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Dr. Gibbs Lecture.

On Saturday night, March 14th., a large audience assembled in Gerard Hall to hear Dr. Gibbs, of Rockingham, N. C., deliver his lecture on "Our Country."

The speaker first made the point that patriotism, or love of home and country, is an expression of a universal sentiment of the human heart. It is found among those who are low in the strata of life as well in countries having the advantages as of modern civilization.

The fact that this sentiment is a living, active force is evidenced by the fact that numerous wars have been fought in defense of country, and national rights. This passion is strongest in those countries which are the farthest advanced in civilization, as a country progresses this feeling is deepened. Such a growth is necessary for a country to gain and maintain any degree of greatness. If the citizens of a country cease to love it, down fall is inevitable, such a condition is never found among men who stand high in the scale of civilization. Often this feeling becomes abnormal, it turns from a love of country into a love of self. When this selfish feeling supplants that of a genuine national love the country falls.

Dr. Gibbs outlined briefly why we should love America, showing its prowess in commercial, political and religious relations.

While we now stand at the climax of a world's power, there are agencies at work among us which, if not overcome, will result in our down fall. But says Dr. Gibbs, "I believe there exists among our people a patriotism which will steer the Old Ship of State safely over any breakers that do, or may exist."

It was shown that the enlightenment and happiness of the world was dependent on continuance of American power. From its shores must go out food to feed the world; clothing to clothe the world; and missionaries to convert the world.

The Summer School.

Two years ago there began a movement, among some of the educators of the State, to establish at Chapel Hill a Summer Normal School.

The purpose in establishing such a school was the elevation of the education of North Carolina. All branches taught in the primary departments were to receive especial care.

The educators headed by Prof. Alderman opened in the summer of 1894 the first session of this school.

The newness of the undertaking prevented this session from being very well attended, only sixty teachers being enrolled. But the leaders being encouraged by even this success went to work with renewed energy and in 1895 there were enrolled one hundred and sixty teachers.

The prospects for the coming session are more promising than ever

before. Arrangements have been made to have the most proficient educators of North Carolina, and several from other States, give courses of lectures.

Many new courses have been added and those offered during last session have been enlarged. All branches taught in the Common and Higher schools will receive special attention.

Believing that no better man could be selected, Prof. Alderman has been elected Director of the School. He has already sent out cards announcing the courses offered and the instructors. He is also having prepared a general statement, containing an account of all the advantages offered.

We are confident that the equipment for the coming session is far superior to anything ever offered in the State, and predict a gratifying increase in numbers.

Shakespeare Club.

The third regular meeting of the Shakespeare Club, during the Spring term, was held in the Chapel Tuesday evening.

Dr. Hume, the president, prefaced the meeting with some pertinent remarks urging that more attention be paid to the drama as a representation of real life, and emphasized the benefit of French and German in opening up the rich fields of the French and German drama.

Mr. W. Darden presented the first paper of the evening entitled "The Influence of Ancient Comedy upon the Modern Comedists."

The Elizabethan drama was shown to be a union of the ancient comedy and mediæval romance. The parasite of the Roman Comedy combined with the "Miles Gloriosus" of Plautus becomes the Sir John Falstaff of Shakespeare, regulated however by the personality of a great dramatist, and made individual.

Mr. D. R. Bryson next read a paper on "A Comparison of the Treatment of the Epic and Drama."

The Knight's Tales of Chaucer and the Two Noble Kinsmen of Shakespeare and Fletcher were instanced as representing respectively the narrative and descriptive treatment of the Epic and the dramatic treatment by dialogue and self speaking characters.

The peculiarities of each style of treatment were evidenced, and their differences brought out.

Extracts were then read by the President from a paper by Mr. B. Craige on Marlowe's "Jew of Malta", comparing Marlowe's treatment with that of Shakespeare in his "Merchant of Venice"—and from a paper of Mr. W. C. Smith showing a possible origin for the plot of the "Jew of Malta" of Marlowe.

The last paper was read by Mr. Dyer on Browning's "Paracelus." This drama was compared with Ben Johnson's "Alchemist" and their great difference in treating the character, made evident. Browning's hero is a man striving for the betterment of mankind with high, noble, and unappreciated motives. Ben's character is one imbued with selfishness and low motives—one whose highest aim is "to change rocks to gold" and to advance his own interests.

At the next meeting the subject of "Tragedy" will be presented, especially in connection with "Macbeth."

Oak Ridge Next Week.

The Base Ball season opens on Friday, the 27th. The first two games will be played with Oak Ridge on the home grounds, on the 27th. and 28th. of March.

Oak Ridge always puts out a good team and this year she is reported to have an unusually strong nine; several of the old star players have returned and are again playing ball.

They are always up to date in Base Ball, this year they have games with the teams of several Northern Colleges.

The Contest on next Friday and Saturday will be interesting, Captain Stanley and his men will have to play good ball for the "White and Blue."

We hope that every member of the University will avail themselves of this opportunity of seeing two of the best games of ball of the season.

The admission will be only twenty five cents.

[Communicated.]

The Dramatic Club is now a permanent feature of University life.

To those who encouraged the undertaking, the members of the Club desire to express their warm appreciation: to others, inclined to regard such an attempt as a "hollow mockery", we can only say that we hope you will be more charitable.

We have made a beginning, and hope that experience may bring with it the courage to undertake the presentation of "greater things" perhaps one of Shakespeare's plays.

The Club was organized under the most auspicious circumstances, in that its members could obtain the valuable instruction of an invaluable artist. To this fact is due whatever degree of success we may have attained. The imperfections are our own.

To Mrs. Graves, for services, too numerous to mention, and to Mrs. Gore and Mrs. Alderman, for the handsome stage furnishings, the Club extends most sincere thanks.

College Notes.

State College, Kentucky, has been forbidden to play foot ball by the trustees.

Harvard has 37 base ball candidates in training, exclusive of the battery candidates.

The Faculty of the University of Michigan will offer a prize for general excellency in athletics. It is to be in the form of a trophy, which will become the property of the winner.

There are 32 candidates for positions on the editorial board of the Yale News.

The Yale Henley Crew will sail for England on June 6th. which will give about three weeks time in England to become acclimated. Bob Cooke will probably put the finishing touches on the Crew after they have settled.

The Vanderbilt Seniors have adopted the Cap and Gown.

The West Point cadets will present Harvard with a loving cup as a means of reciprocating the courtesy shown by Harvard in declining to accept expense money for playing at West Point last year, after it was learned that athletics were supported there by voluntary subscriptions and that there are no gate receipts.

One of the requirements of a man seeking beneficiary aid at Amherst is that his college expenses during the past year shall not have exceeded \$500.

The Pennsylvania Courier offers a prize to the student obtaining the most subscriptions to the Courier.

Many of the Colleges in the North and West have forbidden their teams to play against any but college teams.

The board of Visitors of the University of Virginia have made arrangements to replace the buildings destroyed there by fire. The cost of the new buildings alone is \$250,000.

Two Chinese girls, who came to this country only three years ago hardly knowing a word of English, stood the highest in the recent medical examination at the University of Michigan.

Caspar W. Whitney, athletic editor of *Harpers Weekly*, is now on the Pacific coast, studying Western Athletics. Mr. Whitney expects to take a Southern trip later.

Vanderbilt has organized a Basket Ball League between the classes of the University.

The law-suit concerning the Stanford estate has been won, on its third trial, by Leland Stanford University giving them \$15,000,000

In Consequence of Poetry.

There was a time when Chapel Hill
Was filled with rest and ease,
For several boys had gone away,
And come back "as you please."

For Wince was in the South West
A spouting off his lip,
And so the boys all took a chance,
And gave old Josh the slip.

With hearts quite full of joy and pride,
They broke the college rule,
And free from all restraint and law
Went to the Normal School.

And there they saw girls by the score,
So pretty and so bright,
That adding on the Benbow "stuff",
They felt quite "out of sight."

And after mishaps manifold,
And pleasure by the score,
They wandered back to Chapel Hill
Resolved to leave some more.

But "pride always precedes a fall",
In this case was most true,
For Normal's fair enchanting maids,
Became sweet poets too.

When Wince returned to Chapel Hill,
And Josh had scratched his head,
Some letters to the office went,
With orders harsh, that said:

"You're on probation for three months,
We've caught on to your game,
For in the Normal poet's verse,
We happened on your name."

So now the "Hill" is very sad,
And "measles" all the go,
While students trot to "gym" and prayers,
And other things as slow.

A Victim.