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We are indebted to the Atlanta Constitution for the cuts of the Ga.-N. C. debaters used in our last issue.

Now that the base-ball season has opened the TAR HEEL will have something to publish each week. Ever since the foot-ball season closed the most of the time of the editors has been taken up not in writing but in trying to think of something to write.

The lecture by Eli Perkins Saturday night was rather a disappointment to all who attended. His high reputation as a humorist brought out a large crowd, but the lecture by no means justified his reputation.

We publish this week a partial schedule of the class games this season. The rest will be arranged later. It seems to us that the different classes are showing very little interest in their teams this season. There has been little training done by them so far. Unless they come out pretty soon their playing will be worse than that of the Senior foot-ball team last fall.

The showing made by the team in Saturday's game was very good for a starter. The players kept their heads well throughout, and errors were comparatively few for the first game.

Of course we can't tell much about a team until it meets its match. Self confidence, the staunchest support the players have, often deserts them in that hour. Let the men not be too much elated over the first few victories they may gain; the test comes at the last.

## Meeting of Shakspeare Club.

The monthly meeting of the Shakspeare Club was held in Gerard Hall on last Tuesday evening, with quite a large attendance. The President, Dr. Hume, called the meeting to order at 7:30 o'clock.

The first paper was read by Mr. F. M. Osborne, his subject being, "Sources of 'As You Like It'." Mr. Osborne showed how Chaucer's "Cooke's Tale" existed only

in manuscript form, until after Shakspeare wrote "As You Like It," and so probably it was not used in the composition of the latter. It was further shown that Lodge's novel "Rosalynde" did largely serve Shakspeare in the preparation of "As You Like It," the former being influenced by "The Cooke's Tale;" Shakspeare left the main incidents of Lodge's novel intact in his play, eradicating all unpleasantness, and presenting in "As You Like It" a pastoral story, unmarred by any unhappy features, and having added to it many amusing features which "Rosalynde" does not contain. Shakspeare "took the dry and heavy sand of Lodge and made gold out of it."

Mr. J. G. McCormick was the next reader who aptly showed "Jacques As He Is." The French transformation of the melancholy one, as attempted by G. Sand in "Comme il vous plait" was commented on, and the misconception in it was strongly drawn. "Jacques" was shown to be a misanthropist, moody and satiated with excessive immorality.

The next paper, theme "Desdemona," by Mr. E. L. Abbott, was a subtle comparative analysis of the fair Venetian's character.

The philological significance of Desdemona's name were discussed, showing how prophetic it is of her "ill-starred" and "unfortunate" career. A worthy comparison was made with the "Elaine" of Tennyson. Desdemona's Purity, Mr. Abbott showed, caused her downfall, together with slight prevarication, her only fault.

A most original handling of a study in jealousy was next dealt with by Mr. F. S. Faison, Jr., his subject being "Dramatist and Novelist," in which he compared the jealousy displayed by "Othello" with that of "John Storm" in Caine's "The Christian." The difference in character and temperament of "Desdemona" and "Glory" was nicely shown, the former being all purity and innocence, while the other possesses "a spirit of deviltry." "Othello's" jealousy demands an entirely different culmination than does "Storms," the latter is appeased when "Glory" shows her love for him, but "Othello" thinks he is in duty bound to kill his loved one.

The meeting was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

## The New X-ray Machine.

The University has just purchased a new X-ray machine. It is one of the best and largest machines to be had. It has a twelve inch spark coil and all the most modern improvements. The rays are of sufficient power to penetrate the human body.

The electricity for the machine is generated by the electric light dynamos. Prof. Gore has made connections with his laboratory and the infirmary, so that the machine can be used for medical purposes as well as for class demonstration.

## Schedule of Class Games.

The following class base-ball games have been arranged for the following dates.

Phar. vs Soph.—Mar. 19 A. M.  
Fresh. " Jun.—Mar. 26 "

Phar. vs. Law—Apr. 2 a. m.  
Sen. " Soph.—" " P. M.

All games not provided for will be arranged by the managers of the respective teams.

All men who play for either Varsity or Scrubs after Mar. 16. will be ineligible to play on any class team.

P. D. GOLD, '98.  
BROADHURST, '99.  
F. W. BRYAN, '00.  
L. HUMPHREY, '01.  
C. GRUVER, Phar. } Managers.

## Prof. Holmes on the Resources of Eastern North Carolina.

Last night Prof. Holmes lectured in the Chemical lecture room on the Resources of Eastern North Carolina. This was the first of a series of lectures Prof. Holmes will deliver from time to time on the State's resources. Last night he illustrated his talk with stereoptican views of river, farm, and fishery scenes. The lecture was interesting as well as instructive.

## Vanderbilt Letter.

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The all absorbing topic in Vanderbilt circles is base ball and track athletics. Base ball prospects were never brighter for a winning team. With one exception, every man of last year's team returned, and there is abundant new material to choose from. We are looking forward with interest to the two games with Penn. on April 8th and 9th. D. L. Merritt is captain of the team and F. C. Rand manager.

The weather as yet has permitted no track work. Though two of our record breakers will not be with us this year, we expect their places to be amply filled by new men. We will send a large delegation to the meet in Atlanta. E. M. Underwood is captain and D. L. Miller manager of the team.

In the Annual Indoor Contest four records were broken—a good forecast for Field day.

The final game of Basket Ball League, composed of four departments, will be played tomorrow. This game has become very popular here, and we hope soon to meet teams from other colleges.

A Dramatic Club has been organized and is on a firm basis. It expects to present a play this session.

The S. I. C. Oritorical Association meets with us in May. We hope to receive representatives from every college in the Association. Mr. N. F. Cheairs is our representative.

Negotiations for another series of debates with Sewanee are in progress. Mr. c. W. Strocher will be one of the debaters.

The Glee, Mandolin, and Guitar clubs made a very successful trip north during the holidays. Several concerts have been given in neighboring towns since.

Past success in tennis is causing renewed interest with the advent of spring. We are lending our efforts towards forming a Tennis Association among Southern Colleges. (Push this Association movement along in your college.)

The number of students enrolled this year is 750.

Yours truly,  
The Hustler.

Mr. W. C. Curtis, '01, is confined to the University hospital with the measles.

## Meeting of the Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society.

The Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society held its regular monthly meeting in the Chemical Lecture Room Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. J. K. Pratt, of Yale, now connected with the North Carolina Geological Survey, who is making a study of the minerals of North Carolina, read a very interesting paper on the Origin of Corundum. The theory proposed by Dr. Pratt as to the origin of corundum was that the corundum was held in solution by a molten mass of dunite when it was intruded in the country rock and that it separated out among the first minerals as the mass began to cool.

After a few remarks by Prof. Holmes and others upon the subject of this paper, Mr. W. A. Ashe, also of the Geological Survey, made an interesting talk on recent forest fires which have been laying waste the great pine belt in the southern portion of this State.

He estimated that fully \$300,000 damage was done to the trees alone in addition to the loss of several lives. It was shown that the only way to prevent the vast forest fires from occurring every few years was not to let them get started, for when once started they could only with great difficulty be put out. Mr. Ashe said that if these fires could be held in check for a period of ten years, allowing the young growth to attain some size, they would be effectually checked for a long time to come. The fine wire grass would be choked out by the growth of the pines since it cannot exist in the shade, and thus the main cause for these fires would be removed.

The reading of the next paper on a case of stream adjustment near Chapel Hill by Prof. Cobb was postponed, till the next meeting as the hour for the meeting was already consumed.

The meeting was then declared adjourned by the President, Prof. Gore.

## A Work of Art.

The painting recently presented to the University by Mrs. Chas. F. Deems of New York has been hung in the Chapel in the central panel behind the rostrum.

The subject of the painting is St. Michael Casting the Dragon (Satan) out of heaven. It is a copy of a painting by Guido Reni which hangs in the Church of the Capuchins in Rome, and is said by competent judges to be a very fine copy.

To appreciate the picture it is advisable to read the 10th chapter of Daniel and the 12th chapter of Revelations.

The picture appears especially well at night under the electric light. It will be one of the principal attractions for visitors to the University, as there is said to be no finer piece of art in the state.

Hon. W. G. Peckham, of New York, owner of University Inn, is on the Hill. He lectures before the Law Class today (Tuesday) on International Law. He is at present Visitor to Harvard on this subject. While here Mr. and Mrs. Peckham have been the recipients of many social courtesies.