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The University witnessed last week an exhibition of asinine barbarity of which all respectable citizens should be heartily ashamed, and, if the perpetrators have an idea that their savage propensities are shared by any great number of our students, they are sadly mistaken. Harmless fun and joking is unobjectionable to every one; nor do we desire a student body composed entirely of pious monstrosities, but we do object to any such display of savagery as was perpetrated in the English lecture room last week.

As to the participants in this demolition of property, their residence should be transferred to an insane asylum or a jail. To indulge in such uncivilized conduct has the mark of either an idiot or a criminal, nor is the University intended for specimens of either genus.

We submit the advice to those in authority, that unless they can extirpate such savage elements from our midst, the recitation rooms be remodeled with iron doors or else be placed under perpetual guard. The University is too poor to spend any money repairing damages done by the small barbarian minority, nor is it pleasant for the quieter and more studious men in college to be disturbed by these nightly escapades of rampant howlers and yelling savages.

In regard to the matter referred to above, we should like to ask—how can any class be held financially responsible for the damages? Although a vast majority disapproves and condemns the conduct of the uncivilized few, yet they are not willing to suffer for the misdeeds of this lawless minority. There is no more justice in making the guiltless members of the implicated classes responsible than there is in calling to account the people of the village who were a mile away when the thing happened.

We suggest as the proper remedy that the majorities in the respective classes show their desire for law and order by forcing the black-sheep members to "foot" the bills and make good the damages.

The University should feel that her work is on the ascent when such expressions from representatives of the Legislature filled the Chapel last week. While their number was only a small per cent of this body, we take their judgements of their colleagues as of some con-

sideration and it seemed from what we gathered that the majority were in favor of higher education and State aid. It is but natural to conclude from their statements that educational advantages are going to be increased, starting with the common schools and going through the University. It is true that the State is poor, but it is equally true to state that our people will not be backward in materially aiding what they are in favor of carrying out and what is bound to effect their future position among their sister states in such a marked degree. If we want educational institutions improved upon our dedpest ditch is crossed. If we want what is bread and meat among our necessities and claim to be men why not have it.

WE ARE about to establish a University magazine, which, we hope, will be a credit to the University and a stimulator of literary activity among the students. The faculty are in hearty sympathy with the movement, so far as we are able to learn, and they will largely contribute to its success, if they will entertain the idea of counting as academic work such contributions as have a sufficiently high standard of literary merit.

Students who are able to contribute creditable articles will be unwilling to neglect their collegiate work for this purpose, but, if it is made to count as a regular classroom exercise, there would be generated a two-fold interest and the results would be twice as profitable as if only a single object were at stake. We respectfully urge that the faculty take this into consideration, as we feel sure that such an arrangement would certainly elevate our standard of literary development and incite us to a greater desire for literary activity.

It is at present a very difficult matter to get large posters printed in Chapel Hill, and as there is quite a demand for them by the different University clubs, the Press Company ought to supply itself with the requisite outfit of large type. As it is now, you must fit your bill to the type on stock, rather than get exactly what you want.

Mr. E. A. Moye, of the class of '93 has decided to become a benedict.

Mr. Watkins, father of one of our students, spent several hours on the Hill Tuesday.

The TAR HEEL is glad to see Prof. Gore out again after an illness of several days.

Frank M. Pinnix, ex '98, was on the Hill during the past week for a few days.

Don't fail to read the ad. of Mr. H. H. Cortland, the well known Greensboro tailor. Carmichael and Smith represent them.

It was with the greatest pleasure that the students saw Capt. Stanly don his base-ball uniform on Tuesday, for the first time this season. Five of last year's regular team are now in training.

Dr. Ball on account of excessive work has decided not to give his lecture on "Homer before the University on April 9th. This will be a disappointment to the Greek enthusiasts. Dr. Linscott has kindly consented to take his place. His subject will be "Zoroaster, his Language, People, and Religion."

## Who is Who?

Anyone who, by some fortuitous circumstance, has chanced to feast his hungry eyes upon the latest pictorial representation of the faculty must have been forcibly impressed with its heterogenous character. The gentlemen in authority seem to have possessed neither an appreciation of uniformity nor a perception of the ludicrous. For we find there, grouped side by side, him who, in the trying days of the reconstruction, so nobly restored the prestige of our beloved *alma mater* and him, who, as assistant in the geological laboratory, only acidulates the rock and discriminates between feldspar and black mud; him, who, as its present bearer, is destined to place our standard upon the summit of educational progress and him, whose sole demonstrative duty it is to skin the frog for the measly freshman.

It is the strange, the incompatible, the poke-bonnet upon the head of the woman of fashion or the peacock's finery upon the serving girl which excites our risibility. We may, therefore, hazard the assertion, that the incongruous elements portrayed in the aforesaid group, constituting, as they combined do, a parody upon educational leadership, would excite in an uninterested observer merriment untold. But in us who compose the student body, and especially in us—who have almost scaled the precipitous height upon which is placed our longed-for degree, and who, by reason of this continued stay have learned to love and revere everything connected with this grand old University, to take pride in its glory, rejoice in its progress and mourn the existence of anything tending to reflect discredit upon it—laughter battles with humiliation—and loses.

For we had fondly hoped that, when the chemicalizing process necessary for their preservation had run its course, there would be opened to our view the reproduced features of those whom we are wont to regard as the faculty; of those whom we, as, in after years, we wistfully turn the pages of an antiquated "*Hellenian*," could point out with heartfelt pride as the guardians of and educators of our youth; of those to whom we could turn as the best witnesses of the worth of that institution which bigoted churchmen, whose conduct has indeed immortalized the "rarity of Christian charity," have tried so vainly to crush. But, as is the case with all, who "listen with credulity" to the enchanting melody of the Siren Hope, we were doomed to disappointment. Our expectations were fulfilled, it is true, but the realization was rendered worthless by an overproduction. The reason for this is obvious. For who could, with the proper effect, point out to either a friend or an enemy, the group of University Professors as a "clinching nail" in his climactic argument, when his mind was filled with the consciousness, that the gaze of the directed one was as likely to fall upon a pusillanimous undergraduate as on a professor or instructor? Who, I repeat could do this, while realizing that the "acidulator" would, in all probability be taken for the President of the institution, and the "skinner" for the holder of the Chemistry chair? No one surely, in whom there existed any sense of the ridiculous. We (the student body) realized this when first we gazed upon the oft-mentioned "photo" and as the feeling of our utter remedial impotency rushed over us with overwhelming force, we exclaimed in accents of immeasurable

woe, "Where, oh! where were Wilkes Caldwell and Bill McDade?" Shall we attribute the absence of these later-named gentlemen to accident or was it the result of a preconcerted scheme? If the latter is the case, if there was intended any insult, then beware, ye gentlemen of the faculty, for Wm. McDade does not brook such; and the steely glitter which shone from "the Caldwell's" eyes, when, a few days ago he was reprimanded for a premature ringing of the bell, showed that tho' descended from Ham, he has still acquired (either by gift or purchase) a quantity of that Saxon blood in which rebellion runs riot and which rights a wrong with a ruthless hand. But to depart from this serio-comic strain.

Is there in truth no line of demarcation between the Faculty and the non-Faculty? Are there indeed no peculiar qualifications, is there no intellectual sign-manual, which may serve as an aid to us in the process of differentiation? No staff of merit, with which we may separate the sheep and the goats? We had, at least, so dreamed. Our conception of a professor was of one who had finished his undergraduate work and whose prime object here was teaching; who attended the faculty meetings and had a vote; though of course we admit our liability to error. Are these conditions fulfilled in the case of these young gentlemen, who are the innocent cause of this exposition of student views? Do they attend faculty meetings? Imagine for one moment, kind reader, the consequences of an attempt on the part of an "acidulator" to effect an entrance into that consultation of the wise! Smiles of amused contempt would greet him on all sides, and an indignant silence, more trying far than the wildest fury of words, would ask "What dost thou here, thou imp of perversity! Thou presumptuous scion of unparalleled effrontery! Wouldst thou force thy puny presence upon us?" And we venture to conjecture that the "presumptuous scion" would not. Are then these young springalls, who yet see the realization of their collegiate hopes a long way off, these fledgelings, the dawn of whose manhood the coming beard has not yet proclaimed—bona fide members of the faculty? We confess to having considered their claim to such a distinction much in the light, in which we would regard the right of a sparrow, chirping upon the highway, to be ranked as a member of the Commonwealth; or that of a molly cotton-tail, scurrying thro' the hedges of one of our Southern plantations to be numbered among the sharers in the productions of its broad acres. But, as above stated, we readily acknowledge our fallibility. Accord us, then, true and authentic information; and, if we are wrong we will endeavor, by a scrupulous observance of all due ceremony in future, to make amends to those young magistri, to whom we (the student body) always, thro' a misconception, have hitherto been strangely lacking in deference, tho' never, we hope, in courtesy. While, if we are right, we will not suggest (oh, no! nothing so presumptuous) but only again hope that, the next time "the Faculty" have their "likeness struck" it will be in "propria persona," for this pandering to precedent, which involves universal inclusiveness is, at once abominable and absurd.

Rev. Mr. Winecoff left Chapel Hill a few days ago for a trip of rest and recuperation in Virginia.

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