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It is gratifying to us to see the interest taken in our base-ball games by the Alumni of the University and people in general of the State. Quite a number from Raleigh, Greensboro, Durham and other neighboring towns came to see the game with Virginia Saturday.

We publish in another column the program for Commencement. A new feature this year will be the address before the School of Law. This address will be delivered by the Hon. Thomas C. Fuller, LL. D., of Raleigh. It will come off on Monday, which has heretofore been a dull day in Commencement week.

The address on Wednesday by the Hon. Hannis Taylor, of Mobile, will be of special interest because Mr. Taylor was minister to Spain during Mr. Cleveland's administration, and is as well up on the Spanish situation as any man in America.

The laying of the corner stone of Alumni Building on the afternoon of the same day will be conducted by the Grand Lodge of Masons, and will, no doubt, be a very imposing ceremony.

On a whole the Commencement exercises this year promise to be more interesting than any we have had for some time.

THE showing made by our track team Saturday was rather poor—at least, in number of contestants. The TAR HEEL has tried this year to encourage this line of athletics in the University. The first of the season found a good many out every evening training, but interest soon waned and the number gradually dwindled down to a very few.

Now this is a branch of athletics that ought to receive more attention at the University, for there is none more beautiful and nothing that tends more than field sports to an all round development of the body. We have every facility here that is necessary—good track and well-fitted gymnasium; and there is no reason why the University should not put out a strong track team every year.

We believe that a good deal more interest could be aroused in track athletics if the Advisory Committee would arrange for us to have contests with other colleges. They have already made a move towards stimulating it in the schools, now

let them encourage it in the University.

The rain Saturday came as a great disappointment to the large crowd that had gathered on our athletic park to witness the base-ball game between Virginia and Carolina. The records made by the two teams had led all to believe that the contest would be close and hard-fought. The first two innings confirmed this belief, and when the game was broken up in the first half of the third inning everybody knew they had been knocked out of seeing a fine exhibition of ball playing. And they were all the more disappointed because everything in the first two innings indicated that the game was Carolina's. Though Virginia made one run and we made none, it was plainly evident that ours was the superior team. Lawson struck out four men, Somersgill none; Carolina got three hits, Virginia not a one. As for Lawson's pitching, it was superb. There hasn't been anything like it on our diamond in many a day. He had the Virginians completely at his mercy. They just couldn't find him. We feel safe in saying there is not a pitcher in the South today that can be compared to him. And the batting—as usual our men started out with the evident intention of batting the pitcher out of the box and they were making the Virginians open their eyes too.

We believe we have the best team this year we have ever had. It has no weak points about it—they are strong and stronger.

Debaters in the Di. Society.

The debater's contest in the Dialectic Society came off Monday night. The query was "Resolved, that the Present Jury System ought to be Abolished." The medal was awarded to Mr. C. C. Brown. The judges were Dr. Battle, Prof. Gore, and Prof. Williams.

Some of our College Annals.

Washington-Lee—"Calix."
V. M. I.—"Bomb."
Univ. of Miss.—"Ole Miss."
Univ. of Georgia—"Pandora."
Emory College—"Zodiac."
Mercer University—"Kaneito-scope."
Univ. of Virginia—"Corks and Curis."
Ala. Polytechnic Institute—"Glomerata."
Univ. of Texas—"Cactus."
Vanderbilt Univ.—"Comet."
Tulane Univ.—"Jambalaya."
Sewanee—"Cap and Gown."
University of Ala.—"Corolla."
Ky. Univ.—"Cecropean."
Johns Hopkins—"Hullabaloo."
Univ. Arkansas—"Cardinal."
Univ. N. Carolina—"Hellenian."

Ex.

At Athletic Park.

A Sophomore sat beside her
They gazed upon the game
He explained and she was silent
As he called each play by name.
She had mastered ancient Hebrew
She was fluent in the Greek
And to a heathen Hottentot
With perfect ease could speak.
"You are silent," said the Sophomore,
"Does learning give you pain?
And is the Tower of Babel
A burden to your brain?
She sighed. "That ancient turret,
In this late generation
For lack of baseball lingo
Has lost its reputation."

Program of Commencement.

SUNDAY, MAY 29TH.

11:00 A. M. Baccalaureate Sermon by the Rev. Wilbur F. Tillett, D. D., of Vanderbilt University.

MONDAY, MAY 30TH.

11:00 A. M. Address before the School of Law, by the Hon. Thos. C. Fuller, LL. D., of Raleigh.

8:00 P. M. Anniversary meeting of the Dialectic and Philanthropic Literary Societies in their Halls.

TUESDAY, MAY 31ST.

9:00 A. M. Senior Class forms in front of Memorial Hall and marches to the Chapel for prayers.

9:00 A. M. Meeting of the Board of Trustees in Person Hall.

12:00 M. Senior Class-Day Exercises. 1. Presentation. 2. Cheering the Buildings. 3. Exercises around the Davie Poplar.

8:00 P. M. Representatives of the Philanthropic and Dialectic Literary Societies.

10:00 P. M. Reception in Commons Hall by the President and Faculty.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1ST.

9:30 A. M. Meeting of the Alumni Association in Gerrard Hall.

11:15 A. M. Academic Procession forms in front of Gerrard Hall.

11:30 A. M. Commencement Exercises in Memorial Hall.

Orations by the Commencement Orators of the Senior Class.

12:30 P. M. Address by the Hon. Hannis Taylor, LL. D., of Mobile.

1:15 P. M. Conferring Degrees, Announcement of Honors, Prizes, and Appointments.

4:00 P. M. Laying of Corner Stone of Alumni Building. 1. Masonic Ceremonies. 2. Presentation of Building on behalf of the Alumni by the Hon. Julian S. Carr, '61.

Response on behalf of Trustees by the Hon. Francis D. Winston, '79.

8:00 P. M. Dramatic Club.

A Change of Editors.

Since our last issue Mr. P. D. Whitaker has resigned from the board of editors and Mr. H. M. London has been elected in his place. Mr. Whitaker has been faithful in his discharge of the duties of Athletic editor and we regret very much to lose him. Mr. Connor has been assigned to the Athletic department, and Mr. London will assist Mr. Gold in the local department.

Inter-Society Debate.

The annual inter-society Soph-Fresh debate will take place in the Hall of the Dialectic Society next Friday evening, April 29. The query is "Resolved, That Congress further restrict Immigration." The speakers are: From the Di. Society—Messrs. Reynolds, H., and Reynolds, J.; from the Phi. Society—Messrs. Baggett and Cowper. The judges are Dr. Hume, Prof. Cobb and Prof. Cain.

A large number of students went over to Durham today to see the game of ball between Trinity College and the Varsity.

F. S. Faison has returned to the University after a prolonged sickness.

The game with Trinity today was prevented by rain.

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