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THE GREAT GAME has been played and Carolina has suffered a defeat without a parallel in all her foot ball history. It is difficult for us to believe that any team could pile up such a score on us, but it has been done and that ends the matter. We shall not attempt to make any excuse for our defeat, the score speaks for itself. Our team played the best ball it knew, the Virginians played better ball and we are willing to do honor to a generous and successful rival. The decisions of the officials, so far as we have been able to learn, were fair and just. The Varsity, though defeated, is still the pride of every Carolinian and dear to the hearts of University men on account of their overwhelming defeat in their manly struggle for our athletic reputation.

THE HARD WORK of the examination period has already begun and will continue till examinations are over. Some of us are being cheated out of an opportunity to do good work by a crowd of thoughtless visitors and loafers. The visitors are men who work hard for a few hours and then call on you when you are busiest yourself. The loafers never work themselves and seem determined to keep other men from working also. If you have nothing to do, stay in your own room or stroll about the campus, but don't visit other men, when you may be sure you are not wanted.

Show a little consideration for your neighbor by absenting yourself from his room; and remember this, that a visitor during exams, is a bore and a very weariness of the flesh.

The TAR HEEL is glad to note that the new administration is endeavoring to repair and beautify the campus and buildings, as much as our limited means will permit. The west end of the campus, too long neglected, is receiving attention just now. The low places on either side of Cameron Avenue, near Commons and Prof. Gore's residence, are being filled and supplied with drainage. The Avenue itself has been improved and the west gate has been rebuilt and now presents a creditable appearance. Improvements are likewise being made in the Chapel. New chairs have been added, the rostrum enlarged and recarpeted, and the walls are now being kalsomined. Other changes are under consideration, and we feel safe in saying that

possible improvement for the students' welfare, will be made. The administration is fully alive to the best interests of the students, and in return for its labor only expects appreciation on the student's part. The TAR HEEL feels sure this appreciation will not be lacking, and that Dr. Alderman will receive the support and encouragement of the student body in any reform or improvement he may undertake.

The football season is over and we can look back calmly upon the season and honor those who deserve honor. And beyond all doubt Dr. Baskerville's name stands first in the list of those who deserve our thanks and gratitude. At the very beginning of the season and long before our coach arrived, Dr. Baskerville was doing everything in his power to train the men, and his enthusiasm has known no abatement from that day to this. When the outlook was most gloomy the Doctor appeared upon the field every afternoon coaching both Varsity and Scrub; and in some instances, even donning the canvass in order to fill a vacant place in the line. If we would all emulate Dr. Baskerville's interest and enthusiasm it would be a comparatively easy matter for Carolina to claim a winning team.

Every man in the University should feel indebted to the Y. M. C. A. for the series of services just closed. We count it a great privilege that we could hear the common sense view of a higher and nobler life presented in such a clear and forcible way, so entirely free from sentiment or sensation. It is difficult to estimate the good that has been done by Mr. Sayford's talks, for he struck deep and the reaction is slow and silent. However, men who were previously careless, are thinking now and when men begin to think there can be but one result.

The Varsity returned Friday morning. They are sore over their defeat but have only words of praise for Virginia and her team. The treatment they received at the hands of their opponents was kind, courteous and polite. There was no ill feeling between the two teams, and both talked the game over in a sociable and friendly way after the contest had been decided. We are glad this is so. We freely admit Virginia's superiority and we shall cherish no ill feelings against our rivals.

Thanksgiving Day at Chapel Hill.

While the great contests were being waged on the gridiron throughout the country, Chapel Hill was enjoying a Thanksgiving after its own peculiar manner.

In the forenoon the good townsmen took a little something in a glass and then went over to the depot where a shooting match was in progress. One of the law class, we hear, won eleven turkeys. Many of the boys went home, or to the Richmond game, but a great majority of us stayed right here. A few of the elect dined with the professors, but the most of us of course were denied this privilege. In the afternoon we all assembled at Yearby's drug store and received a detailed account of our humiliating defeat. After this Thanksgiving had no more in this chronicle closed.

Review of the Foot Ball Season.

The general, active interest in foot-ball with us this year has far surpassed that of any year in the history of the game. We have had seven strong teams of select men actively training for nearly two months. Fully a hundred men have been at work on the athletic field every evening from half past four until six o'clock. And among all these men in all that time not one of the class-men has been seriously hurt nor one of the Varsity or Scrubs received any injury more serious than a sprained ankle or at most a broken collar-bone; while the beneficent results can hardly be enumerated. The winning of the class championship is the very least important. One hundred men have been trained—trained! Taught to deny themselves; taught the necessity of temperance in all respects; taught the value of united action; taught to struggle for class, for *alma mater*; taught to succeed; taught to suffer defeat. One hundred men have developed brawn and bronze that will last them through the year, even if they take no further exercise. One hundred men have learned a lesson that will make them men such as they would not have been without it. Surely these lessons are valuable.

A result that will be more directly evident is the development of abundant material out of which to form a team that will represent us in our inter-collegiate relations next year. We prophesy that there will be more men and better men applying for positions on the regular team next year than ever before.

Of the several teams the Juniors and Fresh were perhaps the first to organize and both showed spirit from the beginning. The Seniors were the slowest to make a start and it was good fortune that saved them in the game with 1900, for the advantage in playing was rather with the Freshmen; but a prompt seizure of opportunity saved the game with a score of 4-0. The Juniors clearly outplayed the Sophs with a score of 10-0. By the time of the game with the Juniors the Seniors had got themselves into good shape, and notwithstanding the Juniors' superiority of training and favorable public opinion, walked right over them, inflicting the worst defeat of the series. The Meds. were allowed the honor of playing the winner of these contests without having played a previous game, but yielded to the Seniors their claim to the championship because they had lost Mr. Mechling by a ruling of the advisory committee.

After this the Seniors, secure in the championship, relaxed in practice, while the Meds. continued to practice for a game with the Medical class of Davidson College; so that when the Meds., with Mr. Mechling on, played the Seniors an exhibition game they succeeded in scoring 4-0 on the champions. This looks bad for the Seniors, but does not by the terms of agreement affect the championship.

In the struggle for second place the Fresh beat the Sophs 6-4. The remaining game between Juniors and Freshmen was not played.

Messrs. W. C. Smith and W. J. Horney spent Thanksgiving in Greensboro.

The Musical Clubs.

After over two months of practice the members of both the Glee and Mandolin Clubs have at last been selected. The singers are chosen by Prof Harrington and Mr. D. Eatman, leader of the Glee Club, while Mr. E. V. Patterson selects and organizes the instrumental contingent.

Among the members of the Glee Club will be Messrs. Eatman (leader), Pfhoh, Anderson, Gudger Myers, Askew, D. Mangum, F. Coker, and Meredith.

Instrumental:—E. V. Patterson, (leader), C. R. Dey, M. C. Elliott, and W. S. Myers, first mandolins; Davis and Branch second mandolins; Howard, Lake, Anderson and Gudger, guitars; Cowles, violin; Pfhoh, flute.

The program for the winter's trip will be unusually good, owing to the great variety of solos, both vocal and instrumental. Messrs. Lake and Pfhoh will perform separately on the banjo and flute respectively, while the Glee Club's most attractive feature will be a quartet composed of one "star" singer from each part.

January 4th 1897 is the first date for a concert, and on that night the opening entertainment will be given in Metropolitan Opera House, Raleigh. From there the following towns will be visited on successive nights: Henderson, Tarboro, Norfolk, Suffolk, and Wilson, making a total of six concerts, after which the boys will return to the Hill in time for recitations on Monday, January 11th. Shortly after this the regular mid-winter concert will be given in Chapel Hill, and a possible trip during the Easter holidays is contemplated.

The Philological Club.

The regular November meeting of the Philological Club was held in the English room on last Tuesday night, President K. P. Harrington in the chair. All papers read were most interesting and instructive, and the meeting was as usual thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

The programme was as follows: "The use of the Final Verse by Catullus—Mr. Linscott.

Unity of Time and Place in *Le Cid*—Mr. May.

How to Use Die Hamburgische Dramaturgie—Mr. Toy.

On two verses of Tibullus—Mr. Harrington.

Mass Meeting.

The entire student body assembled in the Chapel on Tuesday night and collectively bade our foot ball team an enthusiastic God speed.

Mr. D. B. Smith was made chairman of the meeting. The team and Coach Johnston were escorted to seats of honor and all called on for a speech. The members of the team responded heartily and cheerfully, and it is needless to add that their every utterance was vociferously applauded. Prof. Gore was present and responded to the calls with a nice little speech of cheer and encouragement for the team.

This kind fellow feeling affected the team and we have no doubt caused them to play harder on last Thursday than they otherwise would have done.