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A TYPOGRAPHICAL error entirely damaged the meaning of our article in last week's TAR HEEL in giving the *alumni* a place in the councils of the University. The last word should have been *recognized*, not *reorganized*.

MOST people have voices for singing, and some idea of music. They do not sing because they do not know how. Such being the case, it is a pity that the bill recently before the legislature, to provide for instruction in vocal music in the public schools, failed to pass. The mere introduction, however, of such a bill is an encouraging feature.

WE DO not know to what extent the students are purchasing from the Coöperating Society. If they are wise they will patronize it liberally, for it furnishes superior articles at low prices. We should also like to see a large number of the students become members of the society, as that would give it strength, and enable it to do even better work than it is now doing.

THE author of the article in last week's TAR HEEL on "A University Senate, in introducing the subject, had it for his object to arouse in the student body an interest in the plan such as will lead to a full and free discussion. We would suggest a mass meeting where the matter could be thoroughly and carefully considered. Then, if it seemed wise to go further, a committee of students could be appointed with the request that the Faculty appoint a similar committee to confer with them. The matter could be carried before the Trustees in their winter meeting, and arrangements made to put the plan in operation by the beginning of the next term.

Should the University decide to adopt the Senate system, it must be gone into and adhered to in good faith. The only trouble that we have ever heard of in connection with this kind of government, arose from one side assuming the authority in matters belonging exclusively to the other.

He Who Runs May Read.

When a tree is bravely growing,
And upward springing fast;
When it's withstood the snows of winter,
And the chill winds deadly blast;
When it's blossomed out in flower,
And heavy with noble fruit,
It's friends want to make it grow faster
By cutting it down at the root.

The trouble and anxiety which the Seniors have been put to in selecting suitable subjects for their orations and theses are now over. On Saturday last the time expired in which all subjects either orations or theses had to be handed in. Each one now has a subject in some line of work in which he is specially interested. This action, on the part of the faculty, seems at first thought somewhat exacting, but without some such an arrangement many of us would be disposed to postpone this duty until a late day, and the consequence would be a piece of imperfect work. But as it is each one can now direct his thoughts towards the subject which is uppermost in his mind and employ his leisure moments in collecting material.

All who write orations will be expected to commit them to memory and speak them before a committee on May 1st. This committee will then select six of the best contestant, and these six will speak at the next commencement. Those who write theses are also required to hand them in on the same day on which the orations are delivered.

Mr. Pearson Closes his Revival.

To night (Thursday) Rev. R. G. Pearson will close the series of sermons which he has been preaching for us during last week and the first part of the present week. These services have certainly been of great value not only to the students of the University, but also to the villagers and to the entire community. Mr. Pearson has certainly succeeded in impressing upon the minds of many of our young men the importance of right living, and the fact that the development of the body and mind, without the corresponding development of the heart, avails little. He has shown also that in whatsoever occupation, profession, or calling we may engage, success in these may be attained on a strictly religious basis. We have learned that to lead a pious and upright life does not necessarily hinder one from being successful in any business in which he may engage, nor does it debar him from a participation in the harmless and useful pleasures of life. Mr. Pearson's sermon on Sunday morning was a strong and masterly discourse on faith in Jesus. In this sermon he proved the authenticity of the Bible beyond a reasonable doubt, and showed that faith was the connecting link between man and God. His illustrations are all taken from practical life, thereby making the truth conveyed the more emphatic. A large audience has attended every service, except when prevented by the severity of the weather.

We are truly thankful to Mr. Pearson for his visit, and wish him success in his further efforts.

The Glee Mandolin and Banjo Clubs left on Wednesday morning. They will give concerts in Louisville, Henderson and Oxford before returning.

The University Wins a Suit.

The *Wilmington Messenger*, of Jan. 26th, contains an account of a suit won by the University in the Superior Court of New Hanover County. The case was the University of North Carolina vs. Geo. W. Davis, col., to recover a piece of real estate in Wilmington, valued at \$4000, and formerly owned by Martha Strudwick, a former slave, who was set free, and died, leaving the property to two daughters, both of whom died without heirs and without making a will. There is a statute providing that where persons die intestate without heir their property escheats to the University. Geo. W. Davis claimed that as the husband of one of the daughters he had a right to occupy the property as tenant in common. The jury found that the University was entitled to half the property when the owner without heirs died, and is entitled to the other half on the death of Davis. The University also sued for the recovery of the rents on its half and received \$200.

Philological Club.

On Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock the Philological Club held its regular monthly meeting in the English lecture room, Prof. Toy, presiding.

The following papers were presented: One by Mr. T. J. Wilson on "The Endings of the Hexameters of the pseudo-Virgilian *Culex*." The *Culex*, he said, was a short poem attributed to the youthful productions of Virgil. He then proceeded to compare the endings in this poem with other poems, showing thereby that if composed by Vergil at all it must have been in early youth.

Prof. Harrington discussed "Some MSS. readings in the *Culex*."

Prof. Toy read a paper on "A Tyrolese Passion-play of the 15th century." In this play everything moves right on, without scenes or acts. It is one of the first attempts at dramatic representation on the German stage.

The next meeting of the Club will be held on the third Tuesday evening in February.

There is a decided feeling of restlessness noticeable among the college crews of the country this year. Cornell and Pennsylvania have for weeks been earnestly discussing a plan to send crews to England to engage in the great Henley event there. Pennsylvania is trying to arrange also a race with Harvard. Columbia announces that she will maintain a 'varsity eight this year, and has made overtures to Pennsylvania for a meeting at New London. Yale is already talking of racing with Cornell and Oxford this spring. Courtney, Cornell's professional coach, has been trying for a number of years to secure a race with Yale, and it is believed now that he will receive a favorable reply. There is no doubt in the minds of rowing

men that the Ithaca men have earned the right to a race with the national collegiate champions. Yale also recognizes, it is believed, that if she is to meet Oxford it is only proper that she should first establish her title to the American college championship beyond all question.—*Harvard News*.

WITHIN the past few days a great wave of religious feeling has swept over the University as a result of the meetings now being held by Mr. Pearson. Almost all of the old mossy-back sinners among the students have shaken hands with him to try and lead a better life, and many have professed religion. The TAR HEEL's best wishes go with him in his sinner pursuing career. "A little religion is a dangerous thing though, especially when it has come on the wings of enthusiasm instead of heralded by the light of reason, and to the students the TAR HEEL would say: Be as good as you want to, feel as much interest and enthusiasm over the meeting as you please, but don't you go up and shake hands and say you are converted until you are convinced that you genuinely feel all you imagine you do. Then, if you want to, join the church. Do nothing in a fit of enthusiasm, and you will never regret it.

People will talk

And they do say

That George Stephens is getting color-blind.

That it's dangerous to talk to another fellow's girl.

That gymnastics should not be practiced at a third story window.

That the subject of the Washington's Birth day Oration will be, "An inquiry into the Idiopsychological influence of Margaret of France upon the future state of George Washington's Hatchet."

That you can't always tell a girl's hand by its size, especially in the dark.

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