS.

Letter From Dr. Storey.

To the Editor of the Campus,

College of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:—

The thing our athletics here need most is athletes, and the thing our athletes need most is training. We can never have good athletes until our men learn the value of training. We could get along very successfully without ready-made point winners and record breakers if our squads in the various sports were composed of men who are willing to learn long and hard for their various events. One gets out of athletic training what he puts into it, no more and no less. Any average man can make a team or win a point if he will begin regular work in his Freshman year with that end in view and keep at it systematically clear up to his senior year. Too many young men think they can join a squad on Thursday and win an event on the following Saturday.

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After all, my interest in point winners and record breakers is secondary to my interest in "getting everybody into the game." I would rather see a thousand City College men engaged regularly in some form of active sport than to turn out each year an ordinary sized team made up of world beaters. There is more money and more notoriety in world beaters but there is more good health, more character and more precious social intercourse in mass athletics. With a general active interest we could not escape having good teams with possibly a few world beaters. But there are inevitable by-products of minor importance.

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Is it that the men entering C. C. N. Y. from other sources than T. H. H. were as unknown, as inactive and as spiritless in their respective schools as they seem here? If such is not the case then the cause of this laziness and indifference that has stunted the co-ordinate action of brain and body lies within our own doors. Is the cause indifference, present or past environment or lack of example to follow? If our Freshmen are to follow that example set by the upper classmen, woeful will be the results. Traditions of the past are obsolete. Traditions to be followed in the future must be formed this term. You men from high-schools should not let it be said that we can get along without you. That is impossible. Each of the high schools should strive for the supremacy in all our activities.

You high school men ought to bring out the spirit and action that your own school would have cited as an example to be followed. You of the class of 1917 are no longer high-school boys but college men representing the largest class C. C. N. Y. has ever had. Make your class not only big in numbers, but the greatest in all respects.

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already equal our own record, and the season doesn't begin until December. In the dive we have Berman, Straley and O'Connell. Nick is also going to make a bid for the sprints. Jones, Wolfner and Schwartz, the P. S. A. L. champion in the plunge, make the swimming outlook very bright. Students who wish to develop in this branch of sport should come out and join the squad.

Schafer, Track Capt. and Frey, Capt. of Cross-country team, have the proper spirit, and are two such men as any college should be proud to have as leaders. It is up to the student body as a whole to do all in their power for these two Captains.

(Signed) MAC.

#### Athletes Form 'Varsity Club.

Messrs. Holton and Mackenzie, who have always had at heart the betterment of athletics in the College, have shown the heartiest approval of the formation of the 'Varsity Club. The purpose of the new club is to foster social intercourse between the coaches, managers, and members of all the teams. It is the hope of those who have founded this club that it may serve as a medium for the solution of the athletic difficulties and problems which are constantly confronting us. Here the actual participants, those who have at least tried to do their duty toward the college, may get better acquainted with each other and will seek out others who will perpetuate the work.

#### Seniors 12--Juniors 2.

The upper classmen got together last week in the inter-class baseball series. The Seniors ran away from the Juniors who were unable to deep pace with them. Both teams got two runs in the first inning but it was too much for 1915. They couldn't get any more runs themselves nor could they stop the Seniors who got seven in the third inning and one in the sixth.

To date the Seniors have won two and lost none, the Juniors have lost two and won none, the Freshman have won one and lost one and the Sophomores have been unable to play a full game. They were playing the Freshmen on Friday and were beating them too, but it grew dark before they could finish and the rain put out the torch which lit up the home plate. The game will have to be played over some night when there is more moon light.



### 1916 Invincible.

About 500 of the students and faculty witnessed the most exciting and interesting tug-of-war that two rival teams ever contested for, on Thursday afternoon of last week. The Freshmen did their utmost to regain the honor they had lost in the Track Meet the week before, but the Sophs were there with all their might and got away with five of the seven tugs. The excitement was at its height in the first fifteen man tug, when the Sophs were slowly but surely dragging the Freshmen their way. The 17 men were able to regain a few inches and then there was a see-saw for awhile which ended in a spurt of strength on the Sophomores' side and the tug was over.

The Freshmen are to be complimented on the ease with which they won the first twenty-five man tug, They also took the second fifteen-man event. The Sophomores got away with both threes, the first fifteen, the ten and the second twenty-five. A piece of the rope now appropriately adorns the 1916 alcove. But the Flag Rush is coming Friday with a fine chance for the Freshmen to come back. The spirit displayed at the Tug of War was better than usual, and the indications are that the Flag Rush will be a successful event.

### 1917 Basket-Ball.

Manager Rauch has almost completed the Freshman Basket-ball schedule which includes all the prominent High Schools of the City. All he needs now is the men to play on the team. But a little thing like that doesn't seem to bother the Freshmen very much. Don't let the other fellow do it; go out yourself and work for your class. Freshman basket-ball teams have been very successful before and this year's team must keep up the status set in past years.

Let us not overlook the fact that "Venus" Southwick was picked for the second All Star Basaktball Team and for the first Eastern All Stars. As usual, "Venus" is consistently displaying his wonderful form, which makes him almost incomparable.

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## A Plea for Athletics.



XCELLING in most kinds of collegiate pursuit, C. C. N. Y. has been slow in developing consistent and winning athletic teams. Past pleas for better spirit on the part of students, faculty and alumni in their support of athletics have been received very complacently, but beyond acknowledging that perhaps they are wrong and making promises, nothing has ever been done.

The situation has reached such straits that the necessity of co-operation on the part of all cannot be pictured too strongly, to draw the attention of those who can help. Until now whatever success has been ours along athletic lines has been achieved by a few faithful men. They have had to struggle to have C. C. N. Y. make at least a fair showing. They have received very little aid from without. And if their efforts chanced to fail, not because of their own lack of application, but because of a lack of support from a sufficiently representative number of men, their attempts have been condemned.

The facilities we have are as good as anywhere. We cannot excuse ourselves on that account. A well-equipped gymnasium, one of the best stadiums in the

world to be ours soon, and a capable director and set of coaches assures that phase of the work.

The grave fault lies in the shameful lack of spirit we display. It is true that even though we have the individual stars to make good teams, they cannot be successful unless they receive the physical aid of those who perhaps are not good enough to make the 'Varsity and the moral and financial support of all. As many men as possible should respond when a call for candidates is made, and even though all can't make the teams, they should stick it out and help in practise. And every student, instructor and alumnus should get an A. A. ticket and attend games and meets. When a total of A. A. members is taken the result is miserable.

It is known that there are athletes of considerable prowess in college who refuse to come forth. If they attended any other institution they would long ago have been persuaded by their fellow students to go out for the teams. But in our passive way we sit back and take no interest. And when a team doesn't suit us, we complain. Every man can contribute something and it is his duty to give as much of himself as he can to the cause of good, clean athletics.

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### X 13's.

There are twenty-five of them and for organization they cannot be excelled. In the first place every member is some official or other and there are at least twenty-five committees which cover every phase of their activities. For the benefit of the unsophisticated we exude the information that the X 13's are members of the June '13 Class whose affinity for the college has been so great as to successfully persuade them to spend an additional term in close communion with Alma Mater.

Last Wednesday afternoon under a common impulse the X 13's met at one o'clock, locked arm in arm and walked to the Alhambra Theatre. Here they joyfully witnessed a star variety show, after which the earnest worshippers of higher education dispersed with sundry demonstrations of eternal friendship.

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Owing to the extent of the business under discussion, the time limit for the Arbitration Committee, of which President Finley is a member, had to be extended.

## Basketball "Dope."

Coach Palmer seems to have his hands full in selecting his Varsity "five" this season. On the outset, things looked pretty dark, for only Schaeffer and Southwick remained from last season's winning combination. Then "Darkey" Shulberg returned to our fold, and matters cleared up to a certain degree. But upon sizing up the candidates who are at present battling for positions, one cannot but feel optimistic to the highest degree.

There is a pretty scrap going on for the center position, since Schaeffer, Feldman, Hanley and Drake are all putting up the fight of their lives. The open guard position shows the keenest competition. Here the rivalry revolves around "Doc" Cohen, Feldman, Drake, Weinfeld and Levine. A battle royal is also on for Southwick's running mate. Fighting it out between them are Manne, Ricca and "Kitty" Bramson. By reviewing the names of the above mentioned men and by considering their merits, one can readily see how hard a proposition it is for Coach Palmer to reach a final decision. But one thing is certain: that this year's varsity will equal, if not rise above the standard set by former C. C. N. Y. teams.

## Basketball Schedule.

The long awaited basketball schedule has at last appeared, and the management offers the following to the student body.

December	13—St. Lawrence.
"	20—Princeton.
January	3—N. Y. U.
"	8—Swarthmore.
"	17—Seton Hall.
February	7—C. C. N. Y. Alumni.
"	14—Rensselaer P. T. I.
"	21—Washington and Lee.

The basketball department is now trying to book games for December 6th, February 7th and 28th. Manager Thomas regrets to announce that he cannot schedule games with Yale or Rochester, as the former is readmitted to the I. C. B. B. A. and as the latter does not

make a trip to New York this season. There still remains the possibility of a game with Yale and Rochester which will most likely be played on their own court. Therefore we may yet have the pleasure of defeating these old-time rivals.

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### Gossip From Societies and Clubs.

Mr. McLoughlin of the Physics Department has arranged a trip down the Cooper Square shaft of the Catskill Acqueduct for the members of the Engineering Society. There will be three divisions of eight each and the descents will be made on October 27th, October 31st, and November 3rd. To join the groups see Rosen '14.

Those desiring to join the Thursday group of LeCercle Jusserand should meet in Dr. Weill's room to-morrow at 12 M.

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"Les Etudiants de Francais," a club composed of C. C. N. Y. men will give a dance at the Leslie Rooms, Broadway and 83rd Street, on December 30th. Tickets may be had from D. Delman '16 and M. Sindeband '15.

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The Glee Club has had a good start and is doing some excellent work. Divided into two sections, it meets for rehearsal every week. Through the efforts of this organization vocal music will assume greater prominence in college than hitherto.

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### A Sketch Club in Formation.

Realizing the need of developing the artistic talent in college a movement is on foot to form a Sketch Club. The object will be to afford members practise in drawing from models and to improve their technique. Those interested should communicate with either Katz '15 or Tabor '16.

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A talk on Jewish music with vocal illustrations will be given at to-night's meeting of the Menorah Society. Professor Baldwin will attend.

### Erasmus Club.

At the last meeting of the Erasmus Club the annual election of officers was held and resulted as follow:— President, Holmes; Vice-President, Schmidt; Secretary and Treasurer, McGee. The Club now has about twenty members who, while banding together largely as a social organization, have for their very creditable purpose the attracting to the college of men from their own high school.

### Classical Society.

The first meeting of the Classical Society will take place on Friday, October 31st, at 1:15 P.M. in Room 216. Prof. Allan P. Ball of the Latin Department will address the members of the Society, and the President, Harold L. Costello '14, will tell of the work to be done by the new organization. All who are interested will receive a cordial welcome.

The Research Club will hold its meeting to-morrow. Professor Winslow will read a paper on "Problems in Ventilation" and the members will make an inspection of the ventilation plant which has been constructed by the Natural History Department. A dinner will be held before the meeting.

If any member of the teaching staff wishes to be present at this or subsequent meetings, he is requested to communicate with Dr. Goldfarb, the secretary, in Room 320.

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