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Base-Ball.

The Outlook is Promising.—Stanley Will Return to Captain the Team.

Although the present weather conditions are not such as to make one think with pleasure of a hot game of baseball still the low state of the temperature cannot keep down undergraduate speculation on the team of '97. The uppermost thought in the athletic mind ever now is "what sort of a team are we going to have this year; will it come up to the standard set by last year's champion team?" It is too early yet for any definite forecast but at first flush the prospect seems bright.

Stanley will be back in a few days to lead the team with his superb playing and ready judgement. Johnston will again be at third base and Winston at first. Thus the diamond will be as last year with the exception of second base. For this position it is understood that Whitaker will try, coming in from centre. There is doubt yet as to Pearsall and Bailey's return. Should they come back the battery will be unchanged as Hill is certain to return.

For the outfield positions all of which are open there will be a great deal of competition. The freshmen are said to have several men of baseball experience who are destined to become stars; and then there are many others.

Taken all together then our first proposition is justified, the prospect seems very bright. The invincible infield of last year remains almost intact with abundant material to make up the outfield.

The advisory board has determined its policy and partially arranged the schedule of games. This will be published in the TAR HEEL as soon as completed.

Death of Edwin W. Martin.

Many of the Alumni of Bingham School and of the University will read this announcement with great regret. No young man of my acquaintance here has had a larger share of the esteem of his fellow students nor a warmer attachment of his more intimate friends than Mr. Martin. His fellows were quick to see in him the student, the friend, the gentleman, and a stranger from a distant State, he met a cordial welcome here.

He was the founder of the "Hellenian," and of the Order of Gimgouls, and was a member of the A. T. O. fraternity.

He died at his home in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and I am informed that among his last words was a message to his friends of the University of North Carolina.

He graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Law under Dr. Manning, resided in New York city for awhile, but returned to his native State, where he lived till the time of his death.—*Chapel Hill correspondence Raleigh Observer.*

Alabama Letter.

UNIVERSITY ALABAMA,
Dec. 19, 1896.

TO THE TAR HEEL:—

The University of Alabama opened on the first Wednesday in October with bright prospects. The law class is the largest that has ever matriculated. The student body is about the same size it was last year. Hitherto—at least since the late war—the University has been a strict military school, having at one time worn the soubriquet of the "West Point of the South." This year, however, the trustees granted exemption to the Seniors, not allowing them to board in barracks and putting them on the same plane with the law students. The Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshmen are in barracks and under strict military discipline as heretofore. The plan is working admirably.

Somewhat of a damper was cast over our athletics this year by the trustees refusing to permit any of our teams to travel. Still we started out to do the best we could under the circumstances in football, having some splendid material and Wagenhurst, of Pennsylvania, for a coach. Near the beginning of the season we lost several of our best men. Two had their collar bones broken at a time most unfortunate for us. In consequence of this we were forced to cancel some of our dates, so we played only three games during the season, two of which we won. The total score is 56 in our favor and 10 against us. We owe lasting gratitude to Coach Wagenhurst whose tireless efforts made the above score possible, despite the fact that the fates seemed against us. Class rivalry in football has been at the highest. So far three inter-class games have been played by different classes with the unprecedented result of three tie scores of 0 to 0. No class has made a single score in any inter-class game!

We have splendid prospects for a baseball team this year and we expect to sustain our reputation in that line. A gigantic petition will be presented to get permission for our team to travel and it is hoped it will be granted. Anyhow, we have one of the finest diamonds in the South and the 8,000 inhabitants of Tuscaloosa patronize this game in an encouraging manner, so other colleges cannot do better than to arrange games on our campus. Our gymnasium team with the aid of the glee club will give an exhibition in the opera house soon after Christmas. The old University is "keeping up with the procession." Barrack life binds students together with bonds of loyalty and common interest so that college spirit flourishes in our midst. Theoretically the University makes no pause for Christmas, but practically most of the students will take advantage of the ten days furlough granted them when requested by a letter from their parents. With best wishes,

Crimson—White.

Chapel attendance at the University of Chicago has been made compulsory one day in the week. Since the institution first opened the attendance has been optional, and as a result but a small per centage of the students has attended. On Monday the Junior class is required to attend; Tuesday the Seniors attend; Thursday the divinity students; Friday the graduates.

Tulane Letter.

NEW ORLEANS,
Dec. 13, 1896.

TO THE TAR HEEL:—

Affairs at the University this year have been very encouraging. The students have at last realized that it is only through the efforts of each individual that any college organization can succeed.

Our football season came to a successful close with the game with Oxford on Thanksgiving Day. The result of the game was very gratifying and amply rewarded those who had worked so conscientiously throughout the season. The year began with by no means cheerful prospects; the material at hand was new, inexperienced, and light, but the boys never lost courage, and through the faithful work of coach, captain and members of the team we succeeded in winning two out of the four games played.

The great topic under discussion at present is the proposed football game with the Yale consolidated team on New Year's Day. This team is composed of several of this year's Yale squad and is considered a strong team. Our team will go into training shortly and will endeavor to teach the Northerners a thing or two, if such indeed is possible. The game will be a great social event and the athletic association hopes to free itself of the large debt which has been hanging over its head for some time past.

The weather is so warm that the classes have decided to organize their class baseball teams in January and play a series of twelve games. This will help greatly the Varsity which promises with the assistance of an efficient coach to be one of the best that has ever represented the University. The concert of the Glee Club on December 11th was a great success both socially and financially. A Bi-Metallic Club has lately been organized for the purpose of studying the monetary question. In other fields the students are taking great interest and everything appears to be progressing.

College Spirit.

The New Wood Arrangement.

Without doubt the new arrangement for supplying the college with wood is one of the most beneficial improvements that has been made here for some time. The Electric Power Company supplies the wood, all sawed one length, at a cheaper rate than it can be obtained elsewhere. In fact the saving is something like sixty cents on the cord. In addition to this several students are given work sawing the wood, and the unsightly chip and wood-piles are removed from the campus. Dr. Alderman and Prof. Gore deserve the thanks of the student body for originating this new scheme.

Casper Whitney believes Georgia is more entitled to the championship of the South than Virginia for Georgia has played more Southern games and has not suffered a defeat.

Gov. Russell's Private Secretary.

A Chapel Hill Man Honored.

It gives the TAR HEEL pleasure to announce that Mr. Joe. E. Alexander, of the class of '95, is to be the private secretary of our new Governor. Mr. Alexander, as Secretary of the Republican State Committee, did good work for his party in the recent campaign and this position of honor is a fit recognition of his service and labor. The older men in College will remember Mr. Alexander as the successful manipulator of college politics and it seems that he has been very successful elsewhere on a much larger scale.

It is a source of satisfaction to us to know that Mr. Alexander is in Raleigh, for in the fight the enemies of higher education are now making we feel assured that there will not be a more zealous or untiring friend and advocate of the old University and what it represents.

We congratulate Mr. Alexander and rejoice at his success.

A Delightful Evening at Prof. Gore's.

On Saturday evening, Dec. 26, Professor and Mrs. Gore gave a reception to those students who remained on the Hill for the holidays. Mrs. Marriat, Mrs. Gore's sister, and Miss Dot Manning, assisted in receiving.

After some delightful songs, rendered by Mrs. Gore, Mrs. Marriat, Dr. Mangum and others, we all marched out to partake of four or five courses of most elegant refreshments.

Mrs. Gore is a charming hostess; she is as vivacious and full of fun as any young lady. Everyone expressed himself as having spent a pleasant evening indeed.

Resolutions of Respect.

WHEREAS, God in his omniscience has seen best to take from us our fellow-member and co-worker, Mr. J. C. Abbott, therefore be it

Resolved. 1st, that we, in humble submission to his divine will, accept this seeming chastisement in full belief that it is for our eternal good.

Resolved. 2nd, That in his death the Philanthropic Literary Society has lost one who ever had its interests at heart and who exerted himself for its well being.

Resolved. 3rd, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Society, a copy published in the TAR HEEL, a copy sent to his county paper, and a copy sent to his bereaved family.

H. P. HARDING
P. H. Eley
W. E. Cox

Committee.

The professors in the great Western University, El-Azhur, at Cairo, Egypt, receive only voluntary gifts for their services. Thousands of students sleep and eat in the open court of the building.