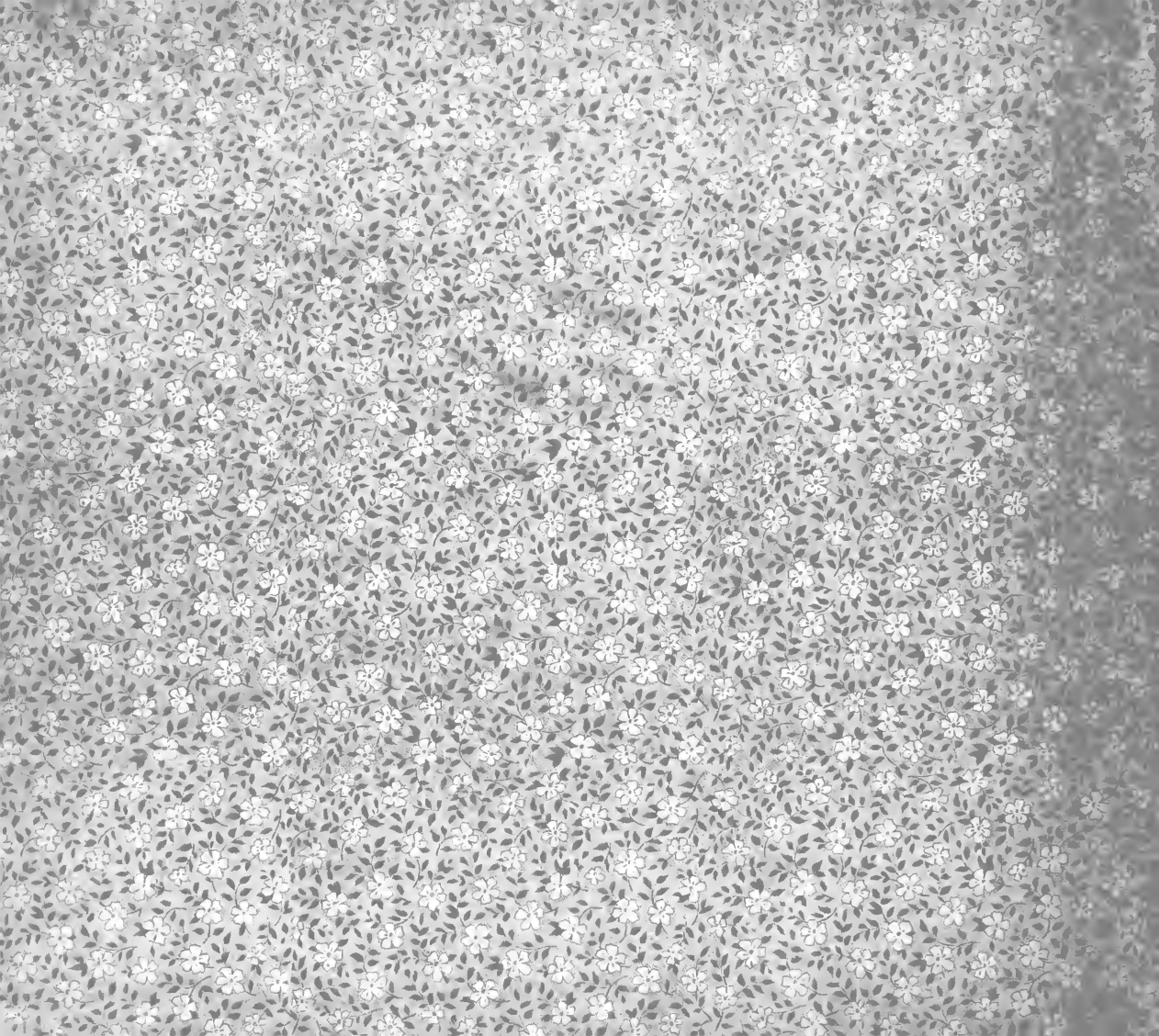
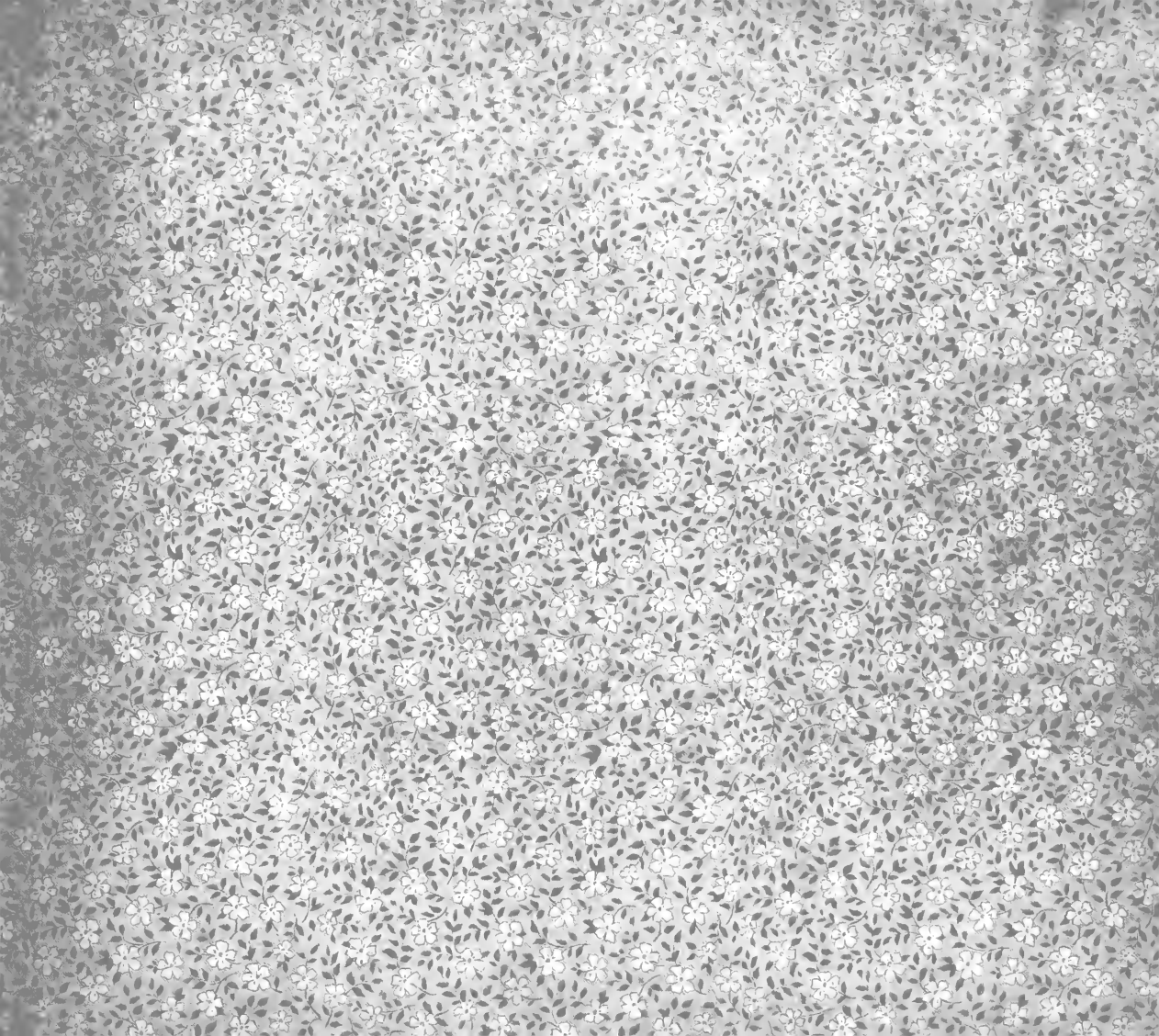




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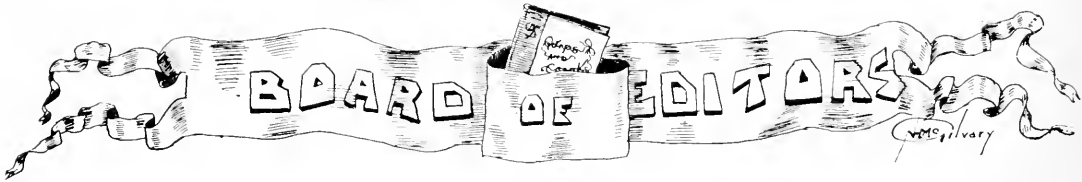
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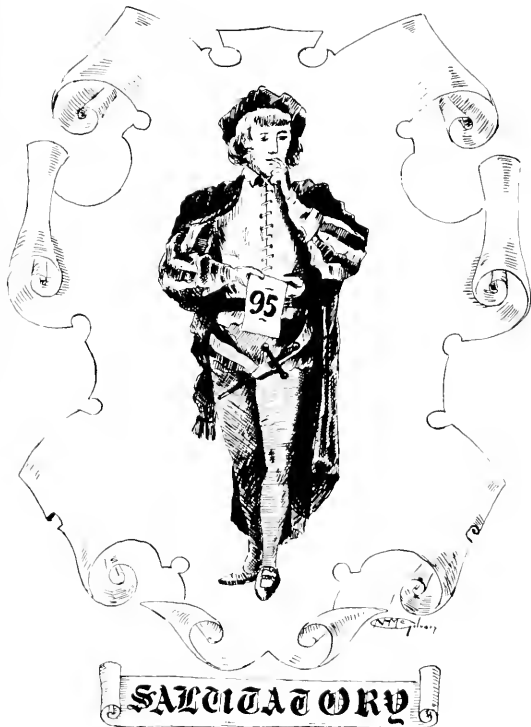
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## DAVIDSON COLLEGE.

THE Scotch-Irish Presbyterians who settled the Piedmont region of North and South Carolina deemed life, both individual and national, fatally incomplete if any one of its three essentials, Religion, Liberty and Education, was lacking. They built a chain of churches and classical academies from Virginia to Georgia. The most prominent of the latter in North Carolina were the Bingham School in Orange county, Dr. Caldwell's celebrated school in Guilford, Queen's College, afterward Liberty Hall Academy, in Mecklenburg, and Zion-Parnassus in Rowan.

In 1820 a general convention was held at Lincoln-ton, and the founding of "Western College" resolved upon. The new institution was to be a secular one, free from ecclesiastical control or oversight, but it was found impossible to harmonize such discordant elements and conflicting interests. After four years of zealous effort the project was abandoned, but the seed sown by its promoters bore fruit in a later and more successful enterprise.

On March 12, 1835, the Presbytery of Concord met at Prospect church, Rowan county, seven miles from the present site of Davidson College. "Taking into consideration the importance of a more general dif-

fusion of useful knowledge, and the expediency of adopting some system of sound and thorough education, and having heard with pleasure that the manual labor system, as far as it has been tried, promises the most happy results in the training of youth," the Presbytery unanimously resolved "to undertake (in humble reliance on the blessing of God) the establishment of a manual labor school." Committees were appointed to raise the necessary funds and to purchase a site. The latter committee selected and purchased a body of land comprising four hundred and ninety two acres, lying exactly on the crest of the water-shed between the Yadkin and Catawba rivers, which are here about fifty miles apart. At the next meeting of Presbytery on August 26th, the finance committee, consisting of Rev. R. H. Morrison and Rev. P. J. Sparrow, announced that since their appointment five months before they had raised the astonishing sum of \$30,392. The report was received with prayer and thanksgiving, and the following resolution adopted:—*Resolved*, That the manual labor institution which we are about to build be called Davidson College, as a tribute to the memory of that distinguished and excellent man, Gen. William

Davidson, who, in the ardor of patriotism, fearlessly contending for the liberty of his country, fell, universally lamented, in the battle of Cowans Ford."

On March 1, 1837, the new institution opened with sixty-six students. Dr. Morrison was President and Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy, Dr. Sparrow, afterward President of Hampden Sidney, Professor of the Ancient Languages, and Mortimer D. Johnston, of Jefferson College, Pennsylvania, Professor of Mathematics and the Natural Sciences.

Thus, fifty-eight years ago, the college was founded, the fruit of the prayers, sacrifices and consecrated zeal of the best educated men of the most highly educated section of the Carolinas. It is not our purpose to trace its long and illustrious career, nor to call the roll of its scores of distinguished alumni. Having described the founding of the college, let us examine its modern history more closely.

During the last ten years numerous improvements have been made, both in the courses offered and in the facilities for their successful prosecution, till, in the extent and thoroughness of the education it offers, Davidson College has hardly its equal in the Southern States. For the information of the older alumni we will enumerate some of the more important improvements.

A Professorship of English, with a four years' course, and one of the English Bible, with a three-years' course, have been established. The three libraries of the college and literary societies have been consolidated in the large library of the main building, and a permanent librarian employed. Two reading-rooms, one for religious the other for secular papers and magazines, have been fitted up and opened. A gas plant has been set up which furnishes gas to the

college laboratories and lights the center hall of the main building. Three new laboratories for students' work have been fitted up for the Departments of Electricity, Mineralogy and Quantitative Chemistry. The courses in Chemistry, Physics, Political Economy, History, Astronomy, Metaphysics and Meteorology have been much extended and improved. Second year courses have also been added in French and German.

The first Y. M. C. A. hall on a Southern campus was finished in 1890. It is named, in honor of the founder and first president of the college, Morrison Memorial Hall, is sixty-seven by forty-five feet, two and a half stories high, contains gymnasium, running track, assembly hall, parlor and reading-rooms, and is handsomely furnished throughout. The association of which it is the home is the most thoroughly organized college association, according to the statements of the intercollegiate secretaries, in the South. Between fifty and sixty of its members are ready at any time to conduct religious services, and more than half that number are actively engaged in mission work in the surrounding country.

In the facilities for physical training the advance has been equally marked. A large gymnasium, sixty-five by forty-three feet, has been erected and furnished, and a regular instructor employed. A general athletic association has been organized, and an annual field-day, the last Saturday in April, set apart for athletic contests. Lake Wiley, covering ten or twelve acres, has been constructed, within fifteen minutes' walk of the college. It is furnished with two bath-houses, six boats, a deep-water spring-board, and a water-toboggan slide over two hundred feet long. The baseball and football grounds have been leveled and



improved, and a quarter-mile running track constructed. A bicycle club has been organized, and the large drives of the campus have been connected by curved paths. This gives a roughly circular track for bicycle racing or practice nearly a half mile in length. A roller-skating club and a gun club have also been added to the list of athletic organizations. The latter has five traps located on college land not far from the campus. There are also eleven tennis courts in active operation on the college grounds.

The location of the college is midway between Charlotte and Statesville, on the A., T. & O. R. R. It has four trains a day, connecting at Charlotte with the Southern, the C. C. and the C. C. & A., and at Statesville with the W. N. C. R. R. The village has about eight hundred inhabitants, a handsome church and mission chapel, a flourishing classical academy of high grade, and no bar rooms.





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Entrance Examinations . . . . . Wednesday . . . . . Sept. 12th  
 Fall Term Began . . . . . Thursday . . . . . Sept. 13th  
 Thanksgiving Exercises . . . . . Thursday . . . . . Nov. 29th  
 Intermediate Examinations Began . . . . . Tuesday . . . . . Dec. 11th  
 Fall Term Closed . . . . . Friday . . . . . Dec. 21st  
 Spring Term Opened . . . . . Tuesday . . . . . Jan. 1st  
 Sophomore Banquet . . . . . Friday . . . . . Jan. 25th  
 Junior Orations . . . . . Friday . . . . . Feb. 22d  
 Day of Prayer for Schools and Col-  
 leges . . . . . Thursday . . . . . Fe' 28th  
 Eumenean Declaimers' Contest . . . . . Saturday . . . . . April 6th

Maxwell Chambers Day (Senior Ora-  
 tions) . . . . . Saturday . . . . . April 13th  
 Junior Entertainment . . . . . Monday . . . . . April 15th  
 Eumenean Prize Debate . . . . . Saturday . . . . . April 20th  
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 Athletic Day . . . . . Saturday . . . . . April 27th  
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 Senior Examinations Began . . . . . Tuesday . . . . . May 14th  
 Final Examinations Began . . . . . Monday . . . . . May 27th  
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 Class Tree Planting . . . . . Monday . . . . . June 10th  
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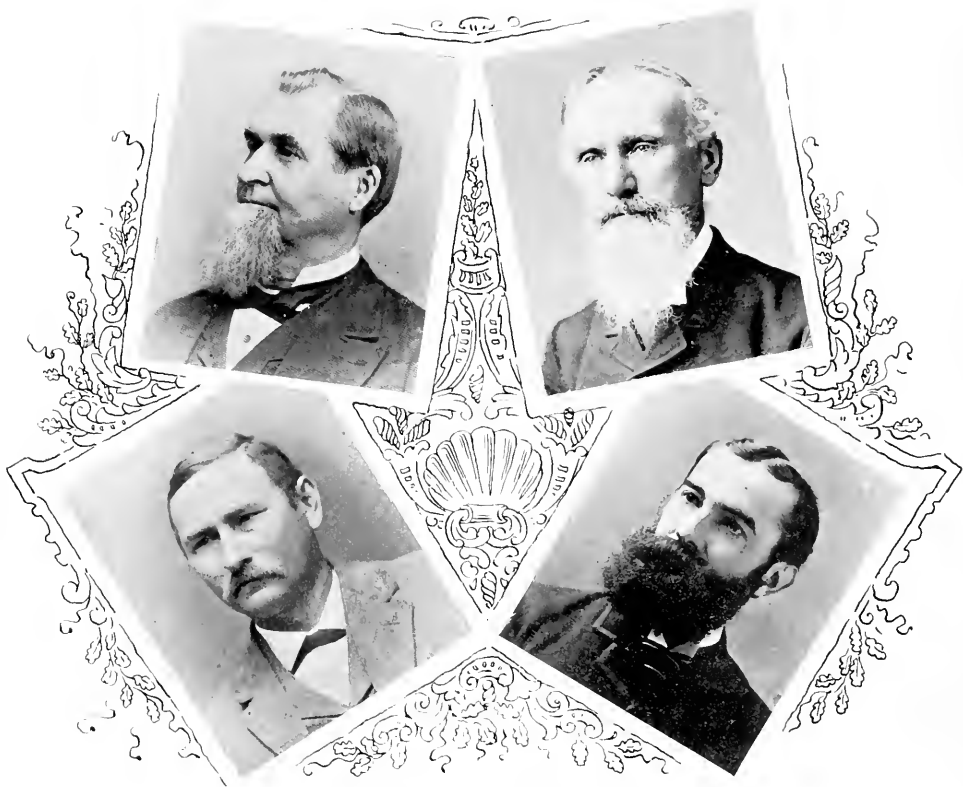
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war, and served throughout the whole war with conspicuous gallantry, except when laid aside by wounds. Resumed his chair at Chapel Hill till the closing of the university in 1867. Taught two years in Columbia, Tenn., was in 1869 elected Professor of Chemistry at Davidson, of which institution he has been for many years vice-president.

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Professor Vinson was born in Sumter county, South Carolina, in 1849. He was graduated at Washington and Lee University in 1872, with the degree of M. A., having won an honorary scholarship in 1869, the Robinson prize medal in 1871, and the Cincinnati Oration in 1873. During the year following his graduation he was instructor in Greek at the university. He accepted a professorship in the Waco Female College, Texas, which chair he filled till elected Professor of Mathematics at Austin College, Texas. In 1883 he was elected to the same chair at Davidson.

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Dr. Currell was born in Charleston, S. C., in 1858. He studied at Washington and Lee University as an undergraduate from 1875 to 1880, receiving the degree of B. P., A. B. and M. A. During the next year he was Instructor in Modern History and French in the university, and teacher in the Ann Smith Academy for

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*Professor of Greek and German.*

Dr. Harding was born in 1861, at Charlotte, N. C. Entered Davidson College in 1876, received the degree of A. B. in 1880. During the next year he was engaged in teaching. Between 1881 and 1887 he spent each alternate year at Johns Hopkins pursuing post-graduate work. From 1883 to 1885 he was Professor of Greek at Hampden Sidney College, Va., and between 1886 and 1888 was engaged in teaching at Kenmore High School, Kenmore, Va. In 1887 he received the degree of Ph. D. from Johns Hopkins, and in 1889 was elected Professor of Greek and German at Davidson.

HENRY LOUIS SMITH, A. M., PH. D.

*Professor of Natural Philosophy.*

Born at Greensboro, N. C., in 1859. Studied at Davidson from 1877 to 1881. Was awarded the Mathematical medal in 1879, the Greek medal, the Essayist's medal, and the degree of A. B. in 1881, and the degree of A. M. in 1888. Principal of the Selma Academy at Selma, N. C., from 1881 till 1887. Pur-

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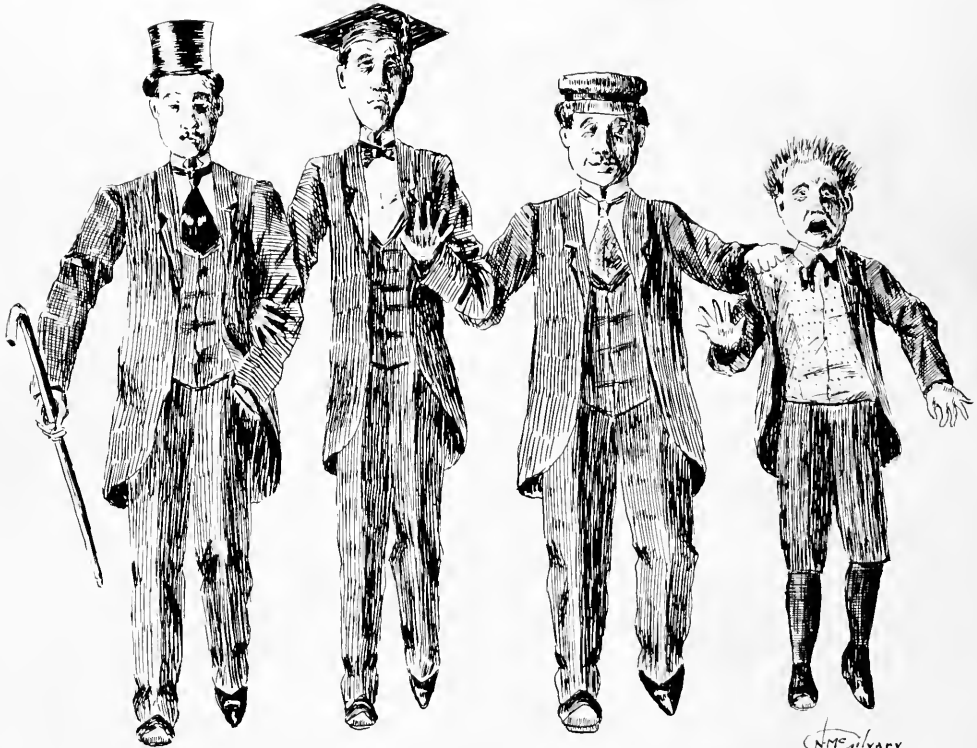
*Professor of Latin and French.*

Dr. Grey was born in 1858 in Union county, N. C. He entered Davidson College in 1880, and received the degree of A. B. in 1884, winning the Latin medal in 1883 and the Greek medal in 1884. During the session of 1885-6 he conducted the village academy at Davidson. In 1886-7 he had charge of the Mooresville Academy, and from 1887 to 1889 was at the head of high schools in Georgia. In 1889 he entered the University of Johns Hopkins, was awarded an honorary Hopkins scholarship in 1890, and the degree of Ph. D. in 1893. Immediately afterward he was elected Professor of Latin and French at Davidson.

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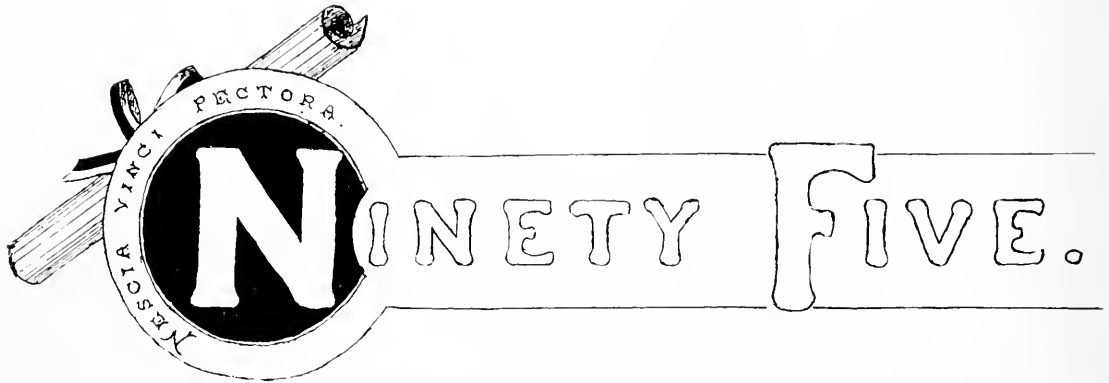
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'94-95; editor of Davidson Monthly '94-95; vice-monitor '95; vice president Phi Society '94.

WILLIAM CLARENCE UNDERWOOD, Hopewell, N. C., "Bushes." Eu.; Eu. representative at Commencement of '94.

FRANK HARPER WARDLAW, Darlington, S. C., "Ichabod." Eu.; Σ A E; vice-president Eu. Society '93-94; vice-president class '91-92; president '92-93; Declaimer's medal Eu. Society '93; president of Y. M. C. A. '94-95; member of glee club.

LUCIAN ELONZA WELLS, Wallace, N. C., "Sitting Bull." Phi; vice president Phi Society '93-94; Declaimer's medal Phi Society '93; president mission-band and candidates.

GEORGE DUDLEY WHITE, Rock Hill, S. C., "Acrobat." Eu.; K A; business manager of Quips and Cranks; member of college baseball team '94-95.

WILLIS WADE WILLIAMS, Mills River, N. C., "Lightning Rod." Phi.

EMMETT LEE WILSON, Guild, Ga., "Cicero." Eu.; declaimer's medal of Eu. Society '91; Eu. representative at Commencement '94; member of glee club.



## HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF '95.

The ancients tell us that when a historian begins to tell of past events, Clio, the muse of history, hovers over him to inspire his mind and guide his pen in truth and justice. Craving this aid, the historian of '95 has listened through two long hours for the still small voice of this deity, but the air is silent and his mind continues blank. He would not chastise her, for well he knows with what infinite patience she has striven to lubricate certain other rusty wheels and cause "to flow with steady stream" the course of three other historical and historic narratives. Without her aid, therefore, the history of '95 must be placed before the public.

In the beginning of the term 1891-92 there began to settle over the campus of Davidson College a greenish-tinged cloud, which slowly and steadily enveloped the "hill" as if the Olympians, attracted by our classic shades, wished to change the place of their abode and henceforth feast on tar instead of nectar. This, however, was not really the case, for when the cloud lifted and the sun again appeared there were discovered sixty-one "beings" disporting themselves lightly about the campus. It was supposed by all that they had been sent down by a special order of Jove, but since the oracle has been discontinued, of course none

could learn the true state of the case. For several hours this merry and unsophisticated crowd of strangers wandered thoughtlessly around, entirely oblivious of the fact that the earth was occupied and not entirely their own, until suddenly a horde of natives, commonly called Sophomores, rushed from "holes in the wall" and proceeded to remind the visitors that since they were on the earth they must become earthy.

Thus was ushered into the history of Davidson the class of '95, which, besides being the largest class that has assembled here for twenty-five years, is unique in several other particulars. When our college course began '95 put a man on the honor-roll, when our college course ends '95 will put the college on the honor-roll.

We as men were social beings; therefore after becoming pretty thoroughly acquainted helping each other wring clothes, pick off cat-tails and deodorize rooms, we proceeded to organize. *sub rosa*, electing Mr. S. W. McKee, president, Mr. F. H. Wardlaw, vice-president, and Mr. W. M. Fairley, secretary and treasurer. We expected that as soon as we had done this we could begin operations, remodeling the college, making new rules for the professors and electing a new body of trustees. Several suggestions were

made, but the members had managed to arrange themselves so that each looked (mentally) a different way from all the rest, and not one would consent to change, but insisted on following his own nose if it led him to the dread abode of Tartarus. The president appealed to us to break this magic spell and turn some pair of men in the same direction. Cicero (always looking his own way) rose first, and with burning eloquence, interspersed with vehement gestures, said: "Men, gentlemen, Freshmen: This [his way] is the way, the right way, the only way, and every other way leads another way, a wrong way, a different way from this way which leads to all the medals, for which I will give you a chance," etc., etc., *ad infinitum*, and with a polite bow took his seat. Then Brass arose with a clang and rattle, and, stamping his foot with great emphasis, said: "In but few words and with great deliberation, sirs, I shall disclose to you my deliberations as to the possibilities and probabilities of our ever reaching sufficient unanimity to proceed to any uni—" Here the reporter asked for time, and the Goat gave a cough which so agitated the house that the effect of Brass' eloquence was destroyed. Then came forward Solomon, of well-known wisdom, and said: "Aw now, eh, just yes, well, you see, we just must, eh, go some way and now I don't see any way but mine," and sat down 'mid thunders of applause.

As all seemed to be convinced that we could now go ahead, Deacon rose to make a motion, but was interrupted by the entrance of what seemed to be the grandfather of the college. Bowed and stricken he entered leaning on a student who had just returned from a flying trip to "Charlotte," and limping heavily because of his gouty pedal extremity, which he had

done up in cotton and enclosed in a number eleven carpet slipper. On closer inspection, however, it proved to be none other than Fox, who *happened* to be late. After this interruption it was moved to adjourn, but as a majority could not be secured it was decided to make a day of it. We were helped out of this dilemma, however, by the fact that there were wafted across the campus the first words of a very familiar ditty: "Oh, you Fresh, you had better lie low." For once a motion was unanimously carried by the class of '95. We voted by rising.

This meeting was the only event of importance during the year. Commencement came and went as commencements always do, and sixty Freshmen were planted in all the pomp and splendor of a "Thursday Night." These seed did not sprout men as quickly as the Dragon's Teeth of Cadmus, but when they did forty-six Sophomores was the result. No doubt these new-born creatures would have wrought dire destruction on each other had their violence not been turned into other channels. Since roast pig, chickens and guineas were not so plentiful as they once were, they ate one Freshman every night for supper until the cold weather began. It was suggested then that by treating them and their rooms (the Freshmen) with a certain sulphurous compound they would keep until spring. But the judgments of man are erroneous. While the appetites of the Sophomores of '95 were ruined by long fasting, the Freshmen, on account of their unusual freshness, were entirely spoiled and unfit for anything but to be planted for another crop of Sophomores. As the Sophomore year of the class of '95 began to wane, President Wardlaw called a meeting, in which we determined, with all due solemnity, that it was our duty to sow the seed for next

year's crop. On the Saturday night before commencement the spirit of Sophomority tore the class of '95, and as the evil spirit of old went into the swine, this one went into the class of '96, which immediately rushed into the ocean. They were not drowned, however, for they were tossed out by the indignant fish, who refused to cohabit with such compounds as Freshmen imbued with the spirit of Sophomores.

After vacation we returned forty-three strong, still the largest class in college.

When we were Freshmen we had tasted success in athletics, then we polished the diamond with the class of '94. In the session '92-'93 we had also put several victories to our credit. But never, during our college course, has there been such an athletic zeal as there was during the fall of '93. Football carried everything before it, and of course the class of '95 carried the football. We were very partial to the number twelve that year. When we played the Freshmen "12 to 0 favor '95" was written across the score card. Not long after this we played the Sophomores to the tune of 12 to 0, also; and since we could not arrange a game with the seniors we closed the year with the honor of being the only class against which no team had scored a point.

Athletic day, in the spring of '94, was as honorably gone through with as the football season had been. Although his opponents had magic slippers and winged feet, our indomitable Cicero won the championship for '95 by winning the highest number of events.

Ninety-five did not confine her efforts to athletics during this year, however, as her success would seem to indicate. She placed on the boards a minstrel troupe that surprised and delighted every audience

before which they showed. The actors were Mattie and Goat, end men, Cromo, manager, and Henry, Soul, Fox, Frank, W. W. (alias Lightning-rod) and Ham, sub-stars. This entertainment, given the Friday night before Maxwell Chambers Day, was one of the many new departures which have been made by the class of '95, and with which the world is already so familiar.

This, our junior year, though, with all its successes and victories, is darkened by a cloud that almost hides the brightness of the otherwise happy session. When we returned from the Christmas holidays, happy, light-hearted and careless, each student was chilled by the unusual quiet and surprised by seeing so many sad faces. With tearful eye and kindly accent each whispered to his neighbor, "Goetchius is dead." He had been at college only four months, having entered a Junior, and in that time had won respect from every mind and carved his name in the innermost recesses of every heart. A rose had been dropped into our midst and crushed, leaving a sweetness in the air that still pervades it. Its leaves we laid carefully away in a sacred spot, and engraved on his tombstone, the heart of each true son of '95, an epitaph in three short words, "We loved him." The grass grew over his grave, the wounds in our hearts healed over; but a mound is left in the little graveyard and a scar where our heart-strings were wounded.

The Junior year is over, and now we reach the last step of our evolution. We entered the college world a mass of unknown substance, surrounded by mouths whose duty it was to tell all history, past, present and future, and to explain away all sciences. By slow development we separated into individuals, and "per saltum" we reached the state called "sophos-moros."

The animals of this age had such enormous heads that were it not for the fact that they are perfectly empty they would be incapable of locomotion. After passing through an age of cataclysms, chaos and general crash, the class of '95 came out Juniors. These have much smaller heads, and an instinct to keep them shut, thus hiding the cavity which generally occupies the interior. With another leap, as remarkable as that made by the human animal when he changed from the anthropoid ape to man, we became Seniors, with all the necessary qualities of that class of animals except conceit, which quality seems to be entirely lacking in the whole class.

We now number thirty men, all of whom will no doubt graduate, owing to the fact that the faculty have put doors to all the halls in order to fasten us up

after 8 o'clock. They did this for our own good, for there has been let loose a certain wild Texas desperado in this vicinity, who has taken a vow to extract one lock of hair from the head of every student in college. It is thought—

Here the historian was interrupted by the death of Clio, who had come to his aid. The poor muse had "bitten off more than she could chew," and when she began to relate the deeds of this terrible man, her frail form failed for fear, and with a gasp she died.

It is only just to say that at one time this desperado was a member of the class of '95.

Since Inspiration is dead the history must stop. Thus endeth the first and last history of the class of '95.

HISTORIAN.







## CLASS ORGANIZATION.

T. D. JOHNSTON . . . . .	PRESIDENT
C. M. BAILEY . . . . .	VICE-PRESIDENT
W. E. CHAMBERS . . . . .	SECRETARY AND TREASURER
D. P. McGEACHY . . . . .	HISTORIAN



### MOTTO, COLORS, YELL.

*Motto*—Honos alit artes.

*Colors*—Silver and purple.

*Yell*—Heyyo! Heighyo!

Kelli kowee-kowak-kowix!  
 Hella-bullo-bolak-bolix!  
 What's the matter with '96?

# CLASS OF '96.

## FOR THE DEGREE OF A B.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	STATE.	NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	STATE.
William Barry Allison . . . . .	Tirzah . . . . .	S. C.	George McIntosh Matthis . . . . .	Clinton . . . . .	N. C.
Cad Mercer Bailey . . . . .	Clinton . . . . .	S. C.	George Madison Maxwell . . . . .	Davidson . . . . .	N. C.
Elbert Decatur Beaty . . . . .	Mooresville . . . . .	N. C.	James Edward Mills . . . . .	Camden . . . . .	S. C.
Henry Doc. Brown . . . . .	Tarboro . . . . .	N. C.	William Andrew Murray . . . . .	Greensboro . . . . .	N. C.
John Edmunds Brown, Jr . . . . .	Charlotte . . . . .	N. C.	Willie Everette Phifer . . . . .	Statesville . . . . .	N. C.
Willoughby Erwin Chambers . . . . .	Statesville . . . . .	N. C.	Daniel Kirby Pope* . . . . .	Croft . . . . .	N. C.
Charles Shedd Clifford . . . . .	Union . . . . .	S. C.	Elisha Pender Porter . . . . .	Rocky Point . . . . .	N. C.
John Witherspoon Dodge . . . . .	Jacksonville . . . . .	Fla.	Frederic Finger Rowe . . . . .	Conover . . . . .	N. C.
Walter Espy Furr . . . . .	Sunny Side . . . . .	N. C.	Patrick Alexander Stough . . . . .	Davidson . . . . .	N. C.
Arthur Lee Gaston . . . . .	Chester . . . . .	S. C.	John Grier Varner . . . . .	Mill Bridge . . . . .	N. C.
Thomas Dabney Johnston . . . . .	Elizabeth City . . . . .	N. C.	Thomas Henry Watkins . . . . .	Henderson . . . . .	N. C.
Charles Howie Little . . . . .	Martindale . . . . .	N. C.	Robert Murphy Williams . . . . .	Taylor's Bridge . . . . .	N. C.
George William McPaddin . . . . .	Sardinia . . . . .	S. C.	Marcellus Wooten . . . . .	Kinston . . . . .	N. C.
Daniel Patrick McGeachy . . . . .	Lumber Bridge . . . . .	N. C.	William Caskey Young . . . . .	Atlanta . . . . .	Ga.
Norwood Hodge McGilvary . . . . .	Chieng Mai . . . . .	Siam			

## FOR THE DEGREE OF B. S.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	STATE.
Thomas Jethro Hall . . . . .	Salem . . . . .	N. C.
Ptolemy Philadelphus Maxwell . . . . .	Davidson . . . . .	N. C.
Leland Coppock Speers . . . . .	Newberry . . . . .	S. C.
James Leonidas Turner . . . . .	Vance . . . . .	N. C.
Edward Smallwood Vass . . . . .	Savannah . . . . .	Ga.

## HISTORY OF '96.

Verily the class of '96 has but little faith in the assertion that "history repeats *itself*." Else why should she have placed upon one of her own members the onerous task of this repetition? "Repetition," because so widespread is the fame of '96, that whatever is here told must be simply a restatement of facts already known throughout the civilized world.

And yet, as a chapter of the story of the world's progress and as a section in the annals of Davidson, the history of our class may well be thought worthy a second reading and a careful rehearsal.

Then, to assist history in the effort to repeat itself, this historian would betake himself to his task.

At the risk of compromising a hitherto unsullied reputation for veracity, it is my duty to state that the class of '96 was once composed entirely of Freshmen. Those who care to search the records of the Historical Society or the Society for Scientific Research will find this statement fully corroborated. It is further certain that these Freshmen marched to exasperating tunes whistled by nutting Sophomores, and frequently caught something very like that which was seen in a

prehistoric instance when certain "ever-during" gates flew open "with impetuous recoil and jarring sound."

Not all of this was enjoyable; indeed it was discovered early one morning a few weeks after our arrival that during the night one of our most promising members had "folded his tent like the Arabs and as silently stolen away." This sudden flight has never been fully explained. It is only certain that fear was the mainspring of the action—whether fear of the Sophomores or fear of certain things in the shape of text-books has never yet been decided.

Still, for most of us, life was very far from unpleasant, and an organization of the class was effected with nothing more serious as a result than the gentle bumping of the newly elected officers. These gentlemen were: Brown H. D., president; McGilvary, vice-president, and McGeachy, secretary.

As the year drew to a close an effort was made to organize a C. S. Club. This proved a partial failure, for, at the end of the term, the treasurer disappeared with the funds and was seen no more in the ranks of

'96. As a result of this dereliction a banquet of immense proportions died in its incipency. Of this more anon.

In athletics for that year '96 can claim but a small share. Freshmen are usually too busy taking lessons in various conscience-stretching gymnastics to devote much time to bodily exercises or recreations. It was said that we were remarkably fleet-footed and abnormally developed in the art of water dodging. But on the diamond and gridiron, as has been intimated, we fell far short of everlasting honor.

The commencement of that year stands out pre-eminent in the history of the class. So pleasant had been our stay since the opening of the college that it was determined that nothing short of a general bumping would clear the skirts of '95 and put '96 in her proper place. The struggle, which lasted for hours, took place on Saturday evening before baccalaureate sermon. From 7 to 12 the battle raged with varying results and Herculean might. Such heroic scenes are not for this pen nor for these pages—their counterparts may be found in the world's greatest poems—what Homer and Milton have told needs no repetition. As to the result, it can only be said that, despite the indomitable courage of '95, '96 remains unbumped to this day.

Whatever the belief of the world in general as to the foregoing paragraph, it is nowhere denied that by the following September the class of '96 had reached the dignity of Sophomores. To this fact the Fresh of that year stand in undivided witness. They still refer in awed whispers to the awful manifestations connected with their first election. To this period belongs the famous Irish fight, an occurrence which needs no recounting at my hands. It is even rumored that one

Fresh, probably not on very intimate terms with his Satanic majesty, declared that his majesty had been literally given to the class of '97 by the virtuous Sophomores, who, it seems, had no use whatever for the personage aforesaid.

This much is certain, that after the first few weeks of the college term the class of '96 lost most of its superfluous energy and began to confine itself as a body to the mysteries of Horace and Homer and to regular incursions into the realms of hitherto unknown natural sciences. This great change in the apparently fixed habits of the class was probably caused by certain papers assiduously circulated among the students and finally lodged with the faculty, said papers having the power, in some occult manner, of relieving the college of the presence of any one discovered out of bed after certain hours or engaged in certain acts at any hours.

For the promotion of a more thankful spirit on the approaching Thanksgiving holiday the class proceeded, during the fall term, to supply themselves with mortarboards to the intense disgust of the seniors and to the open-mouthed wonder of the Fresh. The boards were worn for the first time on Thanksgiving day, November 24, 1893, and from that date became a fixture in class gatherings.

This year was quite notable for the intense class spirit displayed by '96. The annals of Davidson do not afford an instance of more perfect unanimity than that exhibited by the class of '96 throughout the year. Nor has any had greater room for self-pride or more worthily filled the position assigned her. In athletics a fair share of honors was achieved, but after desperate struggles, the championship, both for baseball and football, rested with the higher classes. On the col-

lege teams we filled very important places and could well hope to win higher prizes with greater practice. Athletic day but served to heighten our expectations, for when results were announced '96 could claim many first places and was a close competitor in all entries. In literary societies both declaimers' medals were secured, while in every class-room new records were made by our bright stars.

It is said that the campus still echoes with the strains of the '96 glee club, organized in this year for the special benefit of Dr. Grey in the Latin room. The spirited rendition of "Uncle Bynum's Dog" and "Pharaoh's Army" reflects great credit on the musical talent developed during the year. Rumor further asserts that one member of the class, tiring of visits to the Y. M. C. A., found at this time by diligent work a few spare moments in which to cultivate the society of the fair sex, and only found his ardor quenched by the prospect of a plunge into the waters of Lake Wiley. For further information on this point inquirers are referred to a certain "Shed," where the proper documents are stored.

A record of the year's work would be incomplete, indeed, without mention of the famous quartet, consisting of Brown (H. D.) Johnston, McGeachy and Matthis. These gentlemen, after some considerable practice, began a series of serenades which occupied the attention of the town people during the spring term and produced such a fusillade of brick bats, old shoes and rusty casters that a special force has been employed since that time to remove from the front yards and sidewalks the accumulated rubbish thrown at the serenaders. These gentlemen, to a man, claim that the above statement in regard to the fusillade is entirely false. They assert that refreshments were

served them so frequently that they gave up the business of serenading simply to escape dyspeptic graves. This statement is not for a moment credited by their fellow-students, except by such as hold that the weary citizens bribed the singers, deeming a few cakes a small matter provided they were given in exchange for rest and quiet.

A second commencement found the class bidding farewell to the straight path of required courses and welcoming in advance the prospects of optionals. With many regrets the privileges of a Sophomore's free life were given up and the class separated for another vacation. During this year '96 was officered as follows: McGeachy, president; Johnston, vice-president, and McGilvary, secretary.

On assembling for the third time, officers were elected for the year: Johnston, president; Bailey, vice president, and Brown (H. D.), secretary. Later Chambers was elected to fill the vacancy caused by Brown's absence from the college. From the beginning the class wore its Junior dignity with consummate ease, and, as a matter of course, the standard of former years was maintained. Considerable preference was shown in the election of courses for "snaps," but the general belief, after a few days of solid work, was that "snaps" were but creatures of a Junior's imagination.

Owing to serious accidents on the ball grounds during the fall, '96 has not had the longed-for opportunity of covering herself with honors in athletics. Perhaps while these pages are in the hands of the printers, these great hopes may be realized and our fame become greater.

Here the history of '96 must close. The printer calls for copy, and any further account of '96 must be found in succeeding annuals.

Under head of general remarks, we may say that though our ranks have been greatly thinned, we enrolled more men in the Sophomore year than in the Fresh. For the losses sustained we grieve; over the gains acquired we rejoice greatly. Especially do we mourn the departure of Brown, the noted tenor of the college glee club.

The class claims as additions since the first year the famous "Ward," who is believed by the Four Hundred to be dead, and "Long John," celebrated as the man who stole Hiawatha's magic slippers. This theft is proven beyond doubt by the fact that "with each stride a mile he measures."

The absconding treasurer of the C. S. C., above mentioned, has joined the ranks of '97, and (with shame be it related) the funds which should have supplied the dainty palates of our banqueteurs have been used almost entirely, we learn, in furnishing a banquet given by '97 within the last few months. We shall draw on the class at sight for the amount (thirty-nine cents), for it is reported that they intend using the remainder of the sum in a repetition of their last effort. It is to be hoped that the matter can be amicably adjusted before our next issue.

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# CLASS OF '97

## CLASS ORGANIZATION.

E. H. HARRISON . . . . . PRESIDENT  
W. H. WILYTE . . . . . VICE-PRESIDENT  
S. W. DuBOSE . . . . . SECRETARY AND TREASURER



### **MOTTO, COLORS, YELL.**

*Motto*—Facere quam gloriari.

*Colors*—Old gold and navy blue.

*Yell*—Hoop la hi! Hoop la he!

Facere quam gloriari.

Razoo, bazoo, razip, bang.

Let her go, '97. Boom, yah, bang.

## SOPHOMORE CLASS.

### FOR THE DEGREE OF A. B.

NAME	POSTOFFICE.	STATE.	NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	STATE.
Charles Franklin Alexander . . . . .	Elk Shoal . . . . .	N. C.	Robert Bost Knox . . . . .	Newton . . . . .	N. C.
William Banks . . . . .	Yorkville . . . . .	S. C.	Samuel Selden Lamb . . . . .	Elizabeth City . . . . .	N. C.
Louis Girardeau Beall . . . . .	Greensboro . . . . .	N. C.	Henry Junius Mills . . . . .	Mayesville . . . . .	S. C.
Eugene Holmes Bean . . . . .	Salisbury . . . . .	N. C.	Edmund Blair Pancake . . . . .	Romney . . . . .	W.Va.
Frank Allen Brennan . . . . .	Richburg . . . . .	S. C.	Henry Connor Reid . . . . .	Griffith . . . . .	N. C.
Archibald Currie . . . . .	Burlington . . . . .	N. C.	Eustace Henry Sloop . . . . .	Mooresville . . . . .	N. C.
Samuel Wilds DuBose . . . . .	Decatur . . . . .	Ga.	Thomas Hugh Spence . . . . .	Rock Hill . . . . .	S. C.
Randolph Shotwell Eskridge . . . . .	Shelby . . . . .	N. C.	James Archibald Steele . . . . .	Mooresville . . . . .	N. C.
John William Faust . . . . .	Little Rock . . . . .	Ark.	William Cureton Stewart . . . . .	Rock Hill . . . . .	S. C.
William Angus Ferguson . . . . .	Bladenboro . . . . .	N. C.	Robert Bruce Templeton . . . . .	Mooresville . . . . .	N. C.
Walter Alexander Goodman . . . . .	Mill Bridge . . . . .	N. C.	William Hope Whyte . . . . .	Rock Hill . . . . .	S. C.
Charles Tilden Hagan . . . . .	Greensboro . . . . .	N. C.	Eddie Meek Williams . . . . .	Fodder . . . . .	S. C.
Egbert Houston Harrison . . . . .	Mill Bridge . . . . .	N. C.	Joseph DeLeon Williams . . . . .	Warsaw . . . . .	N. C.
Peronnean Finley Henderson . . . . .	Aiken . . . . .	S. C.	James Marcus Williams . . . . .	Warsaw . . . . .	N. C.
Parks McCombs King . . . . .	Concord . . . . .	N. C.	John McKnight Wolfe . . . . .	Charlotte . . . . .	N. C.
Robert Foster Kirkpatrick . . . . .	Tallalega . . . . .	Ala.			

### FOR THE DEGREE OF B. S.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	STATE.
Osmond Long Barringer . . . . .	Charlotte . . . . .	N. C.
James Henry Hall . . . . .	Statesville . . . . .	N. C.
Eben Hardie . . . . .	New Orleans . . . . .	La.
Marion Meade Hardie . . . . .	New Orleans . . . . .	La.
Robert Gill Mills . . . . .	Chester . . . . .	S. C.
James William Neave . . . . .	Salisbury . . . . .	N. C.



## HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF '97.

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The historian of '97 has for some time been seeking for the mystic pen and scroll of Clío. Olympus probably claims all of her attention, as she is heedless of the needs of the historian, or perhaps she is inditing the freaks of Bacchus and Pan, or is describing the "very latest" styles of dress among the deities, so that nothing but plain facts will be herein narrated. It is highly improbable, also, that the class of '97, having a marked aversion to Bacchanalian revelries and the "blooming" styles of society buds, would permit their servant to be guided by the kindly muse could her service be obtained.

The history of our class, if unfolded in its entirety, would occupy many volumes. We have made a record worthy of the name of history, for our college career, brief as it is, has been characterized not by trivial events, but by marked changes from the habits and examples of our predecessors.

The first deviation from set customs was the class organization, which was perfected on the 25th of September, just a week after our entrance. In broad open daylight, before the very eyes of the upper classmen, we assembled at the old chapel. Previous to this time who had heard of a Fresh class organizing before the Spring term? The Sophomores were dazed. Rallying from their stupefaction and anticipating their triumph, they gave a yell of delight and attempted to drive those Fresh from the chapel. Ninety-six was soon to be chagrined, for Fresh as we were we closed the door and bid them defiance. War was declared

against the Sophs without a dissenting voice. None "bolted the convention." "Walking delegates" soon drew up the nucleus for a platform. The ranks of the besieging party swelled each minute. Loud the shouts of '97 rise; louder that of their more numerous enemies. Being unable to intimidate the Fresh, the Sophs withdrew to hold a consultation as to the most feasible plan of forcing entrance. During this lull in the conflict W. H. Whyte, of South Carolina, was elected president, R. F. Kirkpatrick vice-president and P. F. Henderson, secretary. Their designs being thwarted, the Sophs' indignation was more deeply aroused, and consequently several professors for weeks constituted a body guard for each Freshman, and the infirmary was kept in constant readiness for any Fresh who might stray off from his protectors.

Our second regular meeting was to offer our regrets to the upper classes on account of the loss of several of their members. However, they returned to college after a few weeks' "rustication." On this night was composed that soul-inspiring lyric, "Puss got onto you ere we met again."

Our gallantry and chivalry did not prevent the indignities of freshing. The Sophs were very generous-hearted and gave us a double portion. After the excitement attendant upon the impressive ceremonies of hazing, the college relaxed into its normal state. Ninety-seven now went about the regular routine of her duties, awaiting some opportunity to make herself

still more famous. At last spring is here. The knight of the ball and the bat is in ecstasies. Being Fresh we were permitted to play only with the Sophs, whose defeat was as signal as that of the day on which they had attempted to crush our class-spirit. Then came Senior speaking. This entertainment would not have been half so successful had it not been for the taste displayed by the Fresh class in the decorations. On field day, Whyte won the "banana race." The three legged race came to '97. This is not to be wondered at, for although the Junior class pointed with pride to "Sheep" and "Goat" we held our own with Wolfe and Lamb.

The examinations are passed (by some) and Commencement draws nigh. It is reported that the Soph class will attempt to initiate us into "Sophhood." A meeting is called. It is decided to depart again from time-honored customs and resist the Sophs. The class is resolved into a fighting corps. The Sophs, considerate creatures, hearing of our preparation, decided not to trouble us, impelled to this decision doubtless by recollections of the past. Ninety-seven was ushered into college midst the angry shouts of two infuriated classes, but her first year terminated peacefully in the joyous commencement-tide.

We are Sophs now! The transition from Fresh to Soph isn't so marvelous after all. We were very cheeky Freshmen, what will be our bearing as Sophomores? We organized with Harrison, Whyte and DuBose as our new officers. We have lost eight men: Cromartie, Douglas, Garrison, Hall (E. L.), Hyman, Lightsey, Stevens and Wyman. The accession of an unusually large number of new men fills up our depleted ranks. These are Alexander, Banks, Dren-

nan, DuBose, Goodman, Stewart and E. M. Williams.

How very strange that last year bazing was regarded by us as a very unmanly and undignified sport, while this year it is a pastime for which our particular class has a decided relish! For the first few weeks nothing startling transpired. One day we are amused and disgusted when it is reported that the Fresh would attempt to organize that night. We collect around the rendezvous, which a few invade, while the rest "line up" below. Suddenly missiles are ejected down the stairs, which, being disentangled, prove to be "Freshies." They fly and take refuge in the grass from which they can not be distinguished. Having thus thwarted their nefarious designs we permitted them to organize later.

Instead of the awkward-looking, ill-fitting "mortarboards" usually worn by the Soph class we decided to introduce class caps. Beavers will be *en rigle* in our Junior year. As the faculty asked us not to bother the little Fresh, and as we are very considerate of their requests, we turn our minds to something to occupy our attention. Some one suggests a banquet. This entertainment is no sooner suggested than it meets with the approval of the whole class. Nothing was known of our intentions until the appointed day. When the upper classmen became aware of what was about to happen they were incredulous. For the Senior class to indulge in such revelries would not be amiss, but for an upstart Soph class! Well, we had our banquet and it was a perfect success. Even the envious admit it.

Great literary talent having been displayed in our class, we reluctantly decided to let the world be benefited by our productions. To this end accordingly we will at an early date issue a class publication. The

work has not been organized as yet, but we have never failed in an undertaking yet and we feel sure that in this we shall be successful.

In athletics our class is not pre-eminent, but she holds her own. We have three men on the college baseball team and four on the football team. We intend to take the honors on "field day." The relay race especially excites our ambition. Our "sporting" officers are Beall, captain baseball team, Knox, manager; Beall, captain of football team, and Spence, manager.

This is what our class has done. As to what we are a great deal can be said, for our class is heterogeneous except in class politics. We have long men and short men, lean men and fat men, quiet men and "funny"

men, studious men and lazy men, ambitious men and unambitious men, and all sorts of men. We have candidates for the ministry, eminent barristers *in futuro*, aspirants for sheep-skin from a medical college, poets (to be), journalists who will astonish the villagers, and in fact every profession and vocation will receive additions from '97.

Reader, perhaps you may think that '97 has done nothing remarkable, that she lays claim to more than she deserves, but consider that while our deeds in themselves may not be so creditable, we should receive commendation for being a class united in all things pertaining to the welfare of our class as a whole and our classmates as individuals.



#### Voilà Tout.

A Sophomore gay,  
In a boasting way,  
Said to a maiden fair:

"The Sophomore's life  
Is the bloodiest strife.  
We murder the Freshmen all."

Said the maiden fair,  
With a timid air,

"How did *you* escape, sir, pray?"



## CLASS ORGANIZATION.

J. D. WOODSIDE . . . . .	PRESIDENT
J. L. RAMSPECK . . . . .	VICE-PRESIDENT
H. W. WILSON . . . . .	SECRETARY AND TREASURER



### MOTTO, COLORS, YELL.

*Motto*—Non progredi est regredi.

*Colors*—Crimson and white.

*Yell*—Rip lah rah, sis boom bah,  
Crimson and white, yah ki yah,  
Boomalaka hi ho zip boom bate,  
D. C., N. C., '98.

## CLASS OF '98.

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### FOR THE DEGREE OF A. B.

Claudius Tate Carr.  
Walter Lee Dick.  
Samuel Moinroe Goodman.  
William Hugh Hamilton.  
Frank Morton Hawley.  
Samuel Holder Hines.  
Charles Flanner W. Hunter.  
George Whitfield Hyde.  
Robert Andrew Love.

Robert Kemper Matthews.  
Peter Scales Miller.  
Jemie Parr Moore.  
Florence Gelolo McHugh.  
John Murdock McKinnon.  
Romulus Armistead Nunn.  
Lemmel Campbell Pancake.  
Joseph Lewis Ramspeck.  
Joseph Russell Ross.

Joseph Lacy Shaw.  
John Porter Shearer.  
Alston Shoaf.  
William David Simpson.  
Robert Alexander Smith.  
John Thomas Smith.  
Robert Sanders Steele.  
Henry Bagley Stokes.

Edwin Lee Tate.  
James Edward Ward.  
William Pressley Webb.  
Joseph Isaac Wilson  
James Luther Wilson.  
Joseph Wickliffe Wilson.  
Hamilton Witherspoon Wilson.

### FOR THE DEGREE OF B. S.

Harry Vass Allen.  
David Farrow Foy.  
Joseph Evans Thompson.

Joseph Owen Walker.  
Joel David Woodside.  
Herbert Livingston Wright.

## HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF '98.

“Non progredi est regredi.” With this motto before us the class of '98 has started into a life which, though sparkling now with its half year's attainments, has a future that will spread out before us in a beautifully wide path along which to pursue our way to success.

It would require more genius and talent than we are able to command to trace our boys up to the present time, and who can answer to what summits of success we shall approach? The duty of giving an outline of the present, when thrust on a member of our class, overwhelms him with his responsibility, and with many apologies to the reader he presents this sketch of our first year at Davidson.

Seven States were represented by thirty-nine boys at the opening of the session on September 17th. Though many different sorts and sizes of boys it took to make up the largest class for several years, still we all had one object in view. Our entrance examinations were passed with credit to both our former tutors and ourselves. When we had completed these examinations we felt that we had now stepped from school boys to college men (with apologies to our two married members who, of course, were men before they came here).

The Y. M. C. A., in honor of so large and brilliant a class, at once took opportunity to give us a reception to win our good graces. The weather on this occasion was unfortunate for us—it was cold and rainy—but this did not prevent the ladies of the city and a score

of visitors from all parts of the State from gathering to welcome and entertain us. We shall not attempt, since our space is limited, to describe the lovely toilets prepared or the magnificence which surrounded us on that occasion. After spending a most enjoyable evening, the party was treated to refreshments and “the dancing continued until a late hour.” After tiring of a series of entertainments, we entered upon the routine of college life. We find that one-third of our class expect to distinguish themselves at the bar; that one-fourth are candidates for the ministry; that one-fifth are to earn their livelihood in business life, and that four are approaching degrees of electrical engineer and medical doctor, and one so deviates from the course of right as to hope to be a teacher.

With our usual pluck we had no trouble in arranging for a class meeting at once. The meeting was uninterrupted by the sleepy Sophs and resulted in the election of Mr. J. D. Woodside, president; Mr. J. L. Ramspeck, vice-president, and Mr. H. W. Wilson, secretary. The Sophomores who, we learn, received rather harsh treatment when they attempted to assemble for the first time, had pictured to themselves the fun they would have when we should try to organize, and, reader, imagine, if you can, their long faces and the disgrace they felt when they heard our yell and knew we had organized—and they so failed in what might be expected of them. We had our class football and baseball teams on the grounds at the same time with the other classes. In

the inter-class football games our class has shown itself worthy, full of spirit and a hard competitor. While the baseball season is hardly opened, we are assured that we can show that in this, too, we have splendid material. In track athletics we are confident that no small portion of the honors on athletic day will fall into our hands. Our musical organization makes a very creditable show and often favors the people of the city with serenades, and the number of invitations our musicians receive daily attests their popularity with the girls.

Along with the other geniuses of our class we have a young man who bids fair to rival Raphael as an artist. There is little doubt that in a few years his pictures will win fortune and the admiration of all true lovers of art. Already he has the walls of his own and sev-

eral others' rooms illuminated with gems, and there he sits enraptured, dreaming away study hours. It makes one melancholy to know that all his productions must perish with the summer whitewash. In the college glee club '98 is well represented, and that organization owes no small amount of its merit and popularity to this fact. There has been a marked increase in the attendance at chapel since one of our men has accepted the organist's place. Lately, in the Sophomore banquet, one of our men was present to entertain the party. This was our genial president, without whom no assembly is complete. In the selection of marshals for the coming commencement both the Eumenean and Philanthropic Societies selected '98 men. These things go to show the universal popularity of the boys.





# THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

## ORGANIZATION.

L. L. ARDREY . . . . .	PRESIDENT
G. CHEATHAM . . . . .	VICE-PRESIDENT
W. S. JONES . . . . .	SECRETARY
E. S. BROWNING . . . . .	TREASURER
J. D. McDOWELL . . . . .	HISTORIAN

*Color*—Red.



## MEDICAL CLASS.

L. L. Ardrey.	C. M. McCracken.
E. S. Browning.	J. D. McDowell.
G. Cheatham.	R. M. Montgomery.
N. M. Gibbs, M. D.	M. C. Otts.
J. S. Hall.	C. J. Parlier, M. D.
W. I. Hill.	D. S. Pitts.
H. B. Hoyle.	K. M. Potts.
J. V. Hunter.	E. R. Russell, M. D.
E. Hutchens.	J. R. Reitzel, M. D.
W. S. Jones.	W. G. Shaw, M. D.
G. S. Kirby.	H. B. Thomas.
E. B. Lattimore.	J. A. Thigpen.
J. J. Leak.	N. A. Thompson.

## HISTORY OF MEDICAL CLASS.

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With a feeling of pride the historian finds that to his lot falls the pleasant task of writing up the record of the Medical Class of '95—the largest and, with all due respect to our illustrious alumni, the most accomplished class that has ever graced the walls of our institution.

Not only would it be in bad taste but it is entirely unnecessary to enter into a lengthy dissertation upon its recognized merits and superiority, for the class of '95 is amply able to stand upon its own reputation. But the writer would rather leave such vain boastings to others in their struggles for notoriety and confine himself to a plain recital of its past record up to date.

The history of the medical department of Davidson dates back for many years. In the earlier embryonic stages of its development the ambition of this department was only to become a preparatory school of medicine, and as such it remained for several years. Gradually, however, its reputation grew and the numbers in attendance increased until it was thought wise to form a separate medical college out of this department, and in pursuance of this plan, in 1893, the North Carolina Legislature incorporated it under the name of the North Carolina Medical College, with Dr. J. P. Munroe as its president. Ever since that time the institution has continued to thrive and increase in numbers under his able management and widespread reputation as a teacher.

Among the many advantages that we might mention as possessed by the Meds. here, is their instruction under the college professors in the important

branches of chemistry and physics, and the use of the well-equipped laboratories in both these departments.

The class of '95 has kept pace with the progress of the college and has made greater advances along every line of study than any preceding class.

To give anything like a connected history of this class were well-nigh impossible, for even "Grandfather Jack," one of its most antiquated members, can scarcely recall the date of his advent into college; and since that time so many have been the backsliders and so numerous the additions to its ranks all through the course, that we might simply say that it had no beginning, though we may prophesy, with some reasonable degree of certainty, that chemistry finals will play a pretty big role in its ending.

Throughout the whole of its course the class has had no special events of any great importance to record, but ever pursuing the even tenor of its way has succeeded in making for itself a reputation for capability, perseverance and energy not often attained by any class.

Its organization this year resulted in the election of L. L. Ardrey as president; G. Cheatham, vice-president; W. S. Jones, secretary, and E. S. Browning, treasurer; and right truly have they proven themselves worthy of the honor bestowed upon them.

Perhaps no class in college can boast a greater variety of characters of every kind and description imaginable, and no museum a more interesting or valuable collection of specimens.

Verily the wilds of Western North Carolina have given up their denizens; the Georgia Cracker is not found wanting; even Alabama has parted with her choicest specimens; and the South Carolina Sand-Lapper has found his way here.

Go where you will, and where could be found another Otts to shed upon us the dazzling rays of a most brilliant mind, or teach us by daily precepts and example the necessity of regular attendance upon every lecture despite the interruption of an ever increasing practice? Or where such another manifestation of scintillating wit as in Jones? And our little Thigpen, the baby of the class and its flaxen-haired darling, whose fairy dimples and charming prattle are the pride and delight of all. How can we ever think of thee too tenderly? Can we not boast of one whose fame has even now gone abroad as the peer of Sullivan and the equal of Jim Corbett?

Might we not mention our Hills and our Kirbys, our Daniels and Montgomerys, and a host of other illustrious names. Time would fail us should we attempt anything like an individual account of the many interesting members of this wonderful class. But suffice it to say that they are all "trumps," and when played according to "Hoyle" they are bound to win in the future "deal" of life as they have done in the past.

And now we find ourselves almost at the end of the year's hard work and labor, and ready to undertake those most trying of all experiences, "final examinations."

And though it is with a sense of relief that we take our leave of the dissecting hall, with all its spectral innuates and odoriferous surroundings, still here has been the scene of many an interesting investigation

into the nature and causes of disease, and perhaps the pursuit of knowledge in no department has proved so fascinating as the study of the anatomy of the human body on the cadaver itself.

And now that the time draws near to separate, "perhaps for aye," a feeling of sadness and regret comes to us as we think that no more shall we gather within the dear old class-rooms to hear "Old Quit" spout his jaw breaking terms and stuff our worn-out craniums with the uses of *Viburnum Prunifolium* and *Phytolaccadecandra*, or have "John Peter" dilate on "Cerebral Localization," or the Physiological Action of *Monotrichloracetyledimethylphenylpyrazolon*; that no more will we dis-"cuss" the "Brachial Plexus" in the ramifications and distribution, or tear out our hair over "Differential Diagnosis."

Can we ever forget our varied feelings and experiences around the operating table or at the clinics? Will we not look back on the pleasant meetings we have had together in the friendly intercourse and the manly rivalry?

Such memories shall surely return to us even after we have left these scenes behind us and have entered the turmoil and din of a busy world with the attendant cares and anxieties of a physician's life, and then they shall gladden many an hour with pleasant recollections of bygone days and unforgotten friendships.

May the members of the class of '95 win great distinction for themselves in their glorious profession, thereby honoring the institution they represent, and in striving for greater honor and success hereafter always make this their watch-word, that

"'Tis not in mortals to command success,  
But we'll do more, we'll deserve it."

HISTORIAN.

## THE COLLEGE BELL.

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Hear the tuneless College Bell,  
    Hateful bell,  
What an hour of anguish its discordant notes foretell.  
O'er the peaceful, bright quadrangle  
Comes the jangle, jangle, jangle—  
    Calling us to class with unremitting tone:  
And we rise to go on Greek  
Where it seems we stay a week,  
    With a groan.  
And the ringer! Ah, the ringer!  
He, that sweet and soulful singer,  
    Cruel one,  
Who would ever dream on  
That the ringer was a demon  
    With a heart as hard as stone?

Hear the merry College Bell,  
    Welcome bell,  
What a host of blessings are invoked upon that bell.  
Rousing some from troubled nappy,  
Making all supremely happy,  
    By pealing forth the tidings that the hour is done.  
Who dares say her sound is odious?  
Could a bell be more melodious  
    Than that one?  
What a bustle, what a rush!  
Through the door we crowd and crush,  
Dashing forth to freedom in a violent pell-mell.  
Sweeter music I may hear,  
But none will ever be so dear  
As that wafted to mine ear  
    From that bell.



EUMENEAN HALL.

## SKETCH OF THE EUMENEAN SOCIETY.

The year 1837 chronicles the establishment of Davidson College, and almost contemporaneously the Eumenean Society sprang into existence; not from the evanescent vaporings of immaturity, but from the recognition of a necessity which crystallized into the now time-tested, time-honored society, the pride of so many illustrious alumni and the foster mother of so many yet to place themselves under the shadow of her protecting wing.

Wise and far-sighted moves are by no means confined to the present age, as many are inclined to think. Such a move was that taken by a number of students of Davidson College on April 14, 1837, in the organization of a debating society as a means of improvement not to be secured in the regular college work. The object of the meeting was fully explained and Thos. H. Hamilton was made chairman. The following were appointed a committee to draw up a constitution for the society: Thos. E. Davis, Samuel L. Adams and Rufus W. Morrison. They labored faithfully and well to secure, as a foundation for future success in the work, a constitution at once perspicuous and impregnable. The constitution and by-laws as suggested by them were adopted by the society. Naturally an item of much interest was the name. With thoughts of sharply contested debates and struggles against odds for proficiency, the cognomen "Polemic Debating Society" was deemed a suitable one and adopted. In the flush of successes consequent upon incipient zeal and ardor, its members soon lost the idea of "agonizing," and desiring a more befitting

name for this smooth and easy highway to eminence they changed it the following year to the more euphonic "Eumenean," feeling that its liquid melody would prove a talisman in times of discord. Under this kindly title she has continued until the present.

Two mottoes were adopted, "Pulcrum est colerementem," embodying the aim and purpose of the organization, and a Greek motto which being translated gives "Truth is lasting and beautiful," as a watch-word in the heart of each member, urging him in all his actions toward a high and noble standard.

The first election of officers resulted as follows: Rufus W. Morrison president, L. D. Gaston vice-president and R. E. Sherrill secretary. The society was then in working order save that she lacked a local habitation. Their effort to obtain a place of meeting is recorded in the early minutes. They petitioned Dr. Sparrow, then professor of languages, to allow the use of his class-room. This was granted with the proviso that "they should not lean against the wall or spit on the floor." Their meager collection of books, which has since, with others, developed into the splendid Union Library, was stored away in a corner of the same recitation room.

Not satisfied with such incommodious quarters, the question of building a hall for the use of the society was agitated about 1848. Their efforts materialized, the result being the present spacious hall which the society first occupied in the fall of 1849. Various changes and improvements have been made, both as

to its outward appearance and furnishings within. Since the consolidation of the libraries of the two societies into the Union Library, the lower floor of the hall has been used for dormitories.

The career of old Eumenean has not been all smooth sailing. The civil war, which almost entirely interrupted the work of the college, told heavily against society work. The records show two periods, from April 19, 1861, to February 13, 1862, and from April 12, 1862, to January 5, 1864, in which there were no meetings held at all, and at several times reorganizations were necessary. On account of the depreciation of currency, the society found it necessary in January, 1864, to double the amount of all fines.

Many things of interest present themselves in reading the minute books of such an organization. The change in the general character of handwriting is as marked as in the customs and methods of procedure. Questions which appear to us of minor importance were argued with an earnestness and care befitting the weightiest matters. Two radical changes are noted in the policy of the society. Up to 1870 it was a duty of the officers to take cognizance of the deportment of the membership on the campus and in the class-room as well as in the society hall. Offenses such as profanity, drunkenness, disrespect to a professor and many others were sure to call forth a reprimand or a fine and in some cases resulted in expulsion. On one occasion, a member was arraigned for a misdemeanor, and having pleaded guilty he retired from the hall to await the society's decision. The

president was instructed to reprimand the culprit in a mild way since it was a well known fact that he was making an honest endeavor to correct his error. This practice has been dropped in later years, the society only acting in cases of gross violation of honor.

During the summer of '91 the constitution was carefully revised by W. H. Mills and C. M. Richards, their work being approved by the society later. The principal change was that all secrecy in connection with the society and its workings was abolished. Prior to this date, the strictest secrecy had been maintained. The revelation of any part of the constitution, by-laws, or even the proceedings of the meetings, was an offense punishable by expulsion.

Besides the orator's medal, given conjointly by the two societies, the Eumenean offers three medals each year, one to the best essayist, one to the best debater, and the third to the best declaimer. As a rule these are eagerly competed for, and the result is much good for the society and especially for the participants.

The organization of the society is as follows: A president, vice-president, recording secretary, and reviewer, elected quarterly; a corresponding secretary and treasurer, elected annually. The exercises are the reading of selections, the delivery of original and select speeches, and debating. Its meetings are held each Saturday night and each alternate Monday morning.

Through many vicissitudes of fortune she has flourished. May she continue in prosperity, to nourish brave sons and fit them for the battles of life.

## PRESIDENTS OF THE EUMENEAN SOCIETY.

1837.  
R. W. Morrison.

1838.

1839  
R. W. Morrison.  
T. C. Crawford  
R. N. Davis.

1840.

J. R. Baird.  
J. M. Bogle.  
S. W. Morrison.  
R. E. Sherrill.

1841.

T. E. Davis.  
H. B. Johnston.  
T. C. Crawford.

1842.

H. W. Black.  
T. M. Kirkpatrick.  
J. R. Shire.

1843.

A. M. Bogle.  
A. L. Crawford.  
W. A. Moore.

1844.

J. M. Doby.  
J. M. McNeely.  
J. L. Fox.

1845.

J. H. White.  
W. H. Singletary.  
J. L. Gaither.

1846.

W. J. Cooper.  
A. Fuloe.  
Wm. Black.

1847.

J. M. Walker.  
A. A. James.  
J. R. Gillespie.  
G. D. Parks.

1848

J. J. Miller.  
W. S. Moore.  
James Douglas.

1849.

R. H. Johnston.  
B. S. Krider.  
Thomas Grier.

1850.

H. T. Burke.  
J. M. Cooper.  
R. M. Cooper.

1851.

S. E. W. Pharr.  
S. Keenan.  
S. L. Parks.

1852.

J. S. Harris.  
T. A. Adams.  
W. M. W. Morrison.  
B. H. Moore.

1853.

D. E. Gordon.  
T. E. Watts.  
J. H. Hill.

1854.

W. B. Watts.  
J. C. Alexander.  
J. C. Caldwell.

1855.

J. R. McFadden.  
H. H. Banks.  
R. L. Douglas.

1856.

T. J. Bailey.  
M. M. Duffie.  
D. M. McClure.

1857.

J. M. Moore.  
Robert Johnston.  
R. L. Douglas.

1858.

J. M. P. Otts.  
W. B. Thompson.  
A. M. Barry.  
R. B. Gaddy.

1859.

C. L. Simms.  
W. N. Dickey.  
W. McDuffie.

1860.

Joseph Thompson.  
O. L. Wylie.  
G. S. Phifer.

1861.

B. W. Johnston.

1862.

E. L. Thompson.

1863 64.

John L. Caldwell.

1865.

N. Z. Graves.

1866.

E. W. Kerr.  
W. H. Davis.

1867.

A. R. Kennedy.  
A. C. Wharton.

1868.

A. R. Banks.  
W. H. Davis.  
J. F. Cannon.



1869.  
W. H. Verner.  
E. W. Kerr.  
R. B. McAlpine.

1870.  
J. B. Smith.  
J. H. Anderson.  
R. M. Kirkpatrick.

1871.  
J. W. Spratt.  
J. H. Hammett.  
T. R. English.

1872.  
W. B. Crawford.  
O. D. Davis.  
W. M. Carothers.

1873.  
W. P. Good.  
C. W. H. Robinson.  
M. C. Britt.

1874.  
J. E. Fogartie.  
B. W. Mebane.  
E. M. Baird.

1875.  
A. B. Coit.  
L. A. Simpson.  
S. L. Wilson.

1876.  
A. M. Fraser.  
W. S. Moore.  
J. M. Seabrook.

1877.  
R. A. Lapsley.  
W. S. Fleming.  
C. C. Norwood.

1878.  
J. S. Williams.  
B. P. Reid.  
F. P. Ramsey.

1879.  
J. A. Wilson.  
T. H. DeGraffenreid.  
W. B. Jennings.

1880.  
T. G. Hardie.  
J. D. Nisbet.  
J. B. Fraser.

1881.  
Anthony White, Jr.  
S. R. Hope.  
C. Fraser.

1882.  
J. E. Mason.  
J. H. Lumpkin.  
A. C. Dick.

1883.  
C. C. Wilson.  
B. F. Wilson.  
Samuel Scott.

1884.  
E. L. Barnes.  
J. P. Grey.  
I. R. Ocland.

1885.  
N. L. Anderson.  
J. A. McMurray.  
S. C. Baker.

1886.  
E. Mack.  
H. A. Grey.  
R. E. Nicholson.

1887.  
W. S. Wallace.  
C. G. Vardell.  
W. P. Nesbitt.

1888.  
S. R. McKee.  
J. K. Smith.  
R. S. Thompson.

1889.  
S. H. Edmunds.  
J. M. Moore.  
D. M. Frierson.

1890.  
W. F. Hollingsworth.  
J. E. Townsend.  
J. R. Minter.

1891.  
J. A. Dick.  
C. M. Richards.  
W. H. Mills.

1892.  
W. L. Walker.  
J. H. Grey.  
J. M. Douglas.

1893.  
V. R. Gaston.  
J. M. Farr.  
M. E. Sentelle.

1894.  
W. A. Hafner.  
S. L. Cathey.  
S. W. McKee.

1895.  
D. M. Douglas.  
J. E. Mills.

## MEDALISTS OF THE EUMENEAN SOCIETY FROM 1875.

1875.	B. W. Mebane . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1886.	D. M. Provence . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	H. F. Wilson . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		D. F. Sheppard . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	T. B. Craig . . . . .	Orator's Medal.	1887.	C. G. Vardell . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
1876.	A. M. Fraser . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		J. K. Smith and J. A. Dick . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	Thomas Lacy . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		L. A. Oates . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	C. L. Stewart . . . . .	Orator's Medal.	1888.	S. R. McKee . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
1877.	J. F. Mayne . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		S. H. Edmunds . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	J. A. Wilson . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		J. A. McArthur . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	H. W. Malloy . . . . .	Orator's Medal.		J. K. Smith . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
1878.	F. P. Ramsay . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1889.	J. K. Smith . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	J. U. Dunlap . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		B. F. Townsend . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	F. P. Ramsay . . . . .	Orator's Medal.		W. F. Hollingsworth . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1879.	B. P. Reid . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1890.	W. F. Hollingsworth . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	A. White, Jr . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		C. L. Grey . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	J. U. Dunlap . . . . .	Orator's Medal.		W. A. W. Gillon . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1880.	T. H. DeGraffenreid . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1891.	W. H. Mills . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	Henry Briggs . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		E. L. Wilson . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	J. S. Brockington . . . . .	Orator's Medal.		L. G. Henderson . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1881.	T. B. Fraser . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		G. H. Cornelson . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
	Hugh McCutchen . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.	1892.	C. M. Richards . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	J. D. Nisbet . . . . .	Orator's Medal.		J. W. Stokes . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
1882.	Chalmers Fraser . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		V. R. Gaston . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	C. S. Bratton . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.	1893.	J. L. Douglas . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	Z. A. Morris . . . . .	Orator's Medal.		F. H. Wardlaw . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
1883.	J. H. Lumpkin . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		J. M. Harris . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	Raymond Oeland . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.	1894.	M. E. Sentelle . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	L. W. Dick, Jr . . . . .	Orator's Medal.		D. K. Pope . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
1884.	Samuel Scott . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		H. K. Parks . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	W. L. M. Morris . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		F. D. Jones . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
	B. F. Wilson . . . . .	Orator's Medal.	1895.	E. L. Wilson . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
1885.	J. P. Grey . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		J. E. Mills . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	Leonard White . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		F. H. Wardlaw . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	I. R. Oeland . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.		F. M. Hawley . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
1886.	W. S. Moore . . . . .	Debater's Medal.			



PHILANTHROPIC HALL.

## SKETCH OF THE PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETY.

The Philanthropic Society of Davidson College was organized on the 22d day of June, 1837. Those who enjoyed the distinction of being the first officers of the society were: A. Neely, North Carolina, president; L. B. Gaston, New York, vice-president, and J. E. McPherson, North Carolina, secretary.

From the record of the society we find that the membership during the first year numbered thirty-eight. At the time of writing the roll has passed the one thousandth mark and shows an active membership of sixty-seven.

No data exist from which can be determined the exact date of the erection of the present hall. It is supposed, however, to have been built not many years after the society was founded. It is probably not inappropriate to mention just here that thanks are due the members of the faculty who held office at that time for their hearty co-operation and assistance in the completion of the building, without whose generous aid the erection could hardly have been accomplished. As is seen from the accompanying cut the interior of the hall is tastefully furnished and altogether presents a very handsome appearance.

Meetings are held bi-weekly, Saturday night being devoted to debate and Monday morning to declamations, essays and orations.

Three medals are given annually, the Declaimer's

contest being confined to the lower classes, while the Debater's and Essayist's are open to competition by all. The Orator's is the joint award of the two societies. At Junior speaking the faculty select from each society three representatives, who contend at commencement for this prize, the decision being made by competent judges.

Among the most important work is the maintenance and support of the *Davidson Monthly*, which is the joint production of the two societies, three editors and a business manager from each society constituting the working force of the magazine. It occupies a high position in the world of college literature, and is a monument of our labors of which we are justly proud.

In conclusion the writer would say that notwithstanding the lack of interest shown in the work of literary societies as indicated by reports from other colleges, the loyal members of the old Phi. have ever stood together in the performance of their duties, and more than one successful man in public affairs has had cause to be grateful for the training that has, in no small measure, contributed to his success in life. Thus may it ever be!

A complete list of the presidents of the Philanthropic Society will be found on the two succeeding pages.

## PRESIDENTS OF THE PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETY.

1837.  
A. Neely.  
Jas. Knox.  
Jas. Scott.

1838.  
M. D. Johnston.  
C. D. McNeely.  
Wm. P. Bynum.

1839.  
W. H. Moore.  
Jas. Knox.  
M. L. McCorkie.  
A. Neely.

1840.  
H. N. Kimmons.  
Jas. F. Hampton.  
A. Q. McDuffy.

1841.  
W. P. Bynum.  
M. L. McCorkle.  
A. B. McLean.  
W. P. Costor.

1842.  
J. B. McCallum.  
J. M. Sample.  
J. M. W. Baker.  
R. F. Johnston.

1843.  
J. A. Hartt.  
W. L. Anderson.  
Moses Lingle.  
A. H. Ingram.

1844.  
J. A. Stewart.  
S. N. Hutchison.  
J. M. Gill.  
J. J. Bossard.

1845.  
E. N. Hutchison.  
W. M. Peacock.  
P. W. McNeill.  
J. W. McRae.

1846.  
P. B. McLaurin.  
J. L. K. Belk.  
A. White.  
T. W. Irwin.

1847.  
B. C. Powell.  
S. W. Davis.  
B. F. Little.

1848.  
E. C. Chambers.  
D. F. Long.  
S. M. McDowell.  
A. M. Irwin.  
J. F. Bell.

1849.  
T. A. Wilson.  
S. R. Spaun.  
J. M. Hutchinison.  
E. L. Burney.

1850.  
J. Rumples.  
J. S. McQueen.  
J. R. McLean.  
W. E. Dick.

1851.  
D. D. McBryde.  
J. C. McCallum.  
J. P. Smith.  
J. Cannon.

1852.  
J. B. Alexander.  
J. McQueen.  
C. A. Henderson.  
J. T. Harry.

1853.  
C. C. Alexander.  
J. D. Lacaste.  
W. T. Hall.  
J. M. Matthews.

1854.  
J. W. Burkhead.  
D. C. Smith.  
G. A. Cairns.  
J. R. Boyd.

1855.  
J. E. Neagle.  
T. C. Henderson.  
A. N. McCallum.  
A. McQueen.

1856.  
J. M. Alexander.  
J. E. Neagle.  
D. J. DeVane.  
J. H. Emerson.

1857.  
M. H. McBryde.  
Wm. White.  
A. Montgomery.  
A. Burwell.

1858.  
J. D. Melver.  
E. M. Scales.  
J. M. McPherson.  
J. B. Lowrie.

1859.  
E. Stradwick.  
D. C. Love.  
E. N. McAuley.  
W. T. Morrison.

1860.  
M. McLaughlin.  
G. P. Erwin.  
J. H. Gonger.  
John McKimmon.

1861.  
D. Kelley.  
J. D. Brown.  
C. M. Payne.

1862.  
T. S. Ruse.

1863.  
W. A. Smith.  
1864.  
J. T. Smith.  
1864-66.  
Society suspended  
on account of the war.  
1866.  
R. H. Morrison.  
1867.  
T. F. Brown.  
R. M. Tuttle.  
R. H. Morrison.  
1868.  
A. J. Morrison.  
L. M. Hofman.  
B. G. Clifford.  
1869.  
L. M. Hofman.  
Wm. A. Milner.  
A. Malloy.  
W. J. McKay.  
J. K. Rankin.  
1870.  
W. C. Clark.  
A. Malloy.  
J. A. McMurray.  
M. H. Wooten.  
1871.  
Thos. Maloney.  
O. W. Scarborough.  
E. L. Gaither.  
W. M. McGilvary.  
Erwin Harris.  
1872.  
C. A. Munroe.  
Alex. D. Pitts.  
W. C. Maxwell.  
E. L. Gaither.

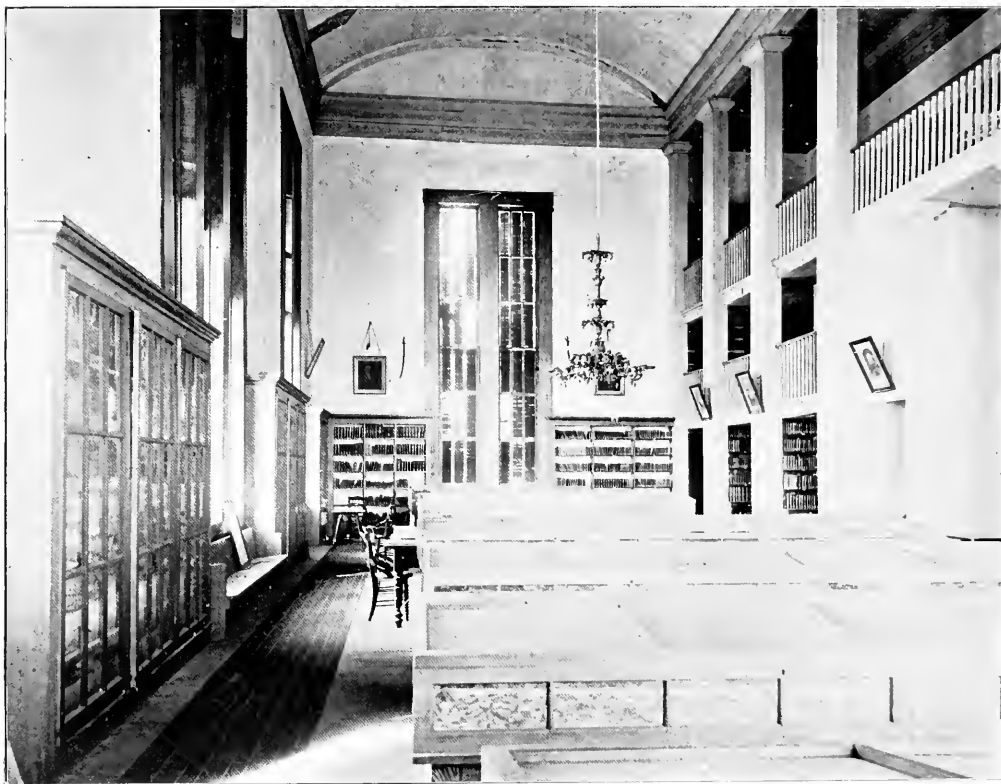
1873.  
R. E. Little.  
S. S. Burton.  
F. H. Fries.  
J. W. McLaughlin.  
1874.  
W. McN. McKay.  
P. R. Law.  
Alex. Sprunt, Jr.  
J. C. Horner.  
1875.  
Jas. H. Morrison.  
T. M. Palmer.  
Thos. McGehee.  
W. B. Arrowood.  
1876.  
B. F. Watkins.  
T. McGehee.  
W. W. Rumble.  
R. S. Arrowood.  
1877.  
C. M. Tidball.  
F. P. Harrell.  
H. E. Fries.  
J. L. Patterson.  
W. W. Moore.  
1878.  
C. McG. Hepburn.  
J. T. Murphy.  
A. G. Buckner.  
J. A. Hodges.  
1879.  
D. A. McGregor.  
W. H. Cozart.  
P. M. Brown.  
D. H. Hill, Jr.

1880.  
J. A. Gilmer.  
A. W. White.  
J. L. Scott, Jr.  
E. C. Smith.  
1881.  
J. T. Roberts.  
J. W. Summers.  
C. C. Bellamy.  
R. R. Bellamy.  
1882.  
Egbert W. Smith.  
Gilmer Brenizer.  
R. L. Ryburn.  
T. P. Burgess.  
1883.  
H. H. Leovy.  
J. M. Faison.  
Alex. Wilson.  
E. B. McGilvary.  
1884.  
E. W. Faucette.  
D. F. Eagleton.  
J. W. Siler.  
W. F. Stevenson.  
1885.  
W. B. Henderson.  
A. D. Horah.  
B. E. Harris.  
J. McM. Clark.  
1886.  
C. S. Gilmer.  
J. E. Watts.  
J. A. McLaughlin.  
F. P. Hall.  
1887.  
H. N. Pharr.  
E. L. Siler.  
W. H. Baker.  
R. M. Oates.

1888.  
M. C. Martin.  
W. J. Martin.  
Fred Hill.  
R. R. Stevenson.  
1889.  
J. A. McArthur.  
J. S. Brown.  
J. A. Matheson.  
H. W. Smith.  
1890.  
J. E. Thacker.  
C. N. Wharton.  
L. D. Wharton.  
A. A. McGeachy.  
1891.  
J. A. Tillinghast.  
J. L. Lineberger.  
W. L. Lingle.  
J. B. Wharey.  
1892.  
R. L. Wharton.  
L. E. Boston.  
J. W. Wakefield.  
W. K. Forsyth.  
1893.  
E. S. Tillinghast.  
A. K. Pool.  
C. E. Hodgkin.  
J. W. Goodman.  
1894.  
J. D. Arnold.  
R. H. M. Brown.  
A. G. Little.  
Alex. Martin.  
1895.  
R. S. Cromartic.

## MEDALISTS OF THE PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETY FROM 1869.

1869.	W. J. McKay . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1885.	W. F. Stevenson . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	Frank McNeill . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		J. W. Siler . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1871.	P. H. Pitts . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		A. M. McCallum . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	A. McDonald . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.	1886.	F. P. Hall . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
1872.	A. D. Pitts . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		D. M. Phillips . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	J. W. McLaughlin . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		W. J. Martin, Jr . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
1873.	S. S. Burton . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1887.	D. N. McLaughlin . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	I. R. Irwin . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		R. G. Sparrow . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1874.	J. E. Kelly . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		D. M. McIver . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
	R. M. Miller, Jr . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.	1888.	R. R. Stevenson . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
1875.	L. Richardson . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		W. J. Martin, Jr. . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	H. Elliott . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		J. A. McArthur . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1876.	Thos. McGehee . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		R. H. Holland . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	W. W. Moore . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.	1889.	W. V. Goldberg . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
1877.	W. W. Moore . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		J. S. Brown . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	F. M. Williams . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		R. E. C. Lawson . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
1878.	J. L. Patterson . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1890.	R. L. McNair . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	C. McG. Hepburn . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.		D. A. Blackburn . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	A. W. White . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		J. C. Dnfour . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1879.	J. W. Osborne . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		A. A. McGeachy . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
	J. H. Hill, Jr . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.	1891.	A. K. Pool . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	H. W. Beall . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		J. A. Tillinghast . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
1880.	D. H. Hill, Jr. . . . .	Debater's Medal.		W. L. Lingle . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	H. W. Beall . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.		A. A. McGeachy . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	C. C. Bellamy . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		W. K. Forsyth . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
1881.	E. C. Smith . . . . .	Debater's Medal.	1892.	J. B. Wharey . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	H. L. Smith . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.		J. B. Wharey . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	R. L. Ryburn . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		John Wakefield . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
1882.	R. M. McKay . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		C. E. Hodgin . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	E. W. Smith . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.	1893.	W. K. Forsyth . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
	S. F. Telfair . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		W. K. Forsyth . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
1883.	R. L. Ryburn . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		C. E. Hodgin . . . . .	Orator's Medal.
	E. B. McGilvary . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.		L. E. Wells . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	T. B. Finley . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.	1894.	C. F. Rankin . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
1884.	V. P. Leovy . . . . .	Debater's Medal.		R. H. M. Brown . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
	C. A. Smith . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.		G. McL. Matthis . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.
	J. S. Carson . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.		J. C. Story . . . . .	Debater's Medal.
			1895.	V. J. Hill . . . . .	Essayist's Medal.
				J. E. Ward . . . . .	Declaimer's Medal.



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## ORGANIZATION.

Previous to the session of 1886-7 each literary society had its own library. Their society libraries occupied half of the space beneath the Phi. and Eu. Halls respectively. The disadvantages of this arrangement were so obvious that many of the more progressive students began in 1886 to agitate the question of consolidating the two libraries of the literary societies with that of the college. The college library was small and inadequate, and the society libraries were accumulating duplicates year by year and thus squandering much of the fund appropriated to them for the purpose of buying new books. In spite of the obvious advantages of consolidation, the plan encountered bitter opposition from the dense conservatives, who either had sentimental regard for the old libraries or were afraid the members of the literary societies would take less interest in the purchase of new books after the libraries had been merged into a union library.

However, the advocates of consolidation gained the day eventually, and the onerous task of removal and rearrangement of the books was vigorously undertaken by former opponents and advocates alike. Dr. Lodge, who was then filling with such marked success the Chair of Greek and German, and who is now winning laurels for himself in the Chair of Latin at Bryn Mawr, was the chief framer of the library constitution, which, with but few changes, is still in operation. Dr. Paul P. Barringer of the Davidson Medical School, now Professor of Physiology at the University of Virginia, offered many valuable suggestions as to the

arrangement of the books. Indeed the consolidation of the libraries was due mainly to his influence with the student body. In the summer of 1887 Messrs. M. C. Martin and C. G. Vardell, both of the class of '88, arranged the books in the alcoves of the large library occupying the whole front of the main building, and catalogued them by the card system. An attempt was made to arrange the books by subjects, and considering the difficulties of such a task, this work was remarkably well done. The two literary societies with lavish generosity equipped the whole library and reading room with all the necessary furniture. The new library was so much better than the old triple arrangement that in a very short time all were reconciled to the change.

After the expenses of removal and equipment, involving several hundred dollars, had been defrayed, new books were ordered until it soon became clear that a new arrangement and a new system of cataloguing was an imperative necessity. The card system can not be worked to advantage unless a library is officered by expert librarians, and the arrangement by subjects leads to continual disarrangement upon the arrival of new books. Owing to these difficulties chaos soon reigned, and the library committee determined to engage a library expert to rearrange and recatalogue the books and pamphlets. Dr. Brimm, of Columbia Theological Seminary, was engaged for the purpose. In his work he was faithfully aided by Mr. C. F. Rankin, class of '94. Without disturbing the

existing arrangement any more than was absolutely necessary, Dr. Brinn and Mr. Rankin gathered all the material necessary for a subject catalogue and a catalogue of authors. With painstaking care and accuracy the title, author, date and publisher of every book were faithfully recorded on slips prepared for the purpose. From these slips, alphabetized by authors, four handsome folio volumes were made, furnishing a complete catalogue of authors and their works. This work was done by Messrs. Rankin and Hodgkin of the class of '94. As each book contained in two places on it, alcove, shelf and number, these being repeated in the catalogue, any book whose author was known could be immediately found. But sometimes, of course, a title might be known and not the author's name. So a catalogue was next made under the direction of the chairman of the library committee assisted by two efficient helpers, Professor J. B. Wharey, '92, and Mr. J. M. McIntire, '95. Four large and handsomely bound folios similar to those in the catalogue of authors were the result of their labors. This second catalogue serves a double purpose. It enables one to find any book whose title is known, and it serves also as a guide to any one who is making a special study of a given subject.

All the books in the library are now elaborately catalogued except the government documents. Our library has a very complete set of these, and it is highly desirable that they should be minutely catalogued by subjects, for this is the only way in which their rich stores of information can be made available. This work will be long and tedious, but it will be gradually and thoroughly done until the government documents, which occupy nearly all of the third floor, are carefully catalogued and thus made serviceable to

the student of special topics. We have glanced thus far at the history of the library, let us look now at its

## GOVERNMENT AND PRESENT CONDITION.

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The management of the library is vested in a committee consisting of two members from each literary society and a member of the faculty, who acts as chairman and who has the casting vote in case of a tie. This committee meets every alternate Monday morning after the first Monday of each term. It has entire control of the library, but is under the supervision of the faculty and the two literary societies. The librarian, who is appointed by the faculty, is a member of the committee, but has no vote on pending questions. The constitution, to which reference has been already made, can be changed only with the consent of the two literary societies. They furnish most of the funds for the equipment of the library. During the eight years of its existence many of the latest and finest works in literature and science have been added to its stock of volumes, most of which had been chosen by Dr. Hepburn, sometime Professor of English at Davidson College. The aim has been to choose available rather than erudite works, so that while our library is probably behind many others for the purposes of special and minute investigation, it is well suited to the average student's needs. It is thus stronger in literature, history and economics, than in any other departments. Furthermore, most of the

books are the latest out on any given subject, and there is a very small amount of absolutely unavailable material. Hence, although it contains only about twelve thousand volumes, it is more useful than many a library of three times that number. The heavy

expenses incurred for cataloguing and furnishing are now well-nigh at an end, so that the library fees in the future may be devoted almost entirely to the purchase of new books and to the better equipment of the reading room.



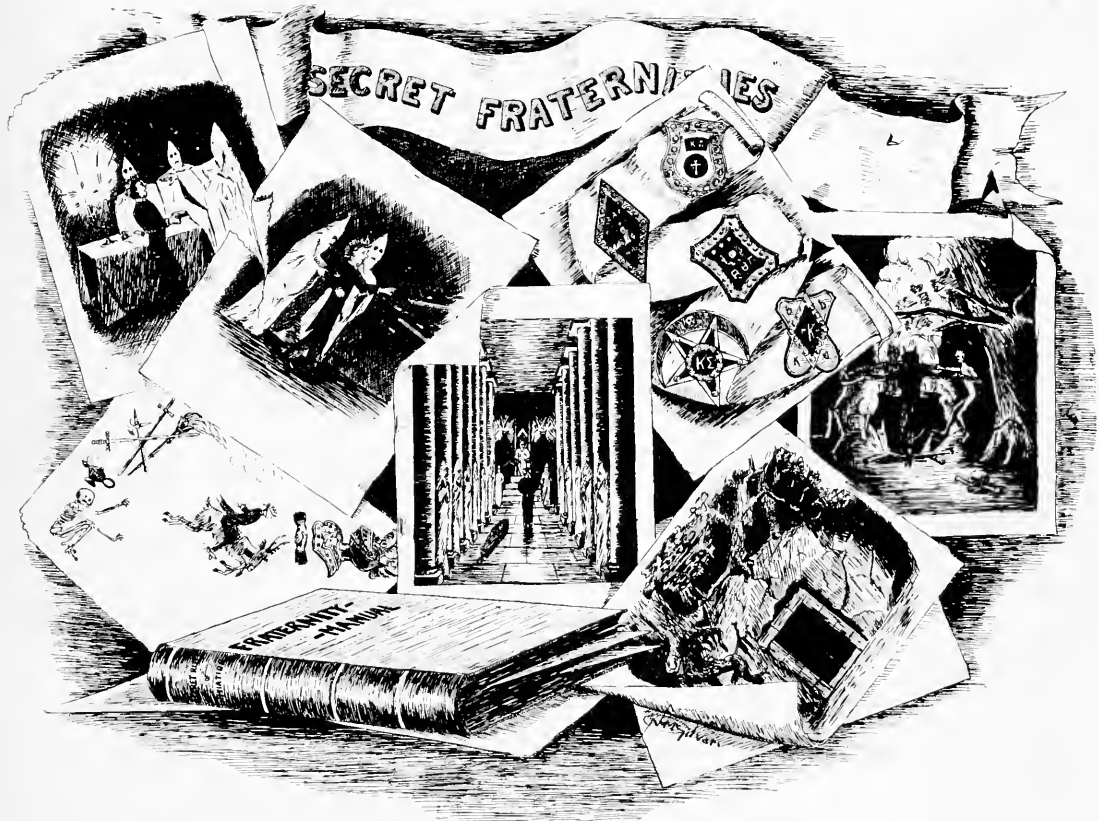
## Bank's Biblical Medalists

SINCE ESTABLISHMENT IN 1888.

J. A. McARTHUR . . . . .	1889
W. F. HOLLINGSWORTH . . . . .	1890
J. A. TILLINGHAST . . . . .	1891
C. M. RICHARDS . . . . .	1892
J. H. GREY . . . . .	1893
M. E. SENTELLE . . . . .	1894

## THE MIDNIGHT HOUR.

In the beautiful, mystical tide,  
When we hear not a sound nor a breath;  
When the gruesome shadows hide  
And the earth is as still as death;  
When the moon, as it roves through the sky,  
Like the ghost of the sun is seen,  
When its crystalline beams from on high  
Shroud the earth in a silvery sheen;  
When the stars are all shining in love  
With a solemn and calm delight  
From the depth of the blue above  
It is then that I love the night.  
Oh! 'tis then that I love to dwell  
'Neath the moon and the stars and the sky;  
In the vast solitude of their spell.  
All the things of the world pass by;  
While the infinite stillness of space  
Fills my soul with a wandering awe  
As I ponder in efforts to trace  
Its changeless, immutable law,  
And my spirit is lost in the might  
Of its deep, mysterious power,  
As I wander in raptured delight  
In this mystical, magical hour.



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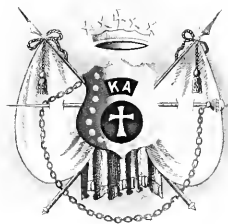
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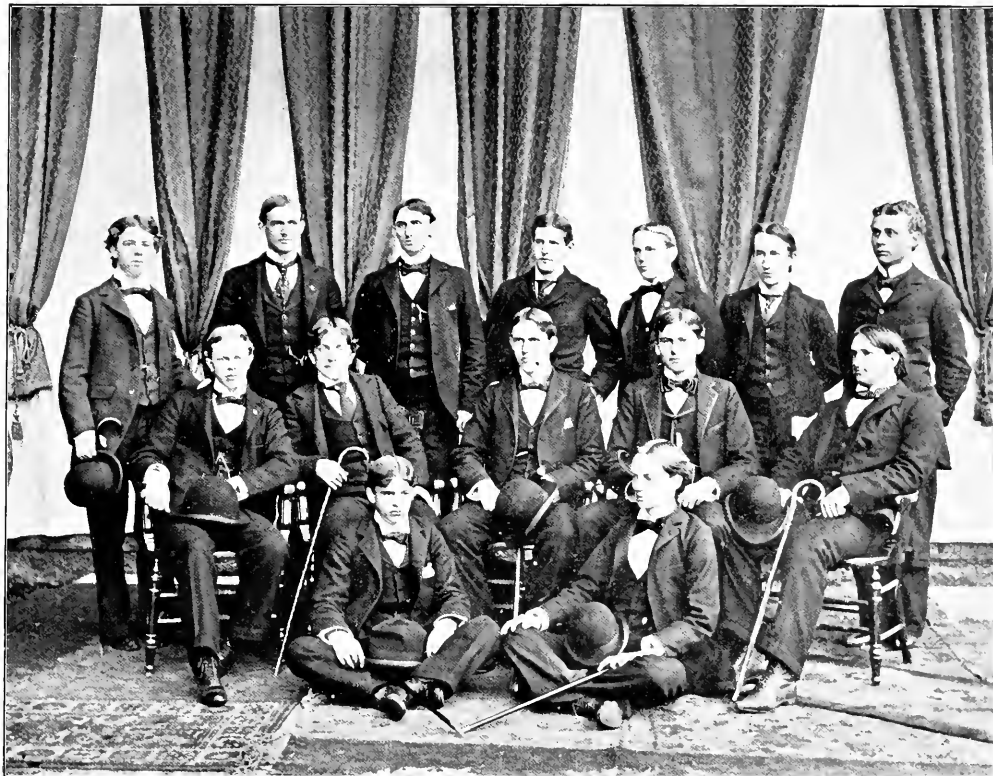
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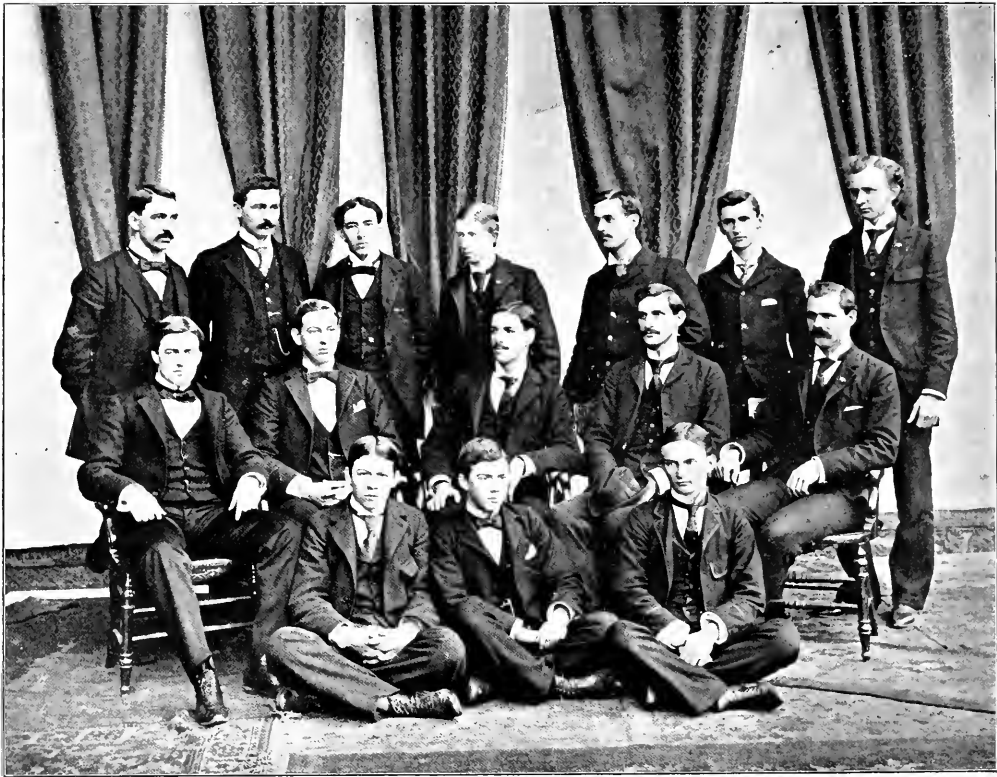
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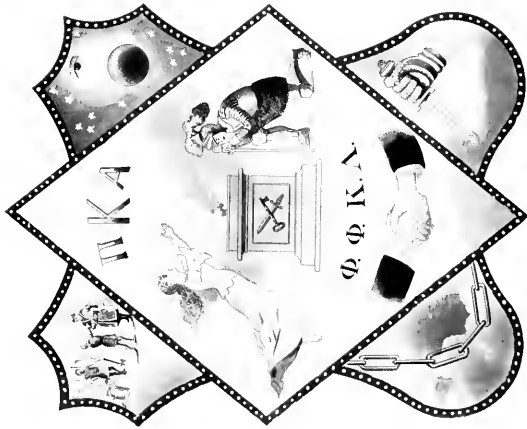
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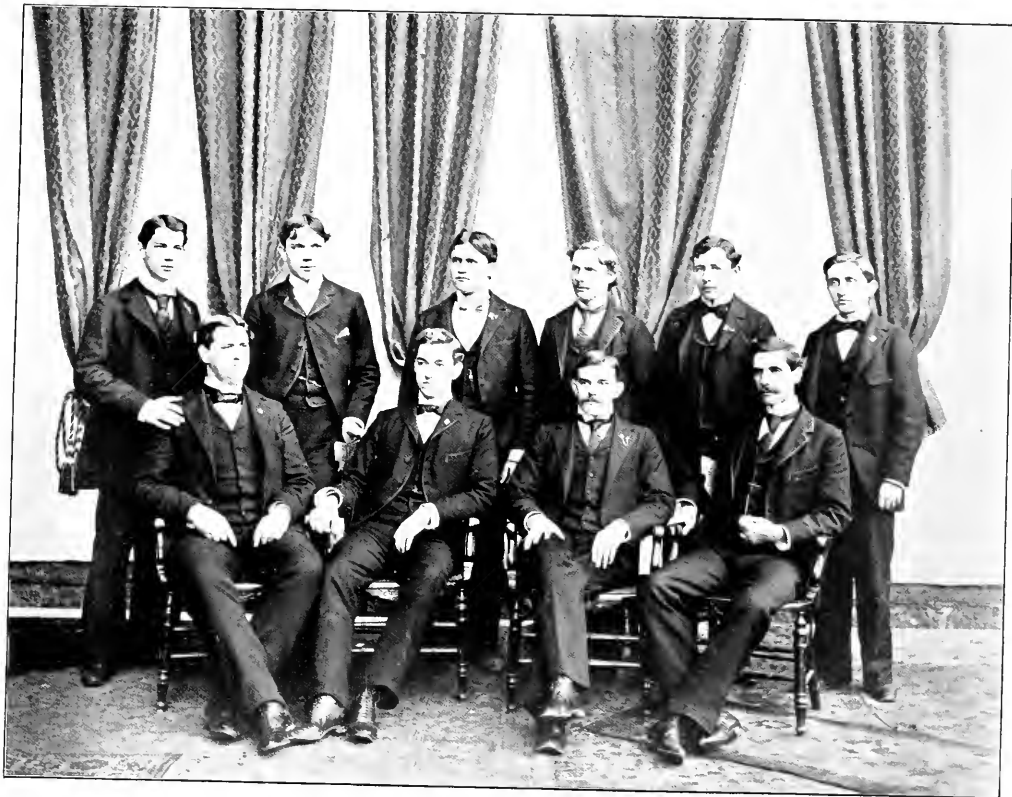
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Close to this heart of mine,  
So long ago I felt your arms  
About my neck entwine.

So long ago I heard you swear,  
"Forever and a day."

So long ago I sealed the vow,  
And, parting, went away.

*So long ago?*—Again I stand,  
And read the old love light,  
The while you swear you love me now,  
Just as you did—*last night*.



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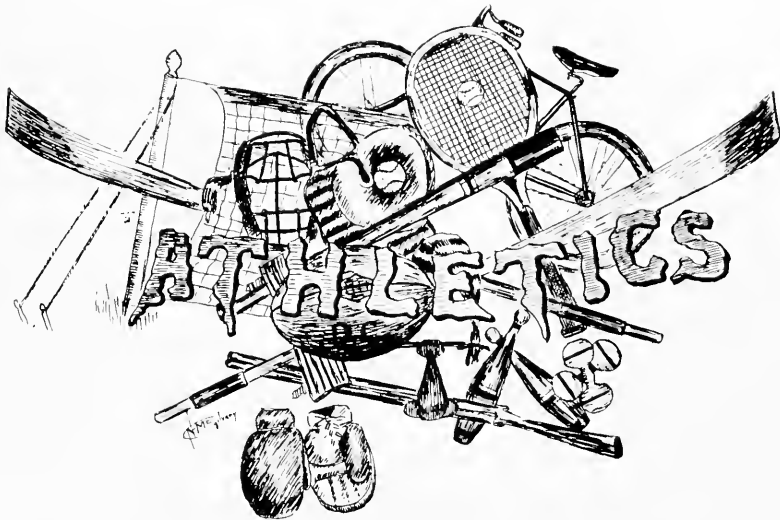
A lovely thing, a day in spring,  
When grass is fresh and green,  
When evening sun is all ablaze,  
And dyes the clouds in brilliant rays,  
As through the skies they slowly roll,  
Bright in its azure sheen.

Beneath the trees the evening breeze  
Is murmuring soft and low.  
It hulls my lazy, lingering sense,  
And soothes me into indolence.  
While dreams of love float o'er my soul,  
Rapt in a golden glow.

And castles fair I build in air  
Of evanescent dreams,  
Of beauties fragile fabric made,  
Their silvery texture is inlaid  
With fairest faintest tints and hues,  
Caught from the fading beams.

Oh, fair they seem as there they gleam  
Before my drowsy eyes.  
Those visions wild of fame and love,  
That so alluring float above,  
Tho' frailer far than softest dew  
Dropt from nocturnal skies.

But still 'tis sweet, in days replete  
With all the joys of spring,  
To lie in lazy, listless mood,  
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And dream of love or youthful hope,  
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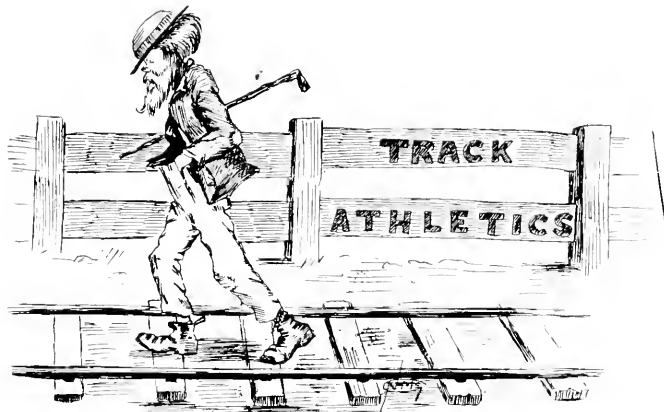


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"GROVE SET." Hammond. Johnston. Wilson E. L. Hagan.	"JUNIOR SET." McGeachy. Gaston. Bailey. McGilvary.	"DAVIDSON DAILEY." Wooten. Phifer. Webb. Foy.	"TRILEY." Eskridge. Beaty. Turner. Hyde.	"RAZOR RACKET." Woodside. Matthews R. K. Wright. Dick.	



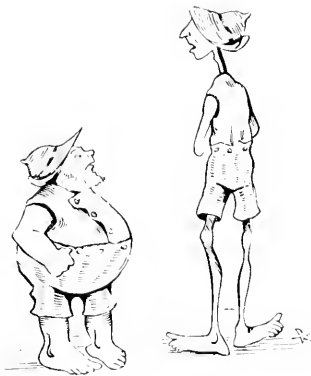
### Annual Field Day.

OF THE DAVIDSON COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, MAY 7, '94.

EVENTS.	WINNERS.	TIME, HEIGHT OR DISTANCE.	EVENTS.	WINNERS.	TIME, HEIGHT OR DISTANCE.
100 yards dash . . . .	E. L. Wilson, '95 . . . .	10 $\frac{3}{4}$ sec.	One-mile race . . . .	L. C. Vass, '94 . . . .	5 min. 0 sec.
Half-mile walk . . . .	E. L. Wilson, '95 . . . .	3 min. 14 sec.	One-fourth mile race, E. L. Wilson, '95 . . . .		57 sec.
Three-legged race . . .	Wooten and Wolfe . . . .	16 sec.	Throwing hammer . . .	M. Montgomery, '95 . . .	87 feet.
100-yard hurdle race, G. M. Matthis, '96 . . . .		15 $\frac{1}{2}$ sec.	Running high jump. R. H. M. Brown, '94 . . . .		5 feet 8 in.
Relay race (1 mile) four relays.	McDowell, '94	. . . . . 4 min. 5 sec.	Potato race . . . . .	M. Wooten, '96 . . . . .	1 min. 6 sec.
	Schenck, '94		Pole vault . . . . .	M. Wooten, '96 . . . . .	9 feet 5 in.
	Parks, '94		Tug of war . . . . .	Class '95.	
	Vass, '94.				

### Summary.

Class of '94 . . . . .	Two events.
Class of '95 . . . . .	Five events.
Class of '96 . . . . .	Three events.
Class of '97 . . . . .	None.



# • Gymnasium •

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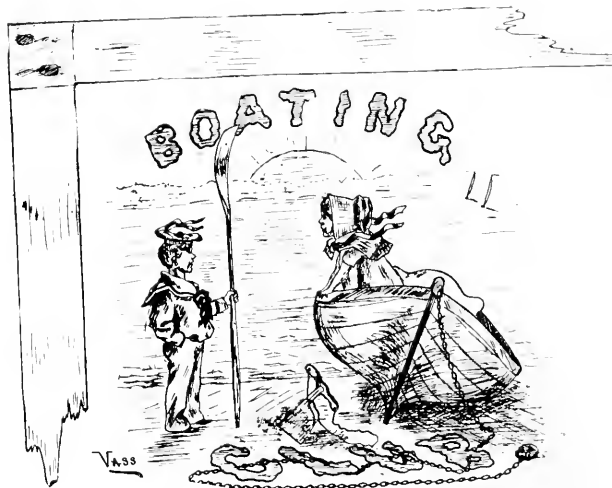
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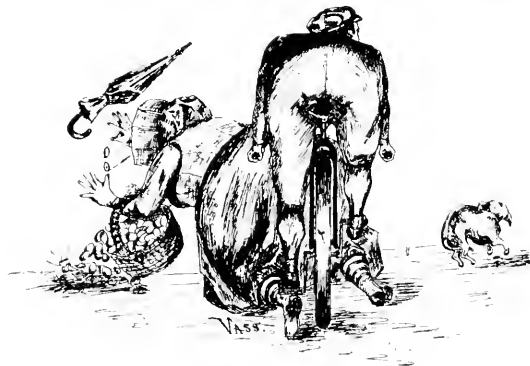
White.	Wilson J. L.	Ramspeck.	Chambers.	Dodge.	Allen.
Young.	Wilson J. W.	Vass.	McGeachy.	Hardie M.	Spence.
Wilson H. W.	Johnston.	Hagan.	Dawson.	Hardie E.	Simpson.
Foy.	Lamb.	Neave.	Woodside.	Nunn.	

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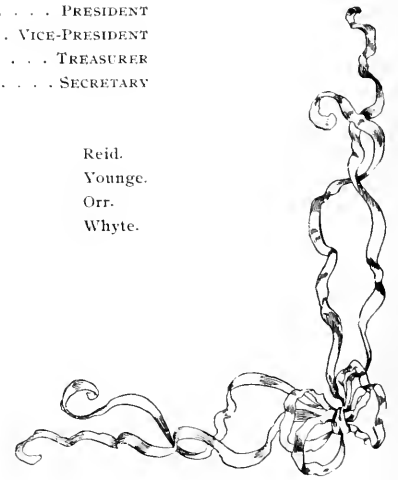
**BANQUET**  
FIRST MONDAY IN MAY.

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## My Rainy-Day Hearth.

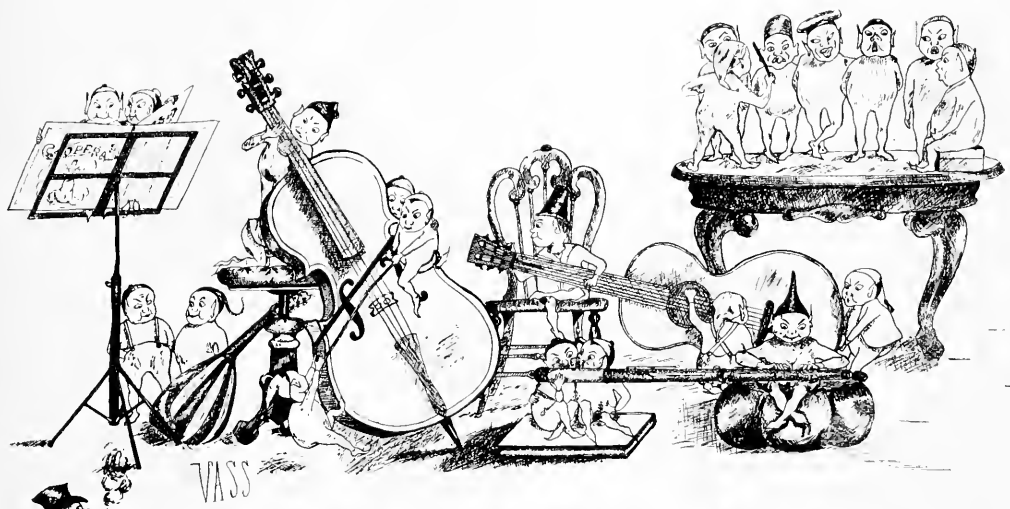


In mournful melody the melancholy rain  
Sobs fitfully upon the sodden roof above;  
Disconsolate the wind bemoans in joyless strain  
Among the boughs departed summer hope and love.

Damp sheets of floating mist are borne before the blast  
To fold in phantom shrouds the tops of spectral pines  
That nod and sway and whisper each to each aghast,  
And tossing wild their arms, make weird, uncanny signs.

The wary denizens of wood and field are still;  
The wild fox, sulking, seeks his lonesome den and mate;  
The glooming owl gloats o'er the darkness on the hill,  
Where woven forest shades the struggling rays belate.

Ye gusts that herald winter, comfortless and cold,  
I bid you welcome! Fraught with reeky vapors, blow!  
To me your dirges sound like mellow anthems old,  
Before my hearth your gloom is lost in golden glow.



# MUSICAL.





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F. H. Wardlaw.  
C. S. Matthews.  
A. G. Little.

#### SECOND BASSOS.

E. S. Vass.  
N. H. McGilvary.  
R. S. Eskridge.  
D. P. McGeachy.

### DATES.

November 28th, November 29th, April 27th, April 28th, June 12th.

# CHAPEL CHOIR.



D. P. McGeachy, Leader.

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| S. W. DuBose, 1st Tenor. | A. G. Little, 1st Bass.   |
| C. T. Carr, 1st Tenor.   | D. P. McGeachy, 1st Bass. |
| T. D. Johnson, 2d Tenor. | G. M. Matthis, 2d Bass.   |
| E. L. Wilson, 2d Tenor.  | R. S. Eskridge, 2d Bass.  |

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G. D. White.

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## JUNIOR QUARTETTE.

### MEMBERS.

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T. D. Johnson, 2d Tenor.

D. P. McGeachy, 1st Bass.  
G. M. Matthis, 2d Bass.



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## THE VIOLET.

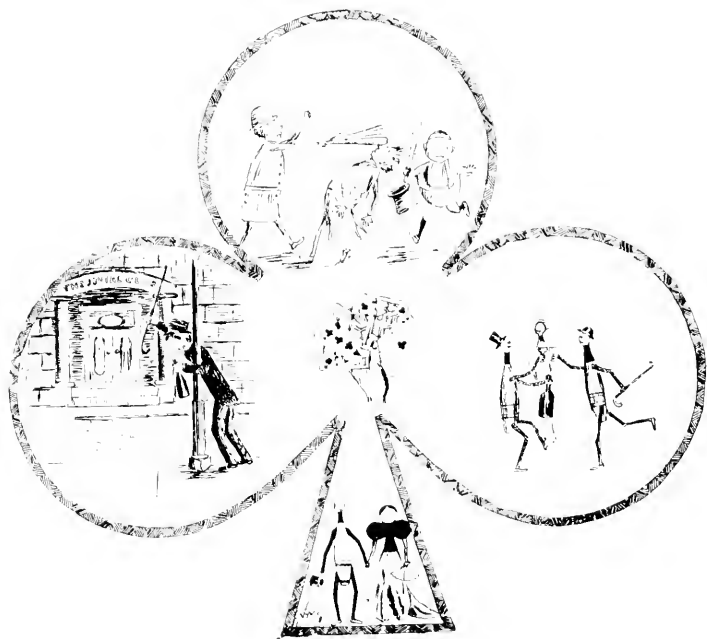
Fragile little violet,  
Dainty little gem,  
Thou art nature's darling pet,  
With thy dewy fragrance wet,  
Bending on thy stem.

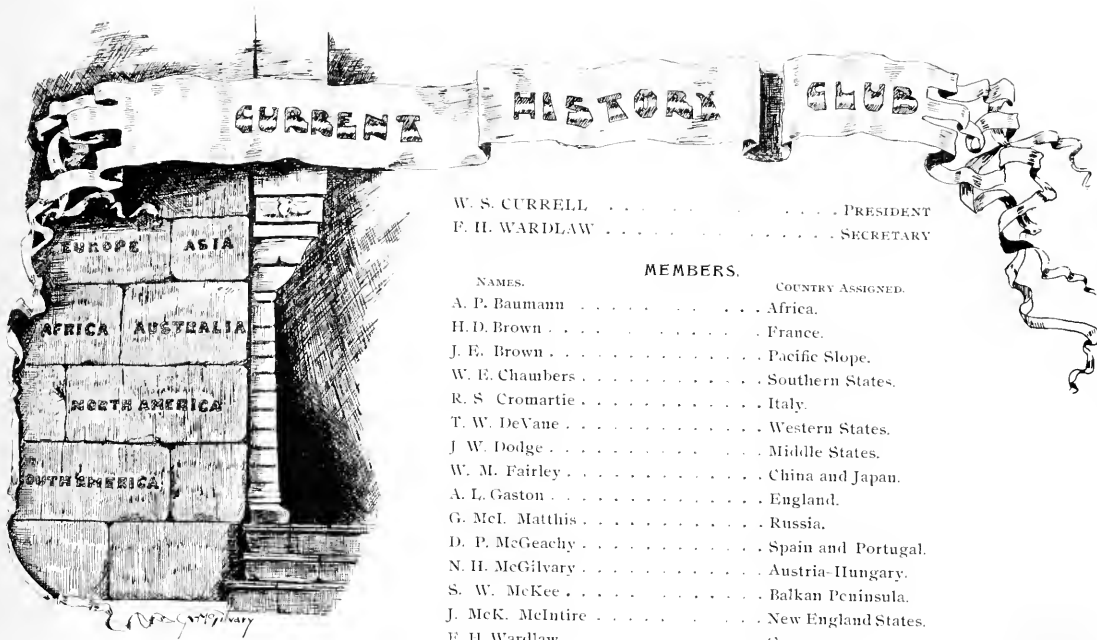
Right across thy hiding-place  
Slants a golden beam,  
Shining with an airy grace,  
O'er thy bright and winsome face,  
Lovely as a dream.

Bluest in thy azure blue,  
Deep as Southern skies,  
Violet, thy fairest hue  
Glow's 'neath crystal drops of dew  
Like my lady's eyes.

How thy fragrance fills the air  
Far beyond all art!  
Surely 'tis a tiny prayer  
Wafting forth an incense rare  
Welling from thy heart.

Oh, I love thee, violet,  
Darling little flower!  
Nature on thy head has set  
Lavish gifts without regret,  
Beauty's potent power.





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J. E. Brown . . . . .	Pacific Slope.
W. E. Chambers . . . . .	Southern States.
R. S. Cromartie . . . . .	Italy.
T. W. DeVane . . . . .	Western States.
J. W. Dodge . . . . .	Middle States.
W. M. Fairley . . . . .	China and Japan.
A. L. Gaston . . . . .	England.
G. McL. Matthis . . . . .	Russia.
D. P. McGeachy . . . . .	Spain and Portugal.
N. H. McGilvary . . . . .	Austria-Hungary.
S. W. McKee . . . . .	Balkan Peninsula.
J. McK. McIntire . . . . .	New England States.
F. H. Wardlaw . . . . .	Germany.

## △ △ CURRENT HISTORY CLUB △ △

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During the present session Historical and Practical Politics and Congressional Government have been taught for the first time in the history of Davidson College. A keen interest was naturally aroused in so live, so suggestive a theme, coming as it did while a great national election was pending. Hence the members of the class, at the suggestion of the professor in charge of this department, determined to organize a current history club for the purpose of discussing the issues of the day. Each member had a country assigned to him, as in the foregoing list, and was expected to report from time to time the important events that were happening in that country. Besides these informal reports, special topics of discussion were assigned for each meeting. The Japan-China War, Taumany Hall, the German Emperor,

the Future of the House of Lords and Kossuth were some of the interesting themes of the club. At first the meetings were bi-monthly, but afterward they were held every week. In no case did they last longer than an hour and a half. Owing to the pressure of the spring work the club disbanded about the middle of March. It is needless to argue the importance of making such a club a permanent institution, even if it can be kept up only five months out of the nine. Students live so much more in the past than they do in the present that many a college graduate, when he leaves his alma mater at Commencement, is more familiar with the Roman Forum and the Grecian Agora than he is with the German Reichstag and the English House of Parliament.



	RAMSPECK	VASS	CHAMBERS	WHITE	NUNN	MULLISTER	MINTIRE		
HAGAN	MATTHEWS	LAMB	BAILEY	MARTIN	LITTLE	NEAVE	BAUMANN	HALL T. J.	
SPEERS		WILSON	FARR	HARDIE M.		HALL H.	HARDIE E		

**GERMAN CLUB.**

# German Club.



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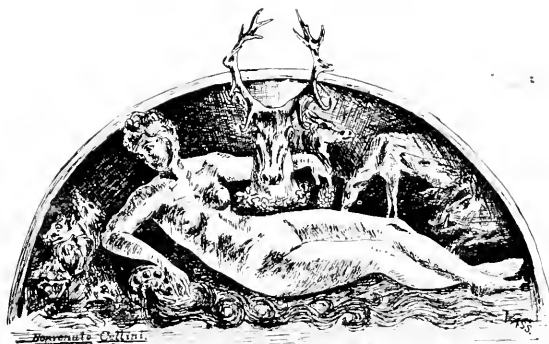
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COMMENCEMENT BANQUET, JUNE 12.



# THE PSYCHIC SOCIETY



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R. B. Knox, S. M.

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W. M. Fairley, A. C.

J. W. Neave, A. C.

## SEANCES.

Sunday Nights, 12 A. M.

## INCANTATION.

Double, double, toil and trouble;  
Fire burn and cauldron bubble.



# CONSOLATION CLUB.

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M. Hardie.	J. W. Dodge.	C. S. Matthews.
A. L. Gaston.	J. W. Neave.	
J. M. Farr.		

## SPREADS

THE FIRST SATURDAY NIGHT IN EACH MONTH.

Those honored with the "first degree" are yea and verily the pure in heart who have abstemiously withheld themselves from the follies and frivolities of this world's (Davidson) society, and have not broken bread with the Gentiles.

The "second degree" marks those who in a moment of supreme temptation fell a prey to the wily

arts of evil and participated in vanities of which they repented in bitter tears of anguish.

The "honorary" title distinguishes those who willfully lead lives of fashion, but whose ethereal souls fit them for higher spheres. They should be members, but are not.



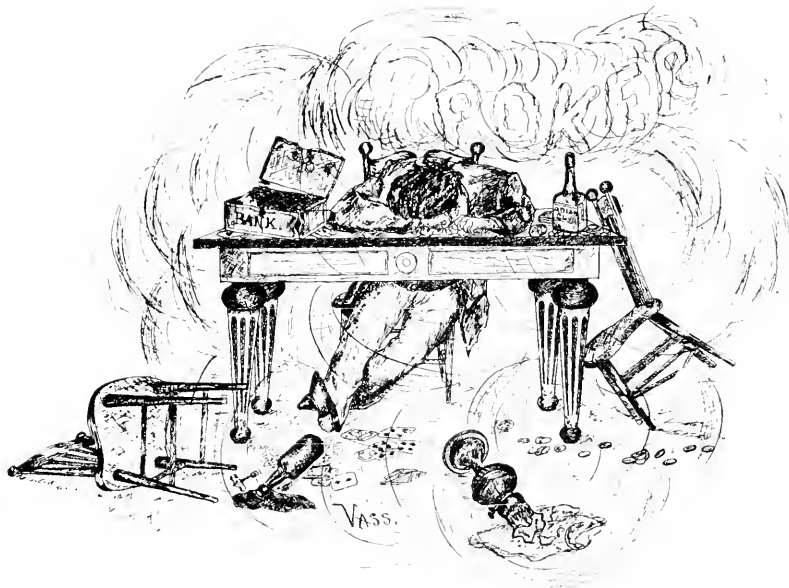
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MEETS ONLY ON 32D DAY OF EACH MONTH.

# KNIGHTS OF SHATRANJ.

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BANQUET AND CHAMPIONSHIP GAME LAST MONDAY IN FEBRUARY

## MEMBERS.

(IN ORDER OF PROFICIENCY.)

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Edgar Dawson.	H. J. Mills.
M. King.	S. W. DuBose.
J. W. Dodge.	



## ONLY LEARNING.

I sometimes doubt and wonder sadly  
Why that love which you and I  
Saw budding in the golden summer  
Without bloom should fade and die.

Ah, me! Once I loved so dearly  
Your sweet girlish form and face,  
Which the girlish heart within you  
Taught to speak its tender grace.

Yet a faint hope whispers solace,  
Love now lives and can not die;  
You were only children learning  
*How* to love by and by.

Was it strange that then I loved you?  
My own heart still answers "No.  
Strange, the rather, that between us,  
Love was withered long ago."

When I think of you now, often  
I am sorry that 'twas so—  
Sorry that this bud we cherished  
Should have withered long ago.



THE OLD CHAPEL.



## DAVIDSON COLLEGE IN THE "FORTIES."

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It was the day of small things with Davidson College in the decade of the "forties," but it was the day of beginnings and the prelude to the larger and nobler achievements of later times, and for this reason, if for no other, it is worthy of attention and admiration. The college opened in '37 and the first class was graduated in '40. Many of the students had just come from the farm and the work shop, and the teachers were fresh from college or from the pulpit and country school-room. The trustees were from the neighboring pulpits or were rural ruling elders, utterly destitute of any experience in college affairs. These inexperienced men got together, put up a few buildings and with the aid of the catalogues of Princeton and Chapel Hill compiled a course of study and began work. It must have demanded a large amount of courage and faith in God to cheer them in the great enterprise. Happily they were so isolated from all other institutions that no comparisons could be instituted. There were no railroads, telegraphs or intercollegiate baseball or football games to bring different colleges together, and postage being at the rate of twenty-five cents for a double sheet letter, epistolary correspondence was a luxury but rarely

indulged in. Only three professors, including the president, were at work for the first dozen years, and they taught everything, and all day long, even teaching one recitation before early breakfast. Well do we remember—the few of us who remain—how we used to be aroused from sweet morning slumber by the clanging of the bell at sunrise or before, and because we tried to snatch just five minutes more sleep, had to rush to roll-call and to prayers half dressed and making our toilet on the way. As it was the style then to wear long cloaks and top-boots, it was not an uncommon thing for a lazy Senior who did not go on recitation to add just these two articles of apparel to his sleeping outfit and postpone further toilet arrangements for another hour. The Freshmen were required to occupy the front seats at prayers and church, and next behind them sat the Sophs, then the Juniors, and next the door the Seniors. It was an unproved hypothesis that the Seniors were most likely to behave well in chapel, while the poor Fresh were supposed to need to be under the closest surveillance. After the lapse of many years I believe the reverse to be true. Prayers over, we rushed to the lecture rooms below, where we wrestled with

Davies or Olmsted, or Paley or Vattel, with Horace and Juvenal, or perhaps Demosthenes on the Crown, or perhaps Aristotle "ΠΕΡΙ ΜΕΤΑΛΟΓΙΑΣ," or "ΠΕΡΙ ΜΙΚΡΟΛΟΓΟΥ ΚΑΙ ΤΟΥ ΧΑΥΝΟΥ." I may remark in passing that we got most of our Greek from a two volume Greek Anthology entitled "ΑΝΑΛΕΚΤΑ ἙΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΜΕΙΖΟΝΑ, sive Collectanea Græca, Majora, ad usum Academicæ Juventutis Accommodata." Of course the reader understands that we did not have time to pronounce that long name, but called it "Majora" for short. And of course he will further understand that the writer had to take down the old volumes to transcribe this formidable title page, and that he was sufficiently shocked on opening the volume to see the "notas philologicas, quas partem scripsit, partem collegit," with which the beautiful Greek page was interlineally illustrated during the '40's. It is to be hoped that students in the '90's do not decorate their text-books as did students fifty years ago. Decorating, I think, has been turned over to the girls, who decorate chinaware, while the boys have turned their attention to importations from the islands of Shetland. After the enjoyment of this intellectual nourishment we were eager for more gross and solid refreshments, which "old Aunt Dan" or "old Lew" furnished at \$6 a month—dinner and supper thrown in. It will be observed from the above that we were not very reverential in our appellatives in those days, having the bad habit of prefixing the epithet "old" to the prenomen even of our venerable president, as well as our professors and their wives. And there prevailed the further bad habit of gulping down our rations in about six minutes. As there were no railroads within a hundred

miles of the college, with their regulation of "twenty minutes for dinner," we had to be guided by our intuitive perception of appropriateness, and get through the operation in the least possible time. It is a wonder that any one of us is left to-day to tell the story after fifty years. There are more than a score of the men of the '40's still alive, but it is a noticeable fact that they eat leisurely enough now, some of them even keeping their lips closed during the process of mastication—the sound of grinding is low.

I said that these professors taught everything. We regarded our venerable president as a living encyclopedia. This was owing, in part, to the fact that we did not know quite as much as he did and were unable to gauge the contents of his intellect. But after the lapse of half a century, he still looms up as a man of fine intellectual powers and a range of knowledge possessed by few of his associates. He taught Chemistry, Natural, Moral and Mental Philosophy, Mineralogy, Geology, Evidences of Christianity, Rhetoric, Logic, International Law, and at one time Mathematics. It was generally believed that he could, without special preparation, have taken any class in college and taught as well as the regular professor. Being a very busy man he was perhaps too much inclined to accept the teaching of the text-book without special investigation. Thus he accepted the doctrine of expediency in morals along with Paley and the sensationalism of Locke, and made us accept it for the time being. Our examinations were entirely oral, and an examining committee was appointed by the board of trustees. Dr. Cyrus Johnson, of Charlotte, used to demur to our answers on moral and mental philosophy, and then would come a tilt

between the doctors that would consume a half hour or so of our time, very much to our delight. For our president was militant, and would readily take up the cudgel in our defense and his own. When the doctors disagreed the disciples were freed from further examination.

In addition to working all day our teachers received very small salaries. The president, Dr. Williamson, lived in the house now occupied by Col. Martin, and received \$1,200 per annum; Prof. S. B. O. Wilson, of the language chair—all languages—resided in "Tammany;" Professor Mortimer D. Johnston, of the chair of mathematics, lived in "Danville," standing on the ground now occupied by Dr. Harding's residence. His father-in-law, Mr. Dan Alexander, ran a boarding-house there, and Professor Johnston lived there. Mr. Lewis Dinkins ran the Stewart's Hall and Mrs. T. W. Sparrow ran another at "Sparrowburg." Dr. Williamson moved into the new president's house in 1849. It was the same year that the society halls were erected. Previous to that time the Phi Society occupied the lower room of the old chapel next to the hall, and the Eu. Society the corner room across the passage. Of course we had to be exceedingly cautious in order to keep the important secrets of the societies from each other. These secrets were the names of the officers, the amount of the initiation fees and semi-annual dues. These secrets were jealously guarded and successfully kept.

Our college instruction was of a rather general nature, as none of our professors were specialists. We did not trouble ourselves about such small matters as why the subjunctive mood was used in one connection and the indicative in another. We sup-

posed that Horace and Cicero knew how to use them, and our business was to translate and not compose Latin. The writer would have been glad to know a little more about Latin Composition when he came to prepare his Latin salutatory for Commencement. But it passed the professor's scrutiny and had a good Latin ring in its syllables, and so got its regulation cheers at Commencement. Nor did we spend much time in scientific experiments. We had an electrical machine—the one, I think, still standing in Professor Smith's lecture room—with which our professor produced some sparks, tried to charge a Leyden jar, shocking things in general, including a circle of students on one occasion.

There was also an old galvanic battery in a chronic state of innocuous desuetude. The professor told us one day he would make Esom clean it up and he would then exhibit its peculiar powers the next day. Esom was the president's slightly colored body-servant and general factotum, and was popularly known as the vice-president. Just how hard Esom tried to put the machine in order we never knew, but it was an utter failure in the way of generating a galvanic current. We were a little more fortunate in two other experiments. One was the dropping of a piece of potassium into a glass of water. It ignited at once and burned beautifully, much to our amazement. The other was the mixing of some chlorate of potassa, if I am not mistaken, and something else and making Esom strike them with a hammer. Esom had been there before and was so disgusted with the results that he turned his face away and in the first effort failed to hit the pile of salts. But being rebuked for his cowardice he took better aim next

time and produced a loud explosion. There were some glass jars and retorts and funnels and tubes upon the shelves, but we never knew exactly what they were for. I think there was also some litmus paper about, and there is a lingering impression that it would change color on the application of certain acids. Perhaps that impression was obtained from the books, as there is no memory of seeing it done.

We had a considerable collection of minerals, and a section of a tremendous grapevine in the laboratory. The minerals embraced a number of quartz crystals, some asbestos, a scale of itacolomite, some granite soapstone, marble, limestone, trap-rock and other things. But when we recited mineralogy our descriptions of the several minerals were not always as accurate as they might have been. Some of the class had a general stock of descriptive terms to be used upon all occasions. For instance, a certain mineral might be tasteless, odorless and colorless, of a dark brown shade or slate hue, shading off into pale green, blue and white. On hearing such a description the professor would say, "Yes, yes, it certainly does possess some of the properties you mention." And as the method of marking and grading was of a general character, and the professor seemed to carry the marks in his head, we never knew till graduating time just how we stood. As far as we understood the method of grading, "x" stood for excellent, "g" for good, "m" for moderate and "b" for bad. Whether "d" stood for detestable and "e" for excruciating we could not find out. But somehow or other the most of us who stayed long enough managed to pull through, except one fellow who spent four years at Davidson in the "prep" class and then went to Chapel Hill and spent three years

in the Fresh class. He never could pull through anywhere. One of our number, on final Senior examination, defined an ellipse to be a long roundish figure, something like that (making the figure on the blackboard). He evidently knew what an ellipse was like.

These are specimens of the faults and blemishes of a bygone age, when teachers were few and hard-worked and the facilities for teaching exceedingly small. But there were excellences, too, the capitulation of which would be no novelty. The professors were not ignoramuses, but graduates of colleges—of Princeton, Chapel Hill and Washington—average grade scholars of the day, faithful, conscientious and self-denying. They were not specialists and did not come with "M. A.'s" and "Ph. D.'s" from the University of Virginia and Johns Hopkins University, but with students of capacity and ambition to make something of themselves they could conduct their pupils along the road to sound scholarship. And many of the graduates of the '40's have become useful, successful, honored citizens—scholars, physicians, lawyers, judges on the supreme court bench, statesmen, brave soldiers and devout and useful ministers. One of your number desires to salute you who have been spared to behold the '90's.

On those long perfervid days of June, July and August back in the '40's—for Commencement came on the second Thursday of August then—on those long and sultry days you might have seen, in the late afternoon, a group of students on the campus under a large oak tree that stands, or stood, in front of the old chapel, about fifty yards from the door, with their long-stemmed pipes, enjoying an evening gossip. White coats, white vests, white trousers and white panama hats were then the style. Some wore long

blue calico hunting-shirts or studying-gowns, reaching below the knees. The topics of conversation would be various. But sometimes a dignified Senior would relate traditions of the olden times, from '37 or '40—the days of manual labor. From the stories told it appeared that the boys did not love work even when Davidson College was a Manual Labor College. One gossip told how he had heard that there were at least three bushels of clevis-pins, hoes, axes and heel screws under the chapel floor, thrown there by the "laborer" that was appointed to use it the next day. Another had a story of a pig tied to the bell-rope and furnished with enough corn to last him till the laborers got afield. The corn exhausted, the pig would pull the bell-rope and the workers would rush home from their field tasks. Then there would be stories of the time when the president bought a new carriage and sat in it the first night, and was hauled in it two miles, and just about the time the boys were leaving it called to them and directed them to haul it home again. The stories were old ones then, and have been told and retold for a hundred years. But we believed that the events had occurred at Davidson, "Ben Bolt" has been recently revived by its introduction into Trilby, but it was a popular college song in the '40's. So were "Wait for the Wagon," "Old Dan Tucker," "Philadelphia Girls," "The Blue Tailed Fly," "Life on the Ocean Wave" and "Old Uncle Ned." But there were no college glee clubs there then. Baseball and football were not yet invented. But "alley cat," "shinny" and jumping

"half-hammond" (*how do you spell it?*) were in vogue. In fact one noble Senior was so given to jumping from his steps in the evening that he was called "Toad" for short. He now wears a beaver hat and spectacles and walks with a staff, a reverend divine.

We used, at certain periods, to have two or three declamations from the rostrum before the whole college in connection with evening prayers. Those were trying times, especially to the Sophs and Fresh. It made some fellows sick—unable to attend. Others would try and sadly fail. Poor "Quince" tried it one evening and began leisurely thus: "Fellow soldiers, you have descended like an avalanche from the heights of the Appenines." Then a dead stop. But he tried again—"Fellow soldiers. You have descended like an avalanche from the heights of the appenines." Another stop. But he tackled it again still more rapidly—"Felsold, youvesendliklancheightslep n i n e s." Stop again and some cheers. One more effort—"Feloldscendlanchnines." He then shot himself like an avalanche from the rostrum amid tumultuous cheering. But the eloquence was not all of this class. I remember one whose powers were so great that he made us all look at a certain window, expecting to see some one looking in. Noble fellow. He consecrated himself to the work of the ministry, and after about ten years of service died about thirty years ago.

But time would fail us to record all the scenes that rise up as we pull the thread. So let the end be here.

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## THE DAVIDSON OF TO-DAY.

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January 3, 1895.

DEAR JACK :

You remember, I know, though some twenty years have slipped by since then, that eventful epoch when you and I, with a few other knights of the midnight air, made the welkin ring at old Davidson—I need not say how. Fear, I am sure, has stamped that scene of revelry upon the minds of us both. In the midst of "horrid sights and shrieks and sounds unholy" a frenzied rumor ran through the terror-stricken crowd: "The colonel is abroad in the land." That crowd "melted away like mists before the morning sun," as we used to say in our Commencement speeches, and I have never heard that "it rose again like a phoenix from its ashes"—to cull another choice quotation from the same source.

Well, the colonel is loved and feared just as much to-day as he was then, and, *mutatis mutandis*, he ought to be. As I took my shrinking son and heir in to matriculate him as a Freshman (they do that sort of thing in more style now than they did in our day) I realized that "the noblest Roman of them all," now the bursar, with his crisp, epigrammatic speech, had the same mental vigor and vitality as of yore. For the sake of Auld Lang Syne, I stepped a few days later into his class-room. He has all the push and pro-

gressiveness of youth, so I recognized very little of the chemistry of two decades back. But that spiral thrust forward of the index finger to press a point home took me back to the olden time. The class-room is now so filled with desks for practical work in chemistry, and so many chemicals have been added, that you would hardly know the old room and the den behind it into which few of us ever peeped. The latter is now presided over by a competent and smiling assistant, who very courteously initiated me into its mysteries and told me how much had been added to the chemistry course within the last few years.

I next visited the department of the alert athlete who rules in the domain of the natural sciences. He is so full of electricity that when I shook his hand I felt a shock somewhat like yours when you caught hold of that Leyden jar in the physics room. I was charmed at the "prodigious" enthusiasm with which he let me into the mysteries of his extensive course in physics, and after I had heard him lecture I felt like taking a special course in dynamos myself.

I didn't have an opportunity of hearing the new mathematical professor discourse eloquently on the favorite study of the angels, as, I am told, he designates mathematics, but as I passed down the main street (not the *only* one now) I heard a gentleman

discussing with great vehemence the present status of the silver question in the United States. I was attracted by the clearness and vigor with which he argued and stopped to listen. I soon found he had read all the recent literature on the subject and had independent views of his own. I listened attentively for two hours and reluctantly left to fill an engagement. Five hours afterward I passed by the same spot and he was still discussing the same question—though now to a different audience. I soon saw that if I stopped a moment I was lost. I was getting fascinated again, so I tore myself away, secretly envying the students who sat at his feet. If some of his graduates don't occupy a chair in the United States Senate it will only be because the free silver craze has more vitality than I think it has.

Some days afterward I strolled into the old chapel and heard a portly gentleman lecturing on the Bible. You remember in our day we had homeopathic doses of it once a week with an allopathic extra on Sunday. Now, every class studies the Bible two to three times a week and has it supplemented by extensive lectures. I heard one of these, and found it exceedingly interesting. Remind me to tell you an excellent joke in it on "petrifications"—(in the joke, it was inimitably pronounced "peterfactions"). It is too long to tell here. Don't forget to remind me of this *very soon*, as I understand the joke is to be copyrighted shortly with all rights reserved. The Bible chair is a great addition to the college course. It is made so attractive that almost every student takes it as one of his electives.

All of the rooms beneath the old chapel are now occupied as class-rooms. As I stepped into one of them I found the professor reading in a modern Greek

newspaper about the president's Hawaiian policy. This seemed to me to be a startling innovation, but when he later on reduced Mother Goose's melodies to Logædic metres I was transfixed with astonishment and thought here's one man

"Can speak Greek  
As naturally as pigs squeak."

I wondered if to his colleague across the passage

"Latin was no more difficile  
Than to a blackbird 'tis to whistle."

I judge it isn't, for, though he has been here but a short time, he is winning his way rapidly and managing to get a lot of work out of his pupils, among whom—*horresco referens*—I noticed three girls. Shades of the olden time, what next? I begin to shudder for my boy, and don't know what will happen to him. You remember the old rhymes we both liked so well:

"A curious thing is love,  
It cometh from above  
And lighteth like a dove  
On some.

But some it never hits  
Unless it gives them fits  
And scatters all their wits.  
Ah, hum."

My Tom is at a very susceptible age, and I feel sure that when he gets into that French class-room he will conjugate *aimer* in all its moods and tenses and in at least *three* persons.

In the English professor's room, next door, I happened to strike lecture day, and noted the presence of six or seven ladies. But I found on inquiry that their

visits to this class-room were sporadic, occurring only at the bi-monthly lectures. You remember Miss Edgeworth says somewhere, "There is nothing like propinquity in the affairs of love." I felt, therefore, that this class-room was not so dangerous, as the propinquity was not so persistent. But I had very little time for these reflections as the lecture soon began. I tried to take a few notes just to see whether my hand had lost its cunning, but the lecturer's words tumbled over one another like boys at leap-frog with such rapidity that I soon dropped my pencil and tried to keep up with his movements. Something interested me, but I never could quite make out whether it was the lecturer or his lecture—or the ladies present. I was told by one of the Seniors that the greater part of the work for the English professor is done outside of the class-room in the form of abstracts, essays, compositions and various other written exercises, amounting in all to about six hundred a month for the four classes. I looked over the note-book of one Senior, who had kept an account of the number handed in since his Fresh year. The subjects ranged over the whole field of English literature from Beowulf to Browning, and the last abstract was 2564. No wonder the poor fellow had an abstracted air. (I get this off to remind you of some of our walks together.) By the way, he really did have a far-away look now and then and ran his hand through his hair (it was a foot and a half long and curled up at the ends) in a transcendental sort of way that reminded me very much of that stanza you used to get off with so much unction:

" Oh, to be wafted away  
From this black Acedama of sorrow,  
Where the dust of an earthly to-day  
Is the earth of a dusty to-morrow."

He looked so strange I asked him if he was sick. He said no, a thought had struck him. I asked him what kind of a thought. He said an unthought-like thought that was the soul of thought. I felt dazed at this answer but said nothing, as the subject was getting beyond me. [N. B. He was writing a poem for Quips and Cranks.—Ed. of Q. and C.] So I turned the subject deftly by asking him what he had in his note-book. He said mostly bouts rimés that he had written in his Soph year for the English professor, and a few little things of his own which he called Heart-Foam. (Jack, what are "bouts rimés"? I know you don't know, you needn't pretend to.) The verses in the note-book reminded me of Skelton's lines with a difference:

" Though my rhyme be ragged,  
Tattered and jagged,  
Rudely rain-beaten,  
Rusty moth-eaten,  
If ye take welle therewith,  
It hath in it *no* pithe."

After finishing the "heart-foam" poems, I felt like saying, with Hamlet: "Excellent, i' faith; of the chameleon's dish; I eat the air promised crammed." But I am glad he has written them. I have always thought that if a young man has a poem in him he ought to let it out. It will do less damage that way. But I must bring this long letter to a close. I am certainly impressed with the fact that Davidson has been true to the advice Lord Chesterfield gave to his godson, which I am told is the motto of the class of '98, "Non progredi est regredi." She has progressed and is progressing. Each member of the faculty seems to be bending his energies to keep her abreast with the times. The number of post-graduates is increasing



yearly, both here and at higher institutions. We did well in our day, Jack, but they do better now, and ought to. Twenty years makes a great difference in educational progress. But, good-bye. In another letter I shall tell you of the social life at Davidson.

Your affectionate chum,  
OBADIAH OLDSCHOOL.

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DAVIDSON, January 10, 1895.

DEAR JACK: I am glad you enjoyed my last letter, even if you had to do so under protest. I know you so well that I could have anticipated every one of your objections. Your letter reached me just as the shades of evening were falling fast (had you been here you would stop to calculate the velocity of their descent; you are such a precisian), and I was so impatient to answer your criticisms—for, like Iago, you are nothing if not critical—that I began to write immediately—regardless of the gathering twilight.

LATER, AFTER LAMPLIGHT.—So my letter is not "definite" enough, too few "statistics," "doesn't give adequate impressions of the faculty," "speaks too flippantly of that venerable body." Until I read that last clause I felt like discharging the venom of my spleen. I was so angry with you for being crass enough to mistake a letter of friendship for a catalogue or a congressional record. "Venerable body" is good. I wish you could see them! Why, I have seen the president himself after one of his well-told jokes the perfect embodiment of Milton's line:

"Laughter holding both his sides."

Yesterday evening I saw the colonel on the football ground watching a game between the Juniors and

Sophs. Well, I won't say what he did and said. I will draw no pen picture of the strange commingling of his legs and arms as he enthusiastically and vociferously applauded a good play, but I dare aver he would not *then* have been dubbed *Vir Venerabilis*. As for the other members of the faculty—well come and see them and find out what a solemn old owl you are.

Jack, you always were something of a prig, and you must excuse me if I have rapped you hard. You are so out of the world down there in Hampton county that you don't seem to realize that while you are swirling around in a little eddy of your own the world is moving on. The professor nowadays meets the student as a friend meets friend. There is no antagonism between them. Each is working for the other and both are trying to exorcise the same demon—ignorance. The professor inspires the student to spring from "crystal step to crystal step of that bright ascent which leads to the serene heights of knowledge," and is himself inspired by the glow of youthful enthusiasm to toil on and on, courting the society of "drudgery, the gray angel of success." Excuse me, dear Jack, I know I'm getting a little too rhetorical for a man of your severely simple tastes, but it is hard "to whip the offending Adam out of one." Don't you remember that night in the old En. when I soared so high on the subject "Inter-Stellar Saunterings," that a waggish Soph. pinned "My Stars!!!" on my back after I had sat down. If you don't remember this, I know you recall the epitaph that appeared next morning on the bulletin board:

HIC JACET  
OBADIAH OLDSCHOOL.  
GONE UP!  
SIC ITUR AD ASTRA.

"Enough of all this foolishness," I hear you exclaim impatiently. "Tell me something more about Davidson and its doings." Well, here goes: The mention of that oration in the Eu reminds me of one respect in which the Davidson of to-day is certainly behind the Davidson of our days. Last Saturday night I had a little leisure and went up to the dear old Eu. I hardly recognized it with its handsome opera chairs, Brussels carpet, delicate muslin curtains and glittering chandelier. With all this fine exterior I settled myself down to hear a splendid debate. The subject was a live one (we used to discuss some seedy old themes, but we made them hum, didn't we, Jack?), "Should the United States Control the Nicaragua Canal?" but the discussion was very dead indeed. Query: "Which is better, discussing a dead subject in a live way or a live subject in a dead way?" One fellow said the great advantage of the canal was that it connected the Gulf of Mexico with the Atlantic Ocean and thus threw New Orleans in direct communication with Liverpool and Calcutta. After the debate the hall rang with the cries "Oldschool!" "Oldschool!" and, of course, I had to give the boys a talk. I tell you I talked to them plainly, and told them they were neglecting one of the very finest parts of their college life—the one that would be richest in fruit after the college days were over. They listened to me soberly and I hope they will profit by some of my suggestions.

The sister society, the Phi, is just as fine looking inside as the Eu., and I am told its debates are no better than the Eu.'s. All this in the face of the fact the South needs great debaters more to-day than she has ever done during her whole history.

If you, Jack, with your acidulous temperament, had

been here, you would have dipped your pen in oil of vitriol and written to me in words that burn the fiery thoughts that breathed within you. But I, who am "as mild as the milk that dews the whisker of the unweaned kitten," must pass on to pleasanter themes. Only I should like those Phi.'s and Eu.'s to know that *I think what you would have written.*

But I am sure I could never tell them. They have treated me so well. One of them, a very gentlemanly fellow, gave up a whole day, and a *recitation* day at that, to the pleasant task (as he called it) of piloting me around the college. He showed me the beautiful glass chandelier in the Phi. hall, the *very* one under which Napoleon married Josephine [sic?], the finely furnished halls of the Greek letter societies, said to be the most beautiful in the South; the Y. M. C. A. hall, with its handsome parlor, commodious reading-room, gymnasium and tasteful auditorium—all a monument to the energy, enthusiasm and Christian zeal of Dr. H. L. Smith; lastly, the union library, containing the combined libraries of the Phi. the Eu. and the college—a well-chosen lot of books most conveniently catalogued. I was particularly pleased with the Y. M. C. A. hall. We had some fine religious meetings in our day, and many a noted minister in the Southern Presbyterian church can trace some of his deepest spiritual influence to the old Davidson days. But this Y. M. C. A. idea is an advance on our methods. The Y. M. C. A. acts as a center of circulation whence the Christian activity goes throbbing through every vein of college life. I believe a Christian ought to keep his Christ life as a spendthrift does his money—for circulation, and the Y. M. C. A. is one of the best common carriers of Christianity to our young men. But, more than this, as the hall has a gymnasium on

the first story the Y. M. C. A. serves as a sort of center for the athletic activity of the college. The boys here have more athletic sports than we had. Ball alley and baseball exhausted our repertoire. Now a day is set apart especially for athletics, and all sorts of games are on the programme. Athletic day comes some time in April. I saw last year's programme and it pleased me much. So far Davidson has not encouraged "peripatetic athletics," and Harvard, I am told, is trying hard to follow her example. But there's plenty of athletic diversion indoors and out, right here at home, and not quite so great a loss of time, money and morality as the peripatetic games entail.

Perhaps one of the greatest changes I notice at Davidson is the fullness of the social life as contrasted with our jejune existence in that particular. When we were here there were not half a dozen girls. Now I see them everywhere I turn. A merry round of varied entertainments gives every young man an opportunity to brush the cobwebs off his brain. If he has any histrionic talent, he has abundant opportunity to develop it in the numerous dramatic entertainments given from time to time. I attended one and was delighted with the songs and the spirited acting of the youthful Thespians. Altogether the lot of the young Davidsonian of to-day is cast in a pleasant place, and I am glad Tom will start his college career under such auspicious skies. By the way, I am worried about Tom. He seems to pass sleepless nights and he used

to sleep so soundly at home that I often had to throw cold water on him to wake him up. I am afraid he is studying too hard already.

Excuse me, my dear Jack, if I have lengthened out the thread of my verbosity beyond the staple of my argument. I leave Davidson to-morrow, after a most pleasant stay at the home of the genial Greek professor.

I intended, of course, to stay at the Helper House, the inn here (you remember Mr. Helper, don't you? His hair is white now and forms a sort of snowy aureole to his benign face). But the hospitable professor insisted on taking my satchel up to his house, which I leave to-morrow with great regret. Come to Commencement some time, Jack. It will do you good and shake off some of your Hampton hayseediness.

Your affectionate chum,

OBADIAH OLDSCHOOL.

P. S.—I forgot to tell you that the college spirit runs high here now, and is fostered mightily by class associations, something unknown in our day. I hear the students are very enthusiastic over the annual they intend to get out this year. You must buy one. It will tell you of many important college happenings omitted by me.

Yours as before, O. O.

To Mr. John Oldstyle, Brighton, Hampton County, S. C.



It was a midnight deathly still  
 That brooded far around,  
 When all at once was strangely heard  
 A deuced curious sound.

It seemed as though ten thousand  
 sand bells  
 Were ringing at one time,  
 And making hellish harmony  
 With what was meant to chime.

Parson says that at this very tide,  
 Not many moons ago,  
 Came twenty spirits on a spree  
 From torrid climes below.

From where its aged shadow lies,  
 They spirited the bell,  
 And carried it — the Lord knows where —  
 Unless it was to hell.

The faculty right nimbly stirred  
 But fruitless was their search;  
 They swore that Nick had borrowed it  
 T'bring his flock to church.

This explanation seems to all  
 Almost sensible and right,  
 Else why should he have filched it forth  
 Upon a Sunday night?

The old maids fast began to pray;  
 The men waked up to yell,  
 "Oh sure the Old Boy and his band  
 Are bringing back the bell!"

Now just upon this point there seems  
 A little disagreeing,  
 Because some learned men deny  
 That devils have a being.

I'm sure, whatever you may think,  
 You must concede me here,  
 That if the devils did it not,  
 At least 'twas devils — by queer

For all the times in  
 all the year,  
 'Tis most on nights  
 in June,  
 That tricky devils love  
 to sport  
 Beneath the grinning moon.

*John Estlin*



## Yells

AND CAMPUS  
WHISPERS.

### OLD COLLEGE YELL.

*Rah, Rah, Rah! Run, Run, Run!  
Pink and Blue! Davidson!!*

### WOOTEN'S CLUB.

*Wha!!! Change the name of Arkansas?*

### STIREWALL CLUB.

*Rah rum, ree rum, rah rum, rub.  
Rah rum, ree rum, Stirewall club.*

### NEW COLLEGE YELL.

*Ha-ho, Hi-ho, Wah hoo wah!  
Davidson, Rah, Rah, Rah!!*

### GLEE CLUB.

*Rajah ree! Who are we?  
Davidson Glee—Club!!*



## Class Yells.

'95.

*Wah hoo Wah, sis boom la,  
Nescia Vinci Pectora,  
Yak, Yak, Yak, boom a la Kive,  
Vive la, Vive la. '95!*

'96.

*Hey yo, heigh yo, Kille korack korack korax,  
Hullabaloo bolak bolix,  
What's the matter with '96—Yell?*

'97.

*Hoop la hi, Hoop la hee,  
Facere quam Glorari.  
Rah zoo, Ba zoo, Rah zip Pang.  
Let 'er go, '97. Boom, yah. Bang.*

'98.

*Rip la rah, sis boom bah.  
Crimson and white, yah hi yah,  
Boomikoli, hi ho, zip boom bate,  
'D. C. N. C. '98.*



## \* Fraternity Yells.

S A E.

*Phi Alpha! Alicazu!*  
*Phi Alpha! Alicazu!*  
*Sigma Alph! Sigma Alph!*  
*Sigma Alpha Epsilon.*

K A.

*K, A, Kappa, K, A, Alpha.*  
*K, A, K, A, Kappa Alpha.*

B O H.

*Phi Chi Phi.*  
*Phi Chi Phi.*  
*Wooglin Woglin.*  
*Beta Theta Pi.*

Π Κ Λ.

*Hurrah, ray.*  
*Hurrah, ray.*  
*Rav, Rav!*  
Π Κ Λ.

K. S.

*Rah, Rah, Rah, Rah.*  
*Crescent and Star,*  
*Rah, Rah, Rah, Rah,*  
*Kappa Sigma.*



VIEW OF QUADRANGLE.



## Among the Pines.

On the pine forest's floor I throw me down,  
And breathe the balmy odors rising up  
From fallen needles lying golden brown,  
Like hopes fulfilled dropped from the pine—life's cup.

With silent fingers, rays of sunshine bright  
Weave checkered fancies on the sober floor,  
The birds' faint twitter breaks the still delight  
Of half-heard music in the branches' roar.

Through banks of trembling green, sky-lakes look down,  
Where waves of blue in quivering ripples die;  
At anchor, still, with sails outstretched and brown,  
Two hawks, like pirate frigates, waiting lie.

Far stretching, pillared isles of Nature's own  
Seem full of gleaming forms which come and go,  
A place of dreams, a mystic fairy throne,  
Where peace and beauty reign, nor sorrow know.

# STATISTICS.

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A short time ago the student body of Davidson College was seized with a desire to thoroughly know itself. Accordingly printed lists of questions were distributed among the students with the request that the blanks be conscientiously filled in and handed to the proper authorities.

The laborious task of compiling these statistics was greatly enlivened by the bright and witty answers returned by some, mostly Freshmen. It would give us great pleasure to impart to the world these marvelous productions of wit, but space forbids.

So many answers were given to some of the questions that absolute accuracy in the following results was impossible. For the most part, however, they are accurate.

The average student is aged twenty-one years and seven months, weighs one hundred and forty-four and a half pounds, and is five feet seven inches high. He wears a number six and a half shoe and a number seven hat. This young man spends four and three quarter hours per day in study, one and one-half hours in exercise, attends church seven times per month and chapel six times per week. His hour for retiring is 11:15 P. M. and he rises at 7:15 A. M. His expenses are \$278.50 per annum. The Apollo of

Davidson is Mr. F. H. Wardlaw. Mr. E. S. Vass had a good many admirers, but that killing mustache of the former did the work. Mr. Stokes received the most votes for the ugliest man, followed by Fairley, Bean and Shoaf. If any one has a lingering doubt that Babe McKee has an abnormal disinclination to exert himself, let him forthwith banish it, for it has been almost unanimously decided by the student body that this same McKee is lazier than "Jerry" Simpson.

The most versatile, intellectual and prominent man is Mr. N. H. McGilvary. Cromartie and Spense are the best men, the former physically and the latter morally. From the answers received we would suggest that the grand order of prevaricators be organized as follows: Otts, Perfectissimus; Simpson, Perfectior; Ramspeck and Speers, Perfecti (Let us take a look at the morals of Davidson) Sixty-seven per cent of the students do not swear, fifty-five per cent do not smoke, eighty-two per cent do not chew, and seventy-nine per cent do not use intoxicants. One hears enough grumbling among the students to warrant him in thinking that a large number lead a dog's life, but when the question, "Do your days pass pleasantly?" was put point blank to them, ninety-

three per cent answered in the affirmative. Twenty-two per cent favor compulsory attendance on religious exercises. Forty per cent visit the reading-room regularly. Forty five per cent part their hair in the middle and only nine per cent wear glasses.

In getting up these statistics we have endeavored to make their information useful. Below we give a few pointers to the young ladies who may be interested in us. The ideal beauty of forty-six per cent of us has golden hair and blue eyes, while dark-eyed maidens are preferred by fifty-four per cent. Only nine per cent are engaged to be married, and sixty have never been. It may also be of interest to mention that the favorite topic of conversation is concerning these same girls.

Almost all the students have decided on their future vocation. Teaching heads the list with twenty-four per cent, followed by the ministry, law and medicine. In answer to the question, "What is your favorite study?" nearly every study in college was mentioned. English received the highest number of votes. Bible, physics and political economy also received a good percentage. The three most popular outdoor games are tennis, football and baseball in their order. The favorite indoor games are whist and chess. Of the authors Scott has the largest number of admirers. The average number of books read by each student during the term is twenty-eight.

With the exception of three Pops and one Republican we are all Democrats.





TOM

JOE

OTHO  
LWIS

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## FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

He is a Senior, therefore let him pass for a man.  
If wishes were horses the Fresh might ride.

He that maketh or multiplieth many words shall  
have a scrap.

Diligence begets success but lack of it brings pov-  
erty and sorrow.

To know and go is gain, but to know and not to  
go increaseth sorrow.

Lack of fear is lack of fear, and the Fresh get wet  
thereby.

If you can not get the better of liquor let liquor  
get better of you.

Happy day, happy day,  
When old Vince takes this Math. away.  
He taught us that we must not play,  
But toil and labor all the day—  
Then get 59.

As the rain falls continually in Davidson so falleth  
the Fresh, who laughs not at the professor's joke.

Examinations are things of the future if not things  
of the past (passed).

When you love a girl prove it by force of arms.

Is Lake Wiley worth a dam?

He who lendeth a pencil enricheth a friend and  
loseth—a pencil.

Fair Trilby's feet may pass away,  
Forgotten in a hurry,  
But take for everlasting fame  
The wondrous feet of Murray.

Why is this rhyme like Lake Wiley mentioned  
above?



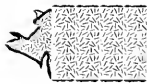
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A merry laugh, a rumbling crack,  
The skate fits to its icy track ;  
And flying o'er the glassy lake  
The joyous crowds their pleasure take.

Fast, fast they fly, and shrill the stroke  
That leaves behind life's careful yoke,  
As nimbly run the winged feet  
O'er the glist'ning frozen sheet.

A splash, a shriek, a drowning girl  
Is lost to sight in the watery whirl,  
While friend and playmate speed the play  
In thoughtless, careless holiday.

But such is life. As years roll by,  
Men lost in pleasure droop and die,  
The merry world goes on its way,  
While some are sad and some are gay.





VASS.



## To E. M. G.

Beneath the shadowing trees we slowly walked,  
    We two alone !  
All thought of care was banished to the past,  
    As work that's done.  
The sun had laid to rest his blazing lance,  
    Across the hills,  
And stealthy shadows stole the brightness from  
    Field, wood and rills ;  
The night with gleams from evening's glowing forge,  
    Had lit the stars,  
And o'er the fallen day laid cloudy strips,  
    As prison bars.  
As precious metals lie entombed beyond  
    The miner's skill,  
Our thoughts lay hidden deep within our hearts,  
    Our voices still.  
We walked and only knew life's fullest joy,  
    Nor dreamed of care ;  
For heart had called to heart and whispered back  
    That love was there.





COLONEL



JIMMIE



DICKEY



TILT



OLD PUSS



WOOLY PUS



VINCE



PROJECT

ΔΙΟΣΥΓΚΡΑΣΙΑ.

(OVERHEARD IN FACULTY MEETING.)

*Old Puss* (stamping his foot)—Why, gentlemen, there are actually some students who said they would take *my* Bible course, and did not even ask *my permission*, and that, too, when I! I!! I!!! am president of Davidson College.

*Colonel*—Oh, go long with your fuss! That's just tweedledum, tweedledee to me. Everything's lovely yet, and the goose hangs high.

*Vince*—He, he, he, I reckon they're beginning to catch on now. It's been all along a sort of midnight darkness about that course anyway.

*Tilt*—To use the elegant language of—ahem—let's change the subject. I said to a young lady the other day,

“Come and trip it as you go  
On the light fantastic toe,”

and then suggested that—

*Dickey*—P-l-e-a-s-e, gentlemen, I do beseech you, on your *conscience*, not to talk so lightly in the faculty meeting. It is really your Christian duty not to do

so. Now, in the remaining few moments we have, let us go to the board—oh, I mean let us hear from Project.

*Project*—Well, I have just read the most marvelously magnificent account of a new *prodigiously* sublime phenomenon. The calculation I make on it is *exactly* and *precisely* ten quadrillion four trillion sixteen billion nine hundred and three and one ten millionth—*precisely*.

*Wooly Puss*—That—that—that'll do, gentlemen. This is no place for discussions of this kind.

*Jimmie*—(Jimmie said nothing—for further information ask the preps.) (Exit.)

When Project gives numbers aught under ten million,  
When Tilt says a sentence without a quotation,  
When Puss doesn't laugh at his moth-eaten jokes  
And Dickey for harshness acquires reputation,

When Colonel forgets to say “ad infinitum”  
And Wooly's resigned to courting the fair,  
Then millennium 'll come to our classical nation  
And Jimmie will sit in a common-sized chair.

## The Two Voices.



A still small voice spake unto me,  
"Thou art so full of corn whisky  
Were it not better not thus to be?"

Then to the still small voice I said,  
"I feel a ringing in my head  
That warns me loud to seek my bed."

To which the voice did urge reply,  
"To-day I saw the 'old man's' eye,  
That spake you ill as he passed by."

I wept, "though I should die, I know  
Dread visions of the old gent's toe  
Would track me to the haunts of woe.

"Moreover, something is or seems  
That touches me with pesky gleams  
Like glimpses of foul snaky dreams,

"Of something felt that's deuced queer,  
Of something drunk like lager beer,  
Such as would make a Dutchman swear.

"Whatever withered lips may say,  
No man who loves 'good corn' to-day  
Will e'er to-morrow say nay.

"'Tis drink whereof our nerves are scant,  
O drink, not draught, for which I pant,  
More drink and fuller that I want!"

Thus on a lamp post long I bent,  
And lisped forth all my discontent,  
Then reeling homeward, slow I went.

ALFRED TENNYSON II.  
(with apologies to I.)



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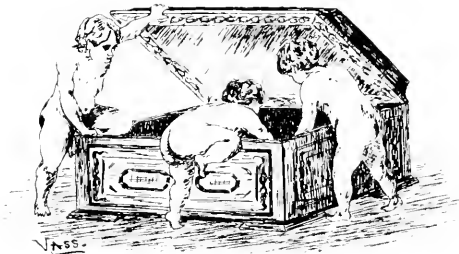
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