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### The October German.

On last Friday night, the 19th, the University German Club gave its first semi-annual german for the year in the gymnasium. It was postponed from the regular time, University Day, Oct. 12th, in order that more young ladies might be able to be present; and the hopes were realized, for there were more couples than there have been for some while and taking all in all, it was the best mid-term german that has been held here for years.

The weather was pleasant, not too warm nor too cold; there was not the usual scarcity of girls and the great majority of stags; the figures were pretty and well led; the girls were prettily and danced well, which goes without saying; and everything combined to render it a most enjoyable occasion.

The german was led by E. W. Myers '95; it is needless to speak of the grace and skill with which it was done; he does everything with that fine degree of excellence with which he runs the Tar Heel. Several members of the club were kept away, being in training for the football team, one of these was Edwin C. Gregory '97 who had been appointed one of the floor managers; so the leader was assisted only by W. Stamps Howard, the other floor manager, who performed his part well.

Dancing was begun at 10 P. M. and continued until 3:30 A. M., when all repaired to the Chapel Hill Hotel, where they were regaled by a supper prepared by Tom Dunston, the well known Chapel Hill caterer.

The following couples participated:

Miss Matilda Heartt of Durham, with E. W. Myers; Miss Lida Carr of Durham, with T. R. Little; Miss Carrie Holt of Raleigh, with W. S. Howard; Miss Margaret Morehead of Durham, with Mr. R. L. Patterson of Durham; Miss Isabella Graham of Hillsboro, with Mr. F. C. Mebane of Hillsboro; Miss Alice Collins, of Hillsboro, with S. H. Hill; Miss Mabel Curtis of Tarboro, with E. P. Carr; Miss Mary Saunders of Richmond, Va., with W. A. Graham; Miss Katie Haywood of Raleigh, with F. R. Harty; Miss Nannie Jones of Raleigh, with F. N. Cooke; Miss Lillie Hoke of Raleigh, with J. L. Patterson; Miss Mabel Tomlinson, of Durham, with H. C. Bridgers; Miss Sophie Busbee of Raleigh, with W. G. Clark;

Miss Louise Busbee of Raleigh, with F. M. London; Miss Ethel Roberts of Durham, with J. A. Gwyn; Miss Elizabeth Clarkson of Charlotte, with J. A. Andrews; Miss Mary Pegram of Charlotte, with R. S. Busbee; Miss Mary Pescud, of Raleigh, with F. A. Johnson; Miss Anna Morrill of Alabama, with Michael Schenck; Miss Blanche Haase of Greensboro, with J. E. Mattocks; Miss Mary Courtney Chestney, Macon, Ga., with P. C. Graham, of Hillsboro; Miss Mary McCauley, of Chapel Hill, with T. F. Sanford; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. London, of Pittsboro; Dr. and Mrs. J. A. London, of Chapel Hill.

The chaperones were Mrs. Hoke, of Raleigh; Mrs. Guthrie, of Durham; Mrs. Headen, of Chapel Hill.

The following danced stag:

F. A. Green, Esq., of Durham, R. L. Gray of Raleigh, W. L. Scott, R. T. S. Steele, Murray Borden, C. R. Emry, F. L. Carr, J. T. Gregory, J. N. Pruden, F. F. Bahnson, and Walter Brem.

### Journal of the Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society.

The second part of vol. X of the Journal of the Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society is just out. This number is quite a fine one, presenting the following interesting table of contents:

"A Comparison of the Methods of Separation and Estimation of Zirconium" by Chas. Baskerville; "The Primitive Streak and Blastopore of the Bird Embryo," by H. V. Wilson; "Additions to the Erysipheae of Alabama," by George F. Atkinson; Some Septoyiae from Alabama," by George F. Atkinson; "Additional Notes on the Fungi, of Blowing Rock, N. C." George F. Atkinson; "An Examination of the Chlorides of Zirconium," F. P. Venable; "Some attempts at the Formation of Ethyl Glucoside," J. R. Harris; "On the Geological History of Certain Topographical Features East of the Blue Ridge," Collier Cobb; and last but by no means least in these wonders of science and nature comes a snake story by the same author.

The North Carolina University Magazine for Oct. opens with *The Recollections of a Japanese boy*, by Yoshijuro Kurokawa. The principal title *Dai Nippon* rests in a head-piece, of which the most prominent figures are Japanese fans and is quite suggestive. Some incidents and impressions in the life of a child in Japan are given with an attractive simplicity and almost quaintness of style, that leads us to look forward with interest to the continuation of the article, promised for the November number.

The *Power of invention* is a Sophomore essay by James K. Polk, of the class of 1818. The article is neither better nor worse than the average effusion of the school boy of 1894. Its only interest lies in the fact that it was written by one who afterwards became president of the

United States, and it will be a question with some as to the wisdom of filling six pages of the *Magazine* with an article that has no intrinsic value. A foot note stating that it "is printed without editorial review," relieves the proof reader of a great responsibility; "equally," "sumptuous," "riseng," "maridian," would hardly pass muster now. It is said that George Washington could not spell: so Polk has company. One of the best papers of this issue is by the Rev. Needham B. Cobb, who gives some interesting facts in the life of Nathaniel Macon; and publishes a letter from Macon to the Rev. Thomas Gardner, written from Philadelphia, Mch. 7, 1792. The writer was then in the Congress that had to deal with the results of St. Clair's defeat, and his letter refers to that with some matters of a personal and local nature that are interesting.

Algernon Charles Swinburne's version of the *Delphic Hymn to Apollo* is printed, together with the Greek music and a transcription, the latter by Dr. Eben Alexander.

J. E. Mattocks follows with a seven-page article on *The Earthworm: Its Habits and structure*.

Edward Graham Daves, apropos of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati, prints a letter from George Washington to Gen'l Jethro Sumner, and gives some historical facts in connection.

*Garrison and Secession*, by the Rev. Jno. W. M. Williams, gives an interesting bit of history in connection with the "Abolition movement."

The friends of Hunter Lee Harris, of the class of '89, will find a sad pleasure in his sonnet, *Solitude*, while the memory of his tragic death in the Summer of 1893 is so fresh in their minds.

Dr. Battle gives the *Names of Some of the Earliest Locomotives on the Raleigh and Gaston and North Carolina Railroads*. The locomotives "were in the popular imagination, things of life, with strong individual traits; hence their names, "Tornado," "Spitfire," etc., embody to some extent the conceptions of the people." Gov. Morehead, the President of the N. C. R. R. Company, showed his knowledge of the classics in the names, "Ajax," "Ixion," etc.

The department of *Anecdote and Reminiscence* relates an awkward Freshman's experience in declaiming before Dr. Caldwell's faculty, an accident at "a Senior Speaking in 1853," and the way in which the late Prof. Graves "squelched" a Sophomore who was unnecessarily earnest in his efforts to prompt a neighbor on a "Conics" recitation.

The "Book Notices" and Magazine Reviews are quite full.

The current comment and College Topics department have their usual local interest.

The historical papers in the *Magazine* are of great value, and this one is connected with the State's history.

### The Historical Society.

On Tuesday night last the Historical Society held its second meeting. Dr. Battle as president of the Society introduced Dr. Hume who then presented a very interesting and valuable paper on "The Huguenot families of North Carolina and Virginia." Dr. Hume prefaced his paper by giving a number of theories of the name Huguenot. He then discussed the Huguenot movement, their influence, their migrations, and their contributions to civilization. He treated in an elaborate way the sudden rise of the movement, its thorough French character, its lofty patriotism, and its influence both upon religion and politics. John Calvin himself, he said, had given form to the faith of these people. He stated that the flight of the Huguenots to England had aided much in securing the restoration. Their emigration and settlement in America and their influence upon the social life of the several states in which they settled, the chief of which were Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, were also discussed.

The Ashbies, Ballards, Amblers, Bernards, Pleasants, Rollands, Southalls, Malletts, and many others are families all of which are of Huguenot descent. Their descendants are filling some of the most important positions to-day, both in state and nation.

Dr. Battle added some interesting remarks in regard to the Huguenot element in connection with the University of the past.

Prof. Hooper, late professor of Greek in our own University, traced his descent back to the Huguenots; the captain of our first foot ball team under the new rules was Stephen C. Bragaw, of Huguenot descent; and one of the oldest students of the University was a Hnguenot by the name of Dr. A. J. DeRosset.

Dr Battle closed the meeting by reading some old letters written by former students of the University, in which some amusing incidents were brought to light.

The meeting was largely attended by the students, and we are also glad to note the presence of several ladies.

The manager of the football team has received a telegram from Mr. Frank Delabarre offering a guarantee of five hundred dollars to play the University of Penn. on Manhattan field, November 3rd. We were unable to accept, however on account of another game on that date.

Much enthusiasm for the University was shown by some of our colored friends during the game yesterday. Dr. Dunston, professor of tonsorial art, even went so far as to promise the two biggest turkeys to our victorious team. George Trice also gave a large freezer of his matchless cream. The manager desires to publicly express his thanks to both of the above.