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The Collegian Again.

I read with deep interest "the Review of the Collegian" in the last RING-TUM PHI. The article was clearly misnamed. It should have been headed: "Faults we can find in the Collegian."

The author begins with the cover and goes all the way through without missing a single flaw. If he had given to the Collegian a small part of the time which he must have consumed in "reviewing" it, its standard might have been materially raised. He is evidently deeply affected by the sad mediocrity of our college journal. He even "shudders to contemplate the desperate straits of the editor." Yet, instead of coming to the rescue with his able pen, he seeks by his sneers to discourage the faithful few.

However, we do not think that he really meant to be taken seriously. He is simply fond of playing funny man and could not resist the temptation to work off a few of his choice jokes and quotations. As far as we are concerned the article would have passed unnoticed had not the author in his wild efforts to make some one laugh made some glaringly inconsistent and misleading statements.

In the first place any printer will tell you that there is no combination more difficult to place tastily on a cover than white and blue. If our critic would only look straight in front of him he might see that college spirit may be manifested in other ways than by displaying the colors. We have never heard President McKinley accused of treachery or lukewarm patriotism because he did not use red, white and blue ink when he wrote his annual message.

In the critic's heartless dissection of the poem on "Valentine's Statue of Lee," "It is not often we look for the softening lines of the heart in the features of the living and never in cold marble." "The heart has ever been accepted, both in prose and poetry, as a synonym for character. Where else would

the sculptor be likely to show the character of the great soldier than in his countenance?

"His heart was on his face where all might read it."—Bulwer.

Prosaic minds never able to rise above the literal cannot appreciate poetry and should not attempt to criticise it.

Further on we read that the compliment to the sculptor's genius is far too high, and only a few lines below that "Immortal statue to immortal dead" (the very highest compliment paid), is the best line of the verse. "Oh, consistency, thou art a jewel."

In regard to the article from Prof. Willis, we wish to say that it was only written after repeated requests from the editor. If such men as our esteemed critic had not shirked their duty we would not have been forced to call upon the faculty for help.

In closing we wish to make a slight revision of our friend's motto: "Our Collegian, may it ever be good; but good or bad, our Collegian." H. R. KEEBLE.

Miss Stuart's Dinner.

Miss Elizabeth Hope Stuart was the hostess at a delightful dinner party on Thanksgiving. Virginia hospitality was lavishly dispensed and the young people present certainly had cause to render thanks.

Dinner was announced shortly after 4 o'clock, and the guests partook of a bounteous feast. After dinner several hours were whiled away in pleasant conversation. But all too soon it was realized that the hour of departure had come. It was the wish of every guest that more such Thanksgivings might be added to their lives.

Those present were Misses Grace Glasgow, Edmonia Smith, Jo Allan and Hope Stuart; Messrs. Robert Sanders, Arthur Talb, John Anderson and Robert Crawford with his mustache.

Dr. Quarles delivered a lecture to the young ladies at Hollins on last Monday night, his subject being "Psychology."

Chapel.

On Wednesday morning a resolution of the faculty respecting the attendance on the weekly Chapel exercises was read by Chairman Tucker. The resolution placed attendance on this assembly under the same conditions as attendance upon classes—as a student is expected to attend his classes, so is he expected to attend Chapel of Wednesday morning, and if he persist in not attending will receive the same penalty which is attached to continuous "cutting" of classes.

Dr. Currell was the speaker of the morning and as usual entertained his audience highly. His address was on the subject of names—their derivation; and was humorous throughout. He had searched for the origin of every name on the University roll and stated the origin of nearly every one before his audience, thus keeping them much exercised for fear that the origin of their names might not be creditable.

He showed that some names were derived from places where the original bearers had lived; some from what the bearers had done; others from original christian names. The meanings of some of the names did not exactly correspond with their present bearers, but doubtless did at the time of their origination.

Dr. Currell's humor was much enjoyed and we wish we could hear from him oftener.

Let everybody be at Chapel next Wednesday.

University-Institute Calendar.

The ladies of the Grace Memorial church have prepared a very handsome calendar for 1901 which they are selling for the benefit of the church. It is in the shape of a folder, each alternate page containing a scene from the University or the Institute. The whole affair is elegantly and artistically gotten up, the pictures being half tones, and is quite appropriate for a Christmas or New Year's gift. Price 50 cents.

Miss Bettie Wilson has been visiting Miss Louise Baylor of Charles Town, W. Va.

Graham-Lee.

Graham-Lee was called to order promptly at 8 o'clock Saturday night. After the regular opening exercises Mr. Blain delivered an oration and Mr. Allen a declamation, they being the only ones in their respective classes that were present and had not given some worn-out excuse.

The debate on the question of increasing our navy waxed warm, though the negative needed the support of voluntary speakers to get the society on their side. Mr. Daniels opened the affirmative and Mr. McCluer the negative, and Messrs. Wall, Breckinridge, Lord, Tueten and Oberlin spoke, mostly on the affirmative. The closing of the debate was one of the best we have had this year. Mr. Daniels carefully clinched the four points the affirmative had made and the one the negative had proven, and the case was won—only to be torn to pieces by the retaliating thrusts of Mr. McCluer. In the heat of the excitement the negative carried the society by a small majority.

The changes in the constitution as revised were read and laid on the table for the necessary three weeks, when they can be printed and distributed generally among the members.

The president has shown great wisdom in appointing his officers. The censor especially is to be commended for enforcing more strict order in the hall.

Operation for Appendicitis.

An operation for appendicitis upon Robert Kolb was performed Tuesday by Dr. Reid White assisted by Drs. Glasgow and Davidson. The operation was very dangerous, and, the many friends of the patient will be glad to hear, successful, for he is now doing as well as could be expected.

Football Scores.

V. M. I., 5; V. P. I., 0.
Virginia, 18; Sewanee, 5.
Vanderbilt, 28; Central, 0.

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Owing to the approaching examinations this will be the last issue of the RING-TUM PHI before the holidays. We, therefore, take this opportunity of expressing the hope that our fellow-sufferers will pass through their exams. with success and afterwards enjoy a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Now that the football season is over more interest should be evidenced in the Literary societies, and the joint debates which were once such a prominent part of their work should be resumed. It would be a good idea to select the best debaters from each society by contests to form a University debating team. Challenges could be issued to the neighboring colleges and universities, and contests held. Nothing would do more to arouse literary as well as college spirit.

The Cadets gave their team an enthusiastic reception on its return from Roanoke. The whole corps met it at the train. The team was placed in carriages and amid fireworks and din of all kinds a triumphal march to the barracks was made. Then the hearts of the Cadets were made glad by a supper which General Shipp tendered them, at which were served all the good things that the season affords.

The result of the game between V. M. I. and V. P. I. on Thanksgiving day tied Virginia and the Institute for the championship of the South.

Hutcheson is a Kappa Alpha goat.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

The Football Season Ends.

Thanksgiving day, that delicious season when the prayers of the people are injudiciously mingled with fat turkey and long-haired knights of the gridiron take precedence over the monarchs and rulers of the universe, has come and gone. To those of us who accompanied the team to Charleston it has come but not gone for without doubt the memory of that great trip will linger in our minds for a long time to come and to each one of us the name of Charleston will bring back recollections of the kindness, courtesy and hospitality of its people, showered upon us in such profusion.

The day was ideal, cool and slightly overcast; the boys were in good condition though handicapped by the loss of sleep suffered the night before, and played with a snap that was surprising considering all the circumstances. Charleston society was out en masse and the field back of the lines where the rooters were banked was crowded with handsome traps. Everywhere the blue and white was flaunted with just a little crimson and white to make a contrast. The "calic"—well we can't tell about them, they are indescribable, but at any rate all of them were with us. So much for the stage setting, now for the play.

The game in the first half was a brilliant exhibition of scientific football. Our line was solid as rock and our backs made good gains, but C. U. after desperate efforts succeeded in crossing our line once. The Washington and Lee rooters were confident, however, and things looked pretty well when the half closed with the score 6 to 0 in favor of C. U.

In the second half, however, C. U. took a big brace and when the final reckoning came it was found that in this half they had piled up 17 points. The game abounded in long runs and brilliant tackles, the features being the long runs of Crow, Bledsoe and Swartz, and the all around good work of Reese and Robinson. The game in detail follows:

THE GAME IN DETAIL.

First Half.—Central University wins the toss and kicks off to W. & L's 4 yard line. Graves catches the ball and brings it back 10

yards. Two runs around left end brought the ball 8 yards nearer the centre, and a hole was made through centre for 2 more. Bledsoe then carried the pigskin forward 3 yards and Montgomery made 2 more when Central got the ball on a fumble.

Denny in three rushes regained 10 yards, Reese loses 2, and Denny is stopped in his tracks. W. & L. gets the ball, fails to gain and punts. Central again runs her F. B. for 3 yards, and her right for 3 more. Denny, F. B., then fails to gain, but Gilson carries the ball across two chalk lines, Reese cuts off 4 more, and Denny goes through the line 4 yards for a touchdown. Million kicks goal.

Central 6, W. & L. 0. Time 8 minutes.

W. & L. kicks off but the ball goes out, and on a second kick to 42 yard line, Denny returns 5 yards, Crow flies for 2 yards, Gibson goes forward 3, Denny fails to gain and W. & L. gets the ball.

Montgomery comes around Swartz' end for 3 yards, Bledsoe fails to gain, and Graves punts 25 yards.

Central comes back 5 yards, Reese crosses another chalk line, Gibson ditto, and Denny again is stopped in his tracks. W. & L. gets 10 yards on off side play. C. U. punts and Montgomery returns the ball 10 yards. Bledsoe makes a beautiful run of 30 yards on a trick play. Montgomery comes forward 2 and Bledsoe loses 3. Graves tries a drop kick for goal but is blocked and loses 20 yards.

W. & L. regains ball but loses 10 yards on off side play by Robinson. Montgomery, Thomas and Bledsoe make gains, but the ball goes over on an off side play.

Gibson circles the end 7 yards for Central, and then goes through right tackle for 3½. Reese makes another 7, and Denny in two bucks brings the pigskin 5 yards nearer our goal. Reese then comes around Bledsoe's end for 30 yards and is stopped by a good tackle by Swartz. Central loses the ball on a fumble and Robinson gets it. Bledsoe makes 2 yards, Swartz ditto, and on a double pass Montgomery adds 3. Foster then makes 8 yards, Swartz 8 and Foster 5 more, when time was called.

W. & L. 0; Central 6.

Second Half.—Washington and Lee kicks off to the 30 yard line, and Foster prevents Central from advancing. Gibson circles the end for 15 yards, Denny comes through the line 8 yards, Reese does not gain, Gibson cuts off 3 more yards, and Reese crosses another 5 yard line. Then Crow makes a beautiful run of 47 yards, Gibson circles the end for one more, and Denny carries the ball over the distance which separated him from goal line. No goal.

C. U. 11; W. & L. 0.

Graves kicks to the 35 yard line and Central returns the ball 8 yards. Reese comes around left end 5 yards, makes 7 more through the line. Denny goes forward 5 yards, Reese makes 7 more, Gibson sweeps the end for 13, and Denny charges the line for 2. Reese fails to gain, Denny gets 5 yards. Reese again tries and gets 12, Gibson raises him one and gets 13, and Denny gets 2 more. Gibson makes 7 yards, Reese 4 and Denny 4. Reese and Gibson each take another 10 yards, Schropsee carries the ball over the goal line.

C. U. 17. W. & L. 0.

The last touchdown was made in the same way as the others. There were no phenomenal runs or plays, Central being forced to fight for every inch of the ground. By a series of short end runs and line bucks the ball was again carried over the goal line. Goal was kicked and the game closed with a score of Central 23, W. & L. 0.

The line-up:

W. & L. U.	Position.	C. U.
Allen	centre	Wilson
Hutcheson	right guard	Young
McNulty	left guard	Andrews
Stewart	right tackle	Blades
Eells	left tackle	Schropsee
Swartz, Smith	right end	Sanders, Capt.
Bledsoe, (Capt)	left end	Crow
Graves	quarter back	Million
Foster	right half back	Reese
Montgomery	left half back	Gibson
Robinson	full back	Denny
Umpire—Spliman. Referee—Anderson		
Linesmen—Hall, McCord, Timekeepers—Chatham and Goshorn.		

Many of the Virginia College "calic" were in town today.

Did you see Bobby doing that cake walk.

Classes in gymnasium work will be organized very soon.

On the return trip home Foster was elected captain of the football team for 1901. We congratulate the team on its choice. No better man could have been selected.

Personals.

Miss Conrad is visiting at Blaudome.

Misses Dunlap and Goshorn are the guests of Miss Moore.

The Misses Berry and Miss Clayton are the guests of Prof. Burk's family.

A banquet will be given tonight to Mr. Wertenbaker by the football team.

Thanksgiving Dance.

On last evening the regular Thanksgiving dance was given by the Cotillion Club in the gymnasium. In the early part of the evening a german was danced, which was skilfully led by Mr. T. N. Jones, but at the request of the large number of "stags" the german soon gave way to a "hop" which was kept up until a late hour.

No more successful dance has ever been given by the Cotillion Club, its success being largely due to the number of visitors, without whom a dance at this time would have been almost impossible.

Those present were Miss Brockenbrough of Lexington, with Mr. S. C. Bagley, Tenn.; Miss Nellie Brockenbrough with Mr. Osborne, Va.; Miss Houston of Lexington, with Mr. Bridges, Md.; Miss Dunlap of Roanoke, with Mr. C. R. Robinson, Ky.; Miss Goshorn of Charleston, W. Va., with Mr. Pettet Robinson, Ky.; Miss Berry of Bedford City, with Mr. J. W. Bagley, Tenn.; Miss Abbie Berry with Mr. Goshorn, W. Va.; Miss Clayton of Bedford City, with Mr. Shields, Va.; Miss Conrad of Winchester, with Mr. Graves, Va.; Miss McGuire of Winchester, with Mr. Burks, Va.; Miss Sale of Bedford City, with Mr. Price, W. Va.; Miss Graham of Lexington, with Cadet Derbyshire, V. M. I.; Miss Bruce of Richmond, with Capt. Marshall, V. M. I., and Miss Mary Preston Graham of Lexington, with Mr. Waddell, Va.

Among the stags were Messrs. Hiter, Conrad, Jones, Dennis, Sale, Ring, McCluer, Lamar, Crawford, Larriek, Prof. W. R. Vance, Capts. Stockdale, Marrow and Wook of the V. M. I., and several Cadets.

The chaperones were Mrs. T. M. Semmes, Mrs. Brockenbrough, Miss Annie White, and Mrs. Walker.

Music was furnished by the V. M. I. band.

Too Late.

As we understand the schedule of examinations, the last examination in the academic department will come on Saturday. Owing to the backwardness of Lexington in the way of railroad facilities this is a very bad arrangement for those students who have to stand examinations on this last day. There is nothing to do but stay over here until Monday, and after roughing it for nearly all night get home about time for breakfast Christmas morning if he lives at a place at all distant.

Let the faculty consider how much this would mar the pleasure of Christmas day for us, and consult their personal feelings under the same conditions. Why not begin the examinations a day earlier? What is one day when the happiness of Christmas day at home is at stake?

University Directory.

General Athletic Association:—

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Baseball Team:—Manager, W. J. Lauck; captain, M. P. Andrews.

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Wash. Society.

The meeting of the Wash. Saturday night was well attended and considerable interest was displayed in the program, especially in the debate. The subject was Woman Suffrage. The question was ably debated on both sides. Whipple and Glasgow espoused the cause of the fair sex and strove with all the manhood in them to convince their hearers, but in vain. Sydenstricker, Spencer, and Jones spoke on the negative and won the debate.

Cooper's oration was excellent, as also was Barrett's.

The declamations were unusually good and deserved to be praised. Lamar's declamation from Kipling was generally pronounced to be the best of the year.

The following officers have been elected for the intermediate celebration: President, J. McC. Sieg; vice-president, W. P. Lamar; secretary, S. McP. Glasgow; orators, Rev. A. M. Hamilton's son, Alex., and Millen; debaters, Reese Barnett, F. E. Ellis, A. M. Duncan, Conner; chief marshal, C. S. McNulty.

The society is to be congratulated upon its selection of officers and speakers, and we look forward to a good celebration.

Editor Ring-tum Phi:

As an humble and faithful rooter on the side lines, I have viewed the past on the gridiron and am looking to the future on the diamond. The past was injured most by lack of college spirit in a few men. One or two, at least, could have added much to the game by their presence but they refused to the last to be moved by the earnest petitions of the student body. They had said "no" and they thought it was principle to stick to it.

The future, I think, will reveal a different story. From what I gather from one baseball player there will be too many active candidates for the team for any one man or men to be so important. What a blessing! Those who can play will play, and any obstinate material blocking the stream may be thrust aside and left behind in the onward sweep of the white and blue.

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