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The base ball schedule that was published last week shows that we do not have many games with the larger colleges but we can account for this in the way we are geographically situated. However, most of the games will be played on the home grounds, and thus the student body will be able to see for themselves how our team plays. There is not so much pleasure in hearing how our team played as there is in seeing. We have every opportunity of seeing how our team plays against opponents and every one should grasp it.

These opportunities have not been presented before as now and they may not be presented again, so let every body come out and help the association financially as well as cheering the team to victory.

On Saturday the Senate now in session blighted our hopes of having a sewerage throughout the University by refusing to give an extra amount for the purpose. But on Monday after reconsidering this matter they found the need of such to be as great as represented to them and the General Assembly appropriated \$7,500 to this end. This amount was not as much as was asked for but still the students are glad to know that the amount will accomplish one long felt need here. Water is not only needed throughout the buildings but also in case of fire. There is no protection whatsoever from fire here and if a fire should start here we would soon be without shelter. We are glad to see that the General Assembly recognized these facts and we feel pretty sure that in appropriating this amount they did the best thing for the State as well as for the students.

Honorable Julian S. Carr has again shown his friendliness to the University by a donation of \$5000 to be added to another of \$10,000 given by him in 1891 to the chair of History here. These amounts will be used in building a dormitory, to be known as the Carr building. The rent accruing from the building will be equal to the interest on the money, and at the same time the University will be benefitted

with a dormitory which it so greatly needs. This is one of the many gifts that Colonel Carr has given to his Alma Mater and it goes to show what love and esteem he has for her. He has always been ready with a helping hand to aid the University and by his help the University has to a great extent become what it is.

The election of Judge Shepherd to succeed the late Dr. Manning as Professor of Law here is a good one. Judge Shepherd having been Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina shows that he knows the law, and his association with Dr. Manning in the Summer law schools brings to light his ability as a teacher of it. The University welcomes him to her faculty knowing full well that his presence will tend to make it stronger. Judge Shepherd will do some work in the law department during the Summer, and September he will begin active work in that department.

The University tennis association has decided to have a tournament some time soon. The champions of each class will be presented with a jersey having a monogram of his class on it. So there is some incentive for a man to work and every body should take interest in it.

Let every body who can play tennis join this tournament and we can then be able to ascertain who are the best players in college. There may come a time when Carolina will have to be represented in this line, and we can in this way find out who are the best men to represent her.

INTER-SOCIETY DEBATE.

The eleventh annual Inter-Society debate was held in the Phi. Hall on last Saturday night, in which the Phi. representatives, having the negative of the Query "Resolved: That the United States should annex Cuba, provided the people of Cuba ask for annexation", came off victorious.

The affirmative was well represented by Messrs. Cates and Greenfield from the Di. Society. Messrs. Parker and Lane from the Phi. Society ably contended for the negative side of the question.

Promptly at 8 o'clock Mr. H. P. Harding, the President of the debate, called the assembly to order, and the Secretary, Mr. Tart, called up the first speaker on the affirmative, Mr. A. E. Cates, of the Di. Society, who spoke in substance as follows:—

The affirmative holds that the question is one of expediency and involves no discussion of the principle of annexation. That has already been decided and we have repeatedly added to our dominion outlying islands. Our government has from its early formation sought to acquire Cuba by negotiation and has twice offered to buy the islands for \$100,000,000.

There are advantages to be gained from the annexation of Cuba which are in the first place economic, in the second place strategic.

The commercial value of Cuba depends on the development of her resources, and the control of her trade. She can not be developed without the introduction of foreign

capital and this can only be attracted there by a government which would inspire confidence, which Cuba alone could not establish. Sound political conditions are at the bottom of economic stability.

Our trade with the tropics amounts to \$400,000,000. If we can produce our tropical supplies in our own territory we can pay for them with our manufactured goods. The United States is the great sugar consuming country of the world and Cuba is capable of producing sugar cheaper than any other country.

Strategically Cuba would give us control of the Gulf and the proposed Isthmus Canal. Capt. Mahan says Cuba is the most valuable strategic island in the world, with the exception of Ireland. The opinion of Capt. Mahan is supported by every eminent authority who has investigated the subject. Cuba would furnish us with deep and secure harbors which our southern coast lacks.

The first speaker on the negative, Mr. D. P. Parker from the Phi. Society, began by affirming that there is a principle involved in this question. We are not committed to the imperial policy according to Senator Gray. But if we were, we should return to our ideals. Because a nation makes one mistake, that is no reason for its committing a second any more than a person who sins.

He declared every stable government must rest upon the character of its subjects. If this is not the case the natural thing for them to do is to destroy it and establish one which does comply with their wishes. The elements of the nation must be homogeneous; it must have unity of race and of disposition among its people. "A house divided against itself cannot stand." We should not bring into our realm a region whose inhabitants are not now and can not in the future be in sympathy with us.

Mr. Parker further said that the Cubans belong to one civilization and we to another. Ours is the highest type of Anglo-Saxon civilization. Our government rests on the principle that "all government derives its just powers from the consent of the governed." Cuba is inhabited mainly by three races: the Chinese, tropical negroes, and Spaniards; as to the qualities of the first two, there is little question; the life of the Spanish people for the last four centuries proves that they have no conception of freedom in the Anglo-Saxon sense. They stand for institutionalism in religion, and tyranny and oppression in government.

Second on the affirmative was Mr. J. M. Greenfield, of the Di. Society. He referred briefly to the commercial and strategic advantage in the annexation of Cuba and then proceeded to a discussion of the Cuban people and the island's relation to this Country. The fact that the Cuban people if left to themselves would not pay sufficient at-

tention to sanitation to prevent the occurrence of yellow fever and its spreading to this country, was stated. His chief argument was approached in the question: "Will the Cuban people if independent govern themselves decently, or will anarchy and frequent revolution be the result, as in the South American States?" He argued that if the former is to be true and the Cuban people prefer annexation to independence they would not be an undesirable acquisition. If on the other hand the latter is to be the case we must annex them. He showed first, that our intervention made it our duty to prevent anarchy in Cuba, and next, that the island's nearness to us and the intimacy of our relations make it to our interests to prevent such disorder. He claimed that for the discharge of this duty and the protection of their interest, annexation, so far as the people of Cuba are concerned, is the most satisfactory outcome.

Mr. B. B. Lane, Jr., of the Phi

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