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Dr. Summerbell is a gentleman and a scholar.

Everything and everybody are moving.

The basket ball team, where are they?

Baseball material is all here. Must be matriculated by Jan. 10th.

The question is who wrote the poem, "Student Love" which appeared in the last issue or who is Bad Boy?

Still they come.

Washington and Lee University has bright prospects for baseball the coming season, if all reports from those quarters are true. Harry Moran, the sensational pitcher of 1911 baseball outfit, is back in college as captain of the team, and with such men as Malcolm, half-back on the varsity football team, Miles, center, and Tompkins, from Arkansas, the White and Blue has a string of pitchers that look good from a distance at least.

Virginia may lose her veteran coach and all around athletic advisor, "Pop" Lannigan now soon unless the general athletic association can come across with more money for a bigger salary. Northern Universities have heard of the ability of Coach Lannigan both in a general way, and better still through the achievements of men whom he has trained for track work, especially Jimmy Reeter, Larry Martin and Forrest Stanton, the fleet-footed Californian, and foot-ball star, owe their successes in a great measure to the superb coaching of Mr. Lannigan.

Coach Moakley, of Cornell, is in communication with him and has offered a round thousand dollars more than Virginia is paying, for his services. But he seems wooed to Charlottesville and the Virginia boys and hesitates to leave them if they will come any ways near the terms offered by the Ithica Coach.

We hope such arrangements can be made as will keep Coach Lannigan in the South, for we need good men down here as badly if not worse than our Yankee brethren. This man is an up-to-date Coach and his work on Virginia's back field in developing speed is very evident

to all who have watched the workings of the Orange and Blue squad during the past several football seasons.

If a change is made it will be at the close of the present school year.

Everything now looks as if Eddie Harlan will be named as coach of the baseball and foot-ball teams of Johns Hopkins University. The Hopkins athletic board will have a meeting during the current week whose chief business will be the selection of a coach.

Everyone, both students and alumni, in view of his excellent record as an athlete while at Princeton University and his conduct since, are anxious for Harlan to be chosen. The only difficulty at present seems to be the matter of salary.

Harlan has an enviable reputation as a foot-ball player, though he is small, and as a pitcher was among the best on his club while in college.

Hopkins will do well to get such a man as Harlan to build up their athletic strength.

**THE BENEFIT OF DAILY BIBLE STUDY.**

One is always benefited by forming good habits. What we do is largely the result of habit, and the way to keep these habits from being bad is to form good ones. One of the first things daily Bible study does for us is it helps us to form a good habit, the habit of studying systematically the greatest Book ever written. And once this habit is formed the good will be so evident that it will continue throughout life.

This study also helps us to meet the temptations of the day. It isn't hard to overcome temptations if one is steeped in the atmosphere of the Bible. Christ answered every argument the devil put to him with a quotation from the Bible. If our Saviour needed the Scriptures to strengthen Him in the time of trial, we who are weak and prone to sin must need them a thousand times more to help us overcome the wiles of him who is ever trying to pull mankind down.

By it we become acquainted with the Scriptures and those great heroes who lived so close to God. We are told that character is not taught, but caught. By associating for some time with a man of a strong character one catches something of his spirit. How glorious it is to catch something of the character and inspiration of the great men of the Bible!

Again, it sets standards for men. One who is a consistent student of the Bible is one who has high ideals of life. It is almost impossible for a man who studies the Bible systematically with the right spirit to deal dishonestly with his fellow men. The student who is a systematic Bible student is never caught cheating on examination nor anything else which he would not like to be caught doing.

It brings individual consecration. The systematic Bible student is consecrated to God, and the building up of His cause and the promotion of what is good in his fellowmen. The life of him who lives daily in the atmosphere of the Bible is so consecrated to the service of God that the man of the world feels when coming into his presence that he is very close to God.

It helps to fight life's battles. The man who studies the Bible every day is

strong enough to win in the conflicts which come to him. The men who lose in the great battles of life are the men who do not study the Bible systematically.

Above all, it gives us fellowship with God and Jesus Christ, our elder brother. We never really know and have fellowship with a person until we know something of what he believes and teaches. Neither can we really have fellowship with God until we are familiar with his word. Those great men like John Bunyan, Moody, and others who seem to carry the presence of God with them, were men whose lives were consecrated by diligent, earnest study of God's word.

Can we do anything for thirty minutes a day which will do more for us than this? What it has done and is doing for others it will do for you. All you have to do is to give it a fair trial. We have a few group Bible study classes here in Elon which are doing a great work, but still there are numbers of the young men who do not belong to any of them. We wish to organize more groups soon and enroll every young man in college in them. We can do this if we try hard enough. Get together and let's go forward to a more earnest, diligent and systematic study of the Bible. C. J. F.

**A STAND PATTER.**  
By John G. Truitt.

School teaching is for a man  
What is still standing pat,  
Who is not changed by wind or sand,  
Neither by this nor that.  
But when troubling clouds arise,  
And things take him by surprise,  
You will find that he is wise,  
For still standing pat.

Should you meet him with a frown,  
What cares he for that?  
Should you greet him with a smile  
He is still standing pat.  
Troubles come, and troubles go—  
Pretty weather and weather of snow:  
He don't care how hard you blow  
If he is still standing pat.

A school teacher should be a man  
With sense under his hat;  
Knowing all kinds of words and figures,  
Yes, and more than that:  
He must make the children obey,  
Share their work and share their play:  
Teach for more than pomp or pay,  
Then he will stand pat.

He should be kind and courteous to all,  
And nice, for all like that;  
He should know his business well,  
He should certainly stand pat;  
Treat alike both great and small,  
Heed not their howling call,  
Then you know their feathers will fall  
Because you always stood pat.

**GENIUS.**

Through the drift and scope of fleeting ages genius has ever held a dignified distinction. It touches every shore of human knowledge and experience. It appropriates and investigates every element and product of nature—all the minerals, all the trees, all the flowers and all the birds of the air are its companions and constitute source for its development and expansion. It touches life at all of its various and complicated points, covers all of its different fields, and responds to ev-

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With the scientist it dives into obscurity and grandeur of nature and there opens to mankind unforeseen powers of priceless utility. With the philosophers it displays an explanation of reasons and thereby man is enabled to comprehend logical facts and virtuous truths of infinite reverence.

With a Shakespeare we are led into the unknown secrets and mysteries of the supernatural; we converse with ghosts and fairies, and ride astride the currents of air. With a Milton we are plunged through the gloom of chaos into the fiery depths of eternal doom, and then in a reversed mood we are carried into a regained paradise of perpetual peace and happiness. W. L. Anderson.

**PROVERBS AND PHRASES.**

It is only the supremely wise or intensely ignorant who never alter.—Confucius.

Personality cannot be made to order or friends selected by deliberate choice.

Boldness has genius, power and magic in it.—Caxton.

Only dead men have no competition.—Caxton.

O, what a tangled web we weave,  
When first we practice to deceive.—Scott.

He that of greatest works is finisher  
Oft does them by the weakest minister.—Shakespeare.

I will never trust a man again for keeping his sword clean, nor think he can have everything in him by wearing his apparel neatly.—Shakespeare.