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The TAR HEEL is having a difficult time trying to lead an orthodox existence. If someone would kindly furnish us with a list of "dents" our task would become much easier, and doubtless many mistakes would be avoided.

The Societies, endeavoring to stimulate an interest in Society work, have inaugurated two more Inter-Society Debates; and this year we will have three contests between the Societies instead of one as heretofore. If we understand the arrangement, the two debates that have recently been inaugurated are merely to train men for the annual contest that takes place in the Spring. Seniors were made ineligible for the two preliminary contests in order to stimulate the interest of the underclassmen. We believe the restriction is a wise one for too often such work is left to Seniors; and when the underclassman becomes a Senior, he is unable to perform the task with credit either to himself or Society, for the lack of previous training. We wish the new movement success.

We don't know just what we ought to say with regard to the recent outrages that have been perpetrated in our midst. Perhaps we should say nothing and hide the facts from outsiders if possible. But so long as we tolerate in silence such conduct the blame rests equally upon us all.

Property has been destroyed, recitation rooms defiled and desecrated, professors insulted, and the whole student body suffers and bears the blame. By whom was this devilry committed? Why should the student body bear the blame that should rest upon the shoulders of men who could be counted upon the fingers of one's hands? Why should professors be allowed to lecture classes on this subject, not knowing whether their men were guilty or innocent? Why should the authorities in walking through the campus have the right to suspect every man whom they meet? Simply because we have not reached the point where we are able to report such conduct and are content to assume our part of the blame rightly belonging to others. We have no harsh words for these men; we are only saddened when we think of what they have done. But we want to ask, how much longer are we to tolerate these

abuses? In the words of Major Cain, "Foster a public sentiment that will make such baseness impossible."

The TAR HEEL has on to occasions made reference in a general sort of a way to the literary societies and called attention to the benefits to be derived from excises such as they offer. We are glad to know that a number of men have availed themselves of the advantages pointed out and we rejoice to say to our alumni that both the Di and Phi are doing work which as they have not done for many years. The interest is stronger and the sentiment healthier than we have ever seen it. To any stragglers who intend to join "sometie" we say that you are missing every week a golden opportunity to join now, and if there is anything you it will have every chance for development.

Since our last issue Carolina's team has valiantly borne off the old White and Blue in one of the most bitter and stubborn contests that has ever been witnessed on a Southern gridiron.

In a hostile town with the odds against her, Carolina played a brilliant game, and prevented her opponents from scoring although she was unable to score herself.

Carolina endured the terrific onslaughts of her opponents till her goal was in danger and ten bracing herself would secure the ball and carry it out of harm's way. Virginia would then get the ball and the same act would be repeated. We were disappointed at first over the result of the game, but since we have examined the facts we find that the Varsity put up a noble exhibition of foot-ball; and when this is the case U. N. C. will always be glad to honor her team whether she be beaten or victorious.

### For Schools and Colleges

The General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church has appointed Sunday, November 1st, as a "Day of Prayer for Schools and Colleges." Accordingly, there will be a special service at the Presbyterian church Sunday night.

An interesting program has been made out and good music may be expected. The pastor, Mr. Curry, Dr. Venable, Prof. Gore, Prof. Butler, Mr. E. L. Harris and Mr. C. H. Johnston will make short talks, 5 to 8 minutes, on particular topics.

This service will be beneficial as well as entertaining to those who attend. Everyone is cordially invited to come. Let us, as students, show our appreciation of the interest the good people of the country take in us.

Service begins at 7:00 P. M.

### The Game To-day.

The Varsity left Thursday for Atlanta, where they will play the University of Georgia eleven to-day. The Georgia team is a strong one and we can only hope for a favorable result. Returning the team will play the Charlotte Athletic Club on Monday. The following men were taken on this trip: Joyner, Bagwell, Carson, Neville, Wright, Seagle, Harlee, Best, White, Greene, Haywood, and Busbee. Coach Johnston accompanied the team.

### Athletic Notes.

The foot-ball scores of last week were very interesting to devotees of the gridiron. The victory of Lafayette over U. of Pa., and the failure of Yale to capture the scalps of the Carlisle Indians have broken somewhat the exclusiveness of "the really first class teams".

This reminds us of the base ball contests of last spring and the good showing made by some of the smaller colleges against their more pretentious rivals. In fact, a general survey of college athletics seems to indicate that in the future the four great universities will not have it entirely their way. Great superiority in numbers must, of course, count in the end but Yale, Princeton, U. of Pa. and Harvard will have to look more closely to their laurels.

Take the West for instance. With all her sturdy manhood, wealth, etc., it is but reasonable to expect her soon to be successfully competing with the East. The records of some of her last year's teams were by no means bad and the prospects for this year are good.

In the South here we find the same tendency at work on a small scale. The University of Virginia and the University of North Carolina, not long since without a rival in athletic contests, have to night their way now from October to Thanksgiving Day. Nothing could be better for us, however, for competition is the life of other things besides trade and if we have the right sort of spirit, each year will find us with a better team than the preceding.

In all probability, Pennsylvania and Lafayette will again meet on the gridiron this season. Pennsylvania is anxious to regain her good reputation and accordingly must defeat Lafayette. As an incentive, Pennsylvania offers Lafayette the total amount of the gate receipts. She will also erect an additional seating capacity on Franklin field of 10,000 making the total capacity of about 30,000.

The following is posted in the Gymnasium:

### NOTICE!

A series of Indoor Athletic contests will be held this winter. The first event will be held Dec. 5th and will consist of—

- 1st, Standing Broad Jump.
- 2nd, Pole Vault.
- 3rd, Skipping Rope for two minutes.
- 4, Running High Jump.
- 5, Club Race.

Medals will be given to the first, second and third man who wins the greatest number of points in the series of events. The second event will be held Jan 3rd, and the third in February.

We want songs and yells for the Virginia game, they will help us win. Let everybody call on the Muse and send the songs to us. We will publish those we deem meritorious.

Vanderbilt lost her first game to Centre College by the very disastrous score of 46 to 0. Our friends are very sore over the result and are loud in their cries of professionalism, unfair treatment, &c.

[Communicated].

EDITOR: In the last issue of the TAR HEEL, we notice an editorial suggesting that some room comfortably furnished with games and other means of enjoyment, would contribute largely to the pleasure of the students.

The Young Men's Christian Association feels the need of just such a place. A place where the students may have a common home; a place where the hard routine of study may be interspersed with some of the pleasures of the homes from which they come; a place to the cheerfulness of which each and every one will feel it his duty and his privilege to contribute.

In the spring of '95, a movement was started to raise \$20,000 for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. building. As a result, \$6,654 have been subscribed, work to commence as soon as \$10,000 are secured. It is to contain a lecture room, a reading room, drawing rooms and parlors, all neatly and cosily furnished.

The Committee for this year will exert every energy not only to secure enough to complete the first ten thousand, but also to get the remaining ten thousand in sight.

A university as large as ours should have a building of this kind, and the sooner we see its spires on our campus, the sooner will there be a stronger band of friendship uniting us, a better tone of moral sentiment in our body, and a deeper spiritual and religious life. Let every man in the University put his shoulder to the wheel, and out of this concert of action will come grander and more glorious results than has been the outgrowth of any previous movement in our midst.

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### College Notes.

Mt. St. Joseph is contemplating a change of colors.

The University of Paris now has nine thousand students.

Rutgers College is going to try the plan of absolute self government for the students.

Columbia began her 43d year last week, which will also be her last year in the old buildings.

University of Virginia has no reading room.

Guilford College is very jubilant over the score made in the first game with us.

Princeton has started a military organization, and a company has been formed called the "Mercer Blues."

An athletic field will shortly be arranged for Bryn Mawr. It will contain grounds for tennis, golf, and basket ball.

President Elliot, of Harvard, prophesies that college fraternities will in time cause American universities to be broken up into colleges after the English idea.

University of Georgia will have an unusually strong team this year unless some unforeseen misfortune overtakes them. They have very promising men back of the line and the line is one of the best they have ever had. The only unfilled position is that of center and several good men are working for that position. [Not very interesting to U. N. C. men just at this time.]