

under which extensive title I performed the more menial part of Faculty obligations, was to attend to these various collections, study hours, and bed requirements, detect absentees and enforce reasonable quiet. Each student supplied himself with a cushion, the principal use of which was as a missile, and this explains the following resolution, said to have been adopted by vote of the college:

"Resolved, that if any person be struck by a cushion he is not allowed to throw more than six in return—double the number at a Freshman. If the person that threw it be not conveniently near, he will not be allowed to hit in return, more than four unoffending students—double the number of Freshmen. On no account will more than ten cushions be allowed to describe parabolas at one time. Chairs are not to be used as missiles until all cushions are exhausted."

These cushion fights, which usually were evening entertainments, constituted one of the serious offences which the Assistant Superintendent had to deal with. Why he did not allow them to proceed unmolested is now one of his unsolved problems, except that he had

to fall in with the wholesome habits of the past.

The students were kindly disposed to the new official. They tried to teach him to play cricket and they allowed him to accompany them on their cross country runs. They gave him pointers as to the limitations which time had imposed on his methods in detecting offenders, and they warned him against criticizing certain peculiarities of the older officers which had to be recognized. The Seniors, to whom he was appointed to teach mechanics, with great politeness, proved to him that they ought not to take such long lessons as a class of specialists at Harvard; and even the four Freshmen caught the spirit of helpfulness by generously passing on a tradition given them by the Sophomores as to how many propositions of Euclid were orthodox for a day's work. It was excellent training in the game of discipline as played at Haverford, which was useful to him in after years.

But there was no malice in their operations and no serious immorality. They were a good-natured, well-wishing company, restrained by rules which they had outgrown into limits