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There is at least one man in college who has branded himself as a coward. As every one knows, there is posted every day a notice with the names of certain Freshmen who are to report for work. Recently after the name of one of these men was placed a disrespectful comment. The man who would do such a thing is in the first place not a gentleman, and in the second place a coward; for no gentleman and no man of spirit will offer an insult anonymously upon a public bulletin board, but face to face if at all. Another incident of a similar nature occurred in connection with the posting of the students who have not as yet paid their subscriptions. The bulletin board should be untouched except for legitimate purposes. Student self-respect demands the vigorous suppression of such marks of ill-breeding.

The most encouraging indication that we are now in a better and more vital institution than the St. Lawrence of the immediate past was found in the sane, intelligent expression of opinion in the last meeting of the Thelomathesian Society. Men who have been here on the Hill for four years were astonished at this phenomenon. Two women of the college also took part discussing the relation of the large proportion of the student body which they represented to the new and old governing bodies. And why should not this be so; why is it that in the past such things have been unfamiliar? These questions naturally arise; but let us rather concentrate our attention upon the present and future. Let it be the duty of every one to see that St. Lawrence does not go to sleep. We have started many new movements this year, but we need not fear for their success if a steady hand is kept on the throttle and a clear eye on the line, and the engine is kept forging along the right track.

In the last Laurentian a system of try-outs for positions as assistant managers of the various teams is proposed. We heartily endorse this pro-

posal, and in doing so feel that we are representing the opinion of a large portion of the student body. When men are chosen as at present, those making the selection can have no clear idea of the ability of the men in the work which they are to take up. A man may be appointed to take charge of a sport in regard to which he has little or no interest and no knowledge. The argument is advanced that men would not come out for the positions, but this is mere supposition. Colleges such as Hamilton, with a student body not very much larger than our own, have no difficulty in this regard. The proposal carries especial weight at this time, for in the plan introduced by the legislative committee the managers would be on the proposed body. The students would be much more willing to accept this provision if they felt sure that this new system was going into effect. Here is another advance which ought to be made, but with open eyes.

When the question of establishing a student legislative body first came up, we expressed the hope that the students would carefully consider the matter and vote as intelligent citizens of a college community. After the lucid presentations of all sides of the question in Thelomathesian, this without doubt will be the case. One of the speakers at the meeting in which the discussion took place stated that he expected that the report of the committee would be railroaded through; but we think he is mistaken. No one should feel, however, that the deciding of this question one way or the other is going to mean disaster,—far from it. There is never one and only one system of government; all forms of government are, moreover, subject to amendment from time to time. The plan the committee presented was an expression of its opinion as to the very best legislative body St. Lawrence could have. If you think it is not the best, register your disapproval, and something else may be brought forth for consideration. But whatever view prevails, when a plan has been adopted give it your support. It is our firm belief that present conditions demand some change, and that the time to make the change is not five years from the present but now.

### COLLEGE MEN AT OLYMPICS

While former teams from the United States have contained men from the colleges, their point winning has been of a negligible nature. A glance at the number of points gained by such contestants at the London Olympics was exactly 6, but that the men from the educational institutions who will be included in the team this year will more than hold their own with the pick of the athletic club representatives is the idea of close observers.

It is the consensus of opinion that such men as John Paul Jones and Tel Berna of Cornell, Charlie Reidpath, Syracuse; Ira Davenport, Chicago; George Horine, Stanford; S. B. Wagoner, Yale; J. Nicholson, Missouri; A. L. Guttererson, Vermont; H. S. Babcock and R. L. Beatty, Columbia, and many other men connected with universities of the country will earn the right to wear the shield during the next invasion.

### ANOTHER PLAN FOR LEGISLATIVE BODY

To the Editor of The Hill News.

In view of the general controversy which the matter of the proposed legislative body has produced, I would suggest the following plan as a compromise. The scheme outlined below, I think, satisfies many of the objections brought up at the recent Thelomathesian meeting.

First, student activities at St. Lawrence are to be under the control of a representative body known either as the Campus Council or as the St. Lawrence Senate. This body shall consist of the following members: ten Seniors, three Juniors, two Sophomores, and two Freshmen. The Seniors shall represent the various factions in college, and shall be selected by these factions. There shall be one representative from each of the fraternities and sororities, one representing the non-fraternity men, and one, the non-fraternity women. The president of the Thelomathesian, elected as at present by the student body from the Senior class, shall be chairman of the body and the sole executive member.

As has been stated, there shall be three members elected from the Junior class, two of whom shall be men and one a woman. The Sophomores shall be represented by one man and one woman, and likewise the Freshmen. The members elected from the three lower classes shall represent the classes and not the factions.

Such a body would consist of seventeen members. It would have a secretary, and any enactment passed by it would be read by this secretary at the next regular meeting of the Thelomathesian Society. The entire student body would at all times have a check on this legislative body through the referendum.

A legislative body of this kind would assure at least one representative from each faction in college. The recognition of the existence of such factions would be in no way discreditable, being as it is in direct accordance with the primary law of the State of New York. Each faction being represented, a better spirit would be promulgated, and the legislative body would be respected by the students as a whole.

Again, the scheme as proposed would give the girls of the college a better representation. This would answer one of the most serious objections to the committee's plan brought out at the recent Thelomathesian meeting.

But more than this, it does away with the managers of athletic teams as members of the body. Until the try-outs system for managers is adopted at St. Lawrence, there is bound to be, occasionally, a number of incompetent men chosen as managers of the various teams. According to the old system, no matter how incompetent a manager is, he is nevertheless a member of this legislative body.

Finally, the president of the Thelomathesian would no longer be a mere figure head. He would occupy a place in accordance with the honor and dignity of his position. The Thelomathesian Society, one of our oldest institutions, would still remain a vital force in college life. All together, a system of this kind, to my mind, would be much better, and much more practical for St. Lawrence at least, than the one submitted by the committee. Harry F. Landon, '13.

Jack Reed again displayed, at the recent smoker, his ability to say what he thinks. The coach has the makings of an orator.

A student in the class room recently compared Roosevelt to Caesar. Are we to assume that Taft is Brutus?

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