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FOOTBALL TICKETS.

Those who are interested in securing seats at the Princeton game and who have sent in their applications, the time for receiving which closed on Wednesday, November 15, at noon, should read the statement about tickets printed elsewhere. It may save some unnecessary feeling or some unnecessary correspondence in the future.

RIGHT KIND OF PLAYERS.

Before this paper reaches many of its readers, the Football contest of the 18th will have been won and lost. We have already said what we have thought of the ability and energy and enthusiasm of the Yale leadership and management this year. They have gone up hill on straight, strong lines, to the benefit of all athletics, and to the benefit of future years as well as this year, and to the great strengthening of the Yale spirit throughout the University and throughout the body of graduates.

One point we wish now to emphasize. What particularly wins the admiration of those at New Haven—resident alumni and members of the Faculty—is the tone of the whole season and the standard of character which has been aimed at in the players. It is this fact, perhaps, more than any other, that has gathered the friends of Yale to the support of this Eleven, to a degree which very few Yale organizations have ever secured. At this writing,—and we are confident that there will be occasion to retract not one word of this statement—we can say that not a player will go into the game on Saturday, or into the game of the following Saturday, who is not the right kind of a man according to a high standard of college athletics; that there will be no men in that team who are at Yale for athletics only; that they will be men who are not only highly thought of by their fellows, but highly thought of by their instructors. Without exception, to our best knowledge and belief, they are men who are regular and faithful in class-room work, while not a few of them are scholars of exceptional ability. Two men who were prevented from playing early in the season by Faculty restrictions, Messrs. Hubbell and Cook, and who may yet go upon the Eleven, have earned their way back to it by good attendance and good work. Their stand is safe, and their standing with both instructors and

students above reproach. They have brought themselves above the application of the special rules, framed to keep out of athletics the wrong kind of men.

We are proud of the kind of men Yale will send into the big games of this year.

THE ATHLETIC AGREEMENT.

The athletic financial agreement entered into last Friday and by the University at the mass meeting this week, will be appreciated on the reading of it in another column, by those who are familiar with athletic affairs here. It is hoped that its meaning and value will be clear to all who are interested in the rational conduct of Yale athletics.

It will strike the reader in the first place that the undergraduate managers of the present year are men who have the interests of the entire University very much at heart. It seems to us safe to say that no better evidence of disinterested loyalty has been given within the present athletic era than this voluntary change of control of the finances of athletics. As the article elsewhere states, there have been no more enthusiastic advocates of the plan than the present undergraduate managers. Strongly supporting them, have been many managers of recent years who have had the same feeling, but who have not been able to put it into execution. Without this support of the managers, it would have been impossible to execute the scheme. The feeling that the affairs of the democratic community of Yale should be in charge of that democracy's chosen representatives, is just as strong as it ever was. The new plan is only a modification of the system by which that spirit has been applied in the past,—a modification called for by the changed condition of the enlarged University.

The problem was to apply graduate coöperation to the undergraduate management, where it could be of most value, and this, in our opinion, has been carried out admirably. When in this spirit, the Football Association, through its President, deliberately turns over the independent handling of a revenue of \$30,000 or \$40,000, and joins in the plan with equal enthusiasm with the Boat Club, whose balance is always a great deficit, one feels that the Yale spirit is in pretty good condition.

It is not because of great abuses of management that this step has been taken. It is only to make what is good, better. There have been things done in the past which have not been reasonable, but on the whole, the athletic associations have been in admirable hands and the management has steadily improved. They have now seen an opportunity to take a further long step in advance and they have taken it; and to them is the credit. We venture to say that future athletic managers will thank them for the relief which they have thus given, and for the opportunity which is open for the more successful discharge of the responsibility in matters where they can operate best. We may be pardoned for referring to this year as one of the best evidences that this will be the result. The present football management comes very near, at least, to being above criticism in every way. Whatever previous management has equalled it in energy, in far-sightedness, in good sense, has made an admirable record. Yet we venture to say that to no management would this plan have been more acceptable at the opening of the season than to the present one. It would have made that management even more effective in the discharge of the duties of the season. A close observation for a few years has convinced us that the amount of work

a good manager can do in the way of helping the College to have a thoroughly successful season in football, is only limited by the amount of time he has to give to it. And entirely outside of finances,—in arranging for the return of coaches, in bringing out the best material, in keeping the whole big system going with all the rush and excitement of two hard months, he has his hands full.

In creating this office of graduate treasurer, Yale has followed in her conservative way, the precedents already established in other colleges. Of course, we think here that the way we have worked it out of our own experience is better than the way pursued elsewhere, but the principle is the same. Yale has come to the application of that principle later than Harvard and Princeton, simply because Yale is as she should be, very tenacious of the undergraduate idea, and unwilling to move forward towards graduate management or University supervision, until she can find a place where such ideas do not conflict with the essentials of the undergraduate idea. We believe she has found that place and we are glad the University meeting enthusiastically ratified the act of her leaders.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Questions and Answers For Bar Examinations and Review, by Charles S. Haight, M.A., LL.B., of the New York Bar, and Arthur M. Marsh, B.A., LL.B., of the Connecticut Bar: Svo, N. Y. Baker Voorhis & Co., 1899.

The average quiz-book is a poor affair enough, reminding one of the average college digest; for the office of each is apparently to get an unfaithful student through an examination.

But the authors of this book have conceived a very different office for a quiz-book, to wit: to serve as a guide to the student who wishes to review the work he has done in the Law School. The book would be of little use to those who had not covered the ground before; indeed previous study is presupposed.

In each subject treated in the book many questions are propounded and answers given. The student is referred for each and every question to a decision of a court of respectability, where the point in question is discussed and decided. References to standard textbooks are also given, but the cases are much more relied on for the student's review. The book purports to be a series of quizzes on the course of the Harvard Law School, and parallel citations to the case-books used in that school are given where possible.

The fact that the book quizzes after the case method would make it no less valuable to one who had not been instructed by that method. The subject of Evidence must be excepted from this statement. The quiz on Evidence is a very excellent review of Prof. Thayer's Cases, but references to such a book as Stephen's Digest should have been given wherever possible, for the rules of Evidence are to a great degree a mere matter of memory, and reference to such a book as that of Stephen is therefore very valuable.

The book is particularly successful in its treatment of Torts, Agency, Bills and Notes, Partnership, Contracts, Damages and Pleading at Common Law. Each one of these subjects is systematically subdivided and successfully treated. Frequently explanations are given at a length which could scarcely be expected of a book of this kind. The quiz on Pleading at Common Law is to be specially recommended for its compactness and systematic arrangement. The quiz on Pleading and Practice under the New York Code is another valuable chapter in the book.

The chapters on Real Property, Constitutional Law and Trusts seem to us inadequate. For instance, Interstate Commerce is slighted in the chapter on Constitutional Law. Under Real Property the authors treat Wills and Mortgages. The last subject is slighted very much. A quiz on Wills without so much as mentioning the rule against perpetuities is quite incomplete. Besides

this omission, the rules for construction of a will are not touched upon.

The quizzes on Corporations, Criminal Law and Equity are to be commended. So also are those on Personal Property, Quasi-Contracts and Insurance.

In spite of these very few defects we have noted, the authors have certainly realized their hope "that a book which aids in an honest and thorough review of legal principles previously acquired occupies a legitimate field."

President Hadley on Athletics.

[Harvard Bulletin.]

We have chosen to print at length this week, the remarks of President Hadley of Yale on athletics, as contained in his inaugural address. We have done so because we believe the sentiments he has expressed are sound and wholesome. If we seem, in selecting that one portion of the address for republication, to be giving an undue prominence to the subject, we would say in excuse, that we have done so because we believe that the fostering and culture of the true spirit of sportsmanship in our athletics is something which every graduate, every undergraduate can have a part in. A strong appreciation of what is the right thing is all we need to give us what is right.

Harvard's Good Wishes.

[Harvard Crimson.]

Yale is to be considered fortunate in her choice of an executive officer who, indeed, steps into his new position, young, vigorous and fore-handed, with clear vision and the realization of arduous toil confronting him. To-day Yale is in the presence of a new power; she begins a new era, fruitful of high hopes and aspirations, holding to view the possibilities of great accomplishments. It is the wish of every college-bred man in the land that it may be an age of well-earned prosperity.

Courant Contents.

The list of contents of the next number of the *Yale Courant*, which appears Saturday, November 18, is as follows:

"The Misdeeds of Neighbor Alice," Ray Morris, 1901; "A Fickle Mistress," E. Lyttleton Fox, 1902; "Epemetheus," W. B. Hooker, 1902; "A Letter from the South," H. A. Gilbert, 1901 S.; "The Hunters," E. C. Root, 1900.

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