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Being as how Thursday will be a holiday, and as how the print shop force will very probably—odds seven and a half to two—be in a sad state of demoralization about that time, the able business manager of the Tar Heel with a clarifying perspicuity of perception decided that the publication should be published before that day. In his decision the board of editors acquiesced. For these reasons the sheet now appears.

On Thanksgiving Day the state University and the state College of Agricultural and Mechanic Arts will play the state University of Virginia and the Washington and Lee University of Virginia respectively. One plays in Richmond; the other in Norfolk—both in the enemy's territory, though North Carolina has many loyal sons and supporters in each place. A. & M., here's to you. May North Carolina prevail in both places.

The safe and sane mass meeting Friday night was of the right kind. There was no bon fire built to cook up enthusiasm, nor band present to stir it while being cooked. It was just a plain mass meeting of the students without any frills. The songs and yells were practiced. Then a few speeches were made reminding us of our duty to the team whether it be a winning or a losing one. The essence of it with regard to the fact that we have a good fight ahead of us was, "God Almighty hates a quitter."

It looks good to us to see these old Carolina players back on the Hill to help us get the team in shape for the Virginia game. It makes us begin to bubble with confidence. We like to think of the good old days when they were here playing and beating up everything that they ran against. We know that they by their presence and encouragement can make the team fight better and better; and we know that their advice to the men and their individual coaching of the men will have the right effect. The student body feels better when they see former Carolina players back helping coach the team. We know that the alumni as always are heart and soul with us.

WITH FLYING COLORS.

"Last year we expected to win and sent up four hundred men to see the game in Richmond; this year we are doubtful about winning and should send up eight hundred." Mr. Booker said this at the mass meeting Friday night and rapped the nail on the head when he said it.

It doesn't take much of a man to throw up his hat and shout when the returns are coming in right. Anybody with a hat and a mouth can do that. But it does require a little manhood to yell at the top of your voice and vociferate that your crowd is the best crowd on the face of the ball when the odds are against you.

The idea has got abroad among some that we are going to Richmond on a sort of forlorn hope. Funny how ideas get abroad isn't it? It seems that as soon as a man admits that he has a good stiff fight ahead of him everyone concludes at once that the man is beat. If he goes ahead and says that he is sure to beat, although he knows that there are going to be about fifty points against him to his none, then everyone catches some kind of a betting confidence in him, offers two to one odds on him, and winds up a hearty unsupporter of his erstwhile hero. But about that idea of the "forlorn hope"—everybody who knows the team knows that the "forlorn hope" supposition is a mere gaseous illusion, an airy fantasy, an empty nothing. An Alumnus of Virginia while talking to one of our athletic authorities in Greensboro said that if Carolina would fight against Virginia Thanksgiving like she did against Georgetown for the first half and against Washington and Lee for the first quarter, then Carolina was bound to win. She couldn't help herself. "Forlorn hope," say, fellows, I want a bag of peanuts.

Now, that's better.

Let's every drad rotted one of us, who can, go to Richmond and give the team our unlimited support. Now is the time that they need it. They are going up there and give those Virginians 'ell. We are going to have a fighting team on that day. Let's be there and see it.

Among some of the old men and many of the new, there seems to be a well-defined idea that grass was made to walk on, but that treading upon the paths is taboo. The paths are already there, they seem to think, and walking upon them will do no good. On the other hand, there are some spots of grass through which there are no paths. By walking upon the grass in these places regularly enough and persistently enough, these men hope to be able to add something to the received paths of the time, created new paths, and thus become constructive forces in the life here. This is probably the manner of reasoning which they would adopt if they should stop to think. But the majority of them do not stop to think about it. If they should stop to philosophize they would probably do as Hamlet did—nothing. We hope that since paths are made to walk on and grass to look at, that these devotees of the New Order of Path Makers will stop a moment, think, philosophize, and become inactive Hamlets so far as the pursuit of making paths is concerned. May they leave that to Orange county's next representative.

The Dramatic Club smoker Friday night was one of the most successful and one of the most thoroughly enjoyable affairs that have been pulled off here in some several time. Everybody there was happy. We ate and we laughed and we smoked; then we turned around and did it all over again. After that we smoked and laughed and ate. Then we did that again. Next we sought a new combination. Then we went in for permutations. Next mixed combinations and permutations indiscriminately and finally wound up by not caring in which order we did them just so they were done. On with the smokers; let joy be unconfined.

OUR COLORED SUPPORTERS.

The following was written by one of Carolina's most loyal supporters. He is the head waiter (colored) at the University Inn. If he can support the team like this, then what ought we, the students, to do? We publish it just as it was handed to us, without any alterations:

We are going to Richmond on thanksgiving day  
We are going Five hundred Strong  
if you think Virginia is winning that day  
You sure are thinking wrong

big Jones at center will open a hole the back's will rush right through  
We'll hit Virginia's line so hard her men will turn Pale and blue  
tilette at quarter a flying machine he sure does carry the ball  
he's been working hard with the team this year  
You must hand it to him that's all.

a Ray Ray for tayloe Boy's and all so Wakeley to  
a Ray Ray for the whole team  
Will be winners over the orange and blue.

Martin of Notre Dame a working coach  
he Sure Knows how to drill  
he's been teaching the boy's of U. N. C.  
to give those Virginians a Pill.

here's to the team and Student's to.  
let's win this game of ball.  
let's go to Richmond with Carolina Spirit  
and get the championship this tall.

Written by Fletcher Whitted, University Inn Waiter. Chapel Hill, N. C., 11-22-'12.

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