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Varium et Mutabile

I builded my heart a palace,
Each stone was one of her smiles;
She seized on the throne, so I gave
her my heart
To keep from all manner of wiles.
She frowned, and my palace lies shat-
ter'd;
My heart's 'neath the ruins thereof.
Great was the fall—it was built on the
sands
The quicksands, forsooth, of her love.

ALUMNUS '01.

V. P. I. 22; V. M. I. 0

V. M. I. played her annual game with V. P. I. in Roanoke Saturday. Both Corps of Cadets were present. The largest crowd ever assembled on the football grounds of that city saw the game. The crowd was estimated between 2,500 and 3,000.

The V. M. I. corps was first on the field. They formed at the Hotel Roanoke and marched out, headed by the band, marched around the field, swung into line at the grandstand and were dismissed. A few minutes later the V. P. I. marched onto the field.

The line-up of the two teams was as follows:

V. M. I.		V. P. I.	
Poague, McMillen	L. E.	Hufford	
Fray	L. T. Diffendal, Smith		
Poague, H.,	L. G. Breckenridge,		
Pattison		Brown	
Hancock	C.	Johnson	
Wickham	R. G.	Hodgson	
Biedler	R. T.	Smith, R.	
Ward, Alexander	R. E.	Jones	
Porter	R. H. B.	Billups	
Massie	L. H. B.	Settrell	
Doyle	Q.	Cooper,	
		Sheppard	
McLean	F. B.	Hodgson,	
		Gravely	

Referee: Mr. Goss of Lehigh. Umpire: Mr. Gladbull. Head linesman: Mr. Ban. Linesmen: Messrs. S. B. Cox of V. P. I., and Nicholas of V. M. I. Timekeepers: Messrs. Walker of V. P. I., and Ragland of V. M. I. Time of halves, 30 minutes each

The first half was anybody's game. Both teams only made gains by punting. The ball was punted back and forth across the field for the first 26 1-2 minutes of play. The game was a hot fight from beginning to end. Finally V. P. I. made a short kick and their end captured the ball on V. M. I.'s 20 yard line. V. P. I. then made a drop kick, Cooper sending the ball over the bars for a field goal. Score V. P. I. 4; V. M. I. 0. Time of play 26 1-2 minutes.

V. P. I. kicks outside twice and the ball is brought to V. M. I.'s 25 yard line and V. M. I. punts. The game is again a punting match until time is called.

V. P. I. kicks off in the second

half and Doyle receiving returns the kick and V. P. I. captures the ball. V. P. I. tries a field goal from the 30 yard line and misses. V. M. I. punts from the 25 yard line. V. P. I. fails on a forward pass and are penalized 15 yards and punts, V. P. I. blocks a punt and gets the ball and runs 20 yards for a touchdown. Hodgeson kicks goal. Score V. P. I. 10; V. M. I. 0. Time of play 5 minutes.

V. M. I. kicks off to V. P. I. Again we have a few rounds of punting and then V. P. I. tries a field from the 40 yard line but fails. V. M. I. punts from the 25 yard line. Then a little more punting is indulged in and V. P. I. finally has the ball on V. M. I.'s 20 yard line. From there a touchdown is made, weight telling. Hodgeson kicks goal. Score V. P. I. 16; V. M. I. 0. Time of play 15 minutes.

V. P. I. kicks off. V. M. I. returns outside. Again V. P. I. by their superior weight make a touchdown, V. M. I. defending every inch of the way. Hodgeson kicks goal. Score V. P. I. 22; V. M. I. 0. Time of play 20 minutes.

Three times V. P. I. was held on V. M. I.'s 2 yard line for downs.

The V. M. I. team averaged 156 pounds. V. P. I. averaged 170 pounds.

The last 10 minutes of the game was a punting match, some beautiful punts being made by both McLean and Hodgeson.

The battle was game from beginning to end, and everybody fought their best until the referee blew his whistle. Poague, T., one of our best men was put out in the middle of the first half with a broken shoulder. Well boys now the remainder of the scalps are ours.

The Baltimore Bridge Truss

Words by First Class Civil Men.

(Tune—Back, Back, Back to Baltimore)

Take it back back back to Baltimore,

I swear I'll study that d—n thing no more.

My results are amusing

For web members are confusing,

Take it back back back to Baltimore.

"Drew" and "Beverly" will probably be the candidates for chemistry sub.

Ask "Bush" Massie how he can win the affection of fifty per cent. of the "calico." He says he can.

ALUMNI NOTES

B. P. ^{Lee} ('92) is an Episcopal minister at Los Angeles, Cal.

D. F. Lewis ('96) is interested in a mine at Rhyolite, Neb.

W. M. Swin ('99) is studying architecture in Paris France.

H. D. L. Lewis, '98, is a successful broker on Wall Street.

J. J. McCormick, '90, is practicing medicine in Norfolk.

Earl Biscoe, '00, is now stationed at Ft. Myers, Va.

Hugh Stockdell, '97, is with the Allygh Bacon Pub. Co.

Arthur Shipp '97, has been stationed in Honolulu, Ha.

C. E. Kain and H. P. Headley both of ('07) are sophomores at Princeton.

H. Rountree, '06, has gone to the General Electric company at Schnectady, N. Y.

John Freeland, '91, has also been very successful as a broker on Wall Street.

W. W. LaPrade, '04, is on an engineering corps near Petersburg.

C. B. Slemph, '91, has announced himself as a candidate for member of Congress.

J. H. Nottingham, '06, is connected with the N. Y. P. N. Ry. at Cape Charles, Va.

T. Bain, '06, is with the National Bank of Commerce in Norfolk.

R. Rankin, '06, is in the insurance business in Kansas City, Mo.

J. H. McCord, '79, is in the mercantile business in St. Joseph, Mo.

C. N. Hancock, '04, is consulting engineer for C. W. Hancock & Son.

Peyton Craighill '00, is an Episcopal minister at South Boston, Va.

J. C. Snead ('06) has taken up mining engineering at Basin, Mont.

C. E. Stuart ('01), J. N. Perry ('06), Dewey ('06) and B. F. Steele ('05) are all with the Westinghouse Electric Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Monday, the 11th, was Founders' Day was celebrated at the Institute by a suspension of academic duties. Many of the cadets went to Natural Bridge while others took advantage of the opportunity offered and spent the day in hunting.

First Class Notes

"Pal" DeShazo has deck on the rear rank.

Charlie Carter says he understands a generator much better than he does a dynamo.

"Major" Jarvis says that East Lexington is the only place in this vicinity that reminds him of "Arkansaw."

"Georgie Wick," got into "A" Co., because as he says, "Bob" didn't appreciate how he "ran."

"Bob" Massie says that if he graduates he is going back home wearing a "Happy Jarvis" "shagger" stick and a "mon-icer."

"Tasty" Jones told Capt. Marshall that he never saw a boiler before he hit the institute. He surely possesses steam ability, however, as he has "Vaggy" Bond "scared up" already.

Which would be the funnier, "Lonny," Gentry's face when at Battalion Drill Col. Mills gives the command, 1, At a Trail, 2, Close in Mass, 3, Column of Platoons 4, Fifth Platoons, 5, Squads left About, 6, March, or "Cornbread" Johnson's face when Capt. Marshall tells him to draw a diagram of an internally fired, non-sectional, tripple flue, return tube, wagon top boiler?

Military

October 24th marked the end of company drill and the beginning of battalion drill. The companies were highly proficient in extended order and the first classmen from each had qualified at target practice, so the batallion is being drilled as a whole at present under the Commandant.

It will be impossible to have the new cadets in full dress before winter quarters, but a certain number each day are going to guard mount. The weather has not caused these latter to have Butt's Manual drill yet, but that will be regularly taken up as soon as winter quarters begin if not sooner. The corps has been peculiarly free of any losses of any kind lately and all indications predict a large and splendidly drilled battalion this year.

W. & L. beat U. of Va. 6 to 5 Saturday.

The Carlisle Indians defeated Harvard 23 to 16 in a one-sided game Saturday.

Davidson beat Clemson 6 to 4. From what we gather we will have a good game Thanksgiving to beat Davidson.

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Rockbridge County News Print

Although surprised yet V. M. I. is not discouraged at the result of Saturday's game. Like soldiers we can take defeat as well as victory, gracefully we hope. Our confidence in our team is unimpaired and we know that every team has its "off" days. To one who had seen the other games of the season it was evident during the V. P. I. game that our boys, while doing their best, lacked the vim and vigor and aggressiveness, so apparent in other games. Accidents will happen, however, and a fate again gives us a raw deal and V. P. I. the victory. But men of the corps, you more than retrieved your team's defeat by your gentlemanly conduct and soldierly bearing in Roanoke. From all sides compliments are pouring in upon the splendid appearance of the corps. Through all vicissitudes the well-known spirit of the corps shone bright and true. The other people had a winning team to cheer, but our lads continued their rooting to the bitter end, and showed by every means possible that in victory or defeat V. M. I. stands back of her team and appreciates their efforts. Roanoke had never known such "rooting" and was impressed, to say the least.

In behalf of the team we wish to extend to the football team of W. & L. our heartiest thanks and appreciation of the cheers which greeted our boys as they entered the train at Buena Vista. Such things are remembered and the Cadets hold this as one of the most gentlemanly acts ever brought to notice.

Whom does "Hippe" Jarvis resemble when in his first class uniform?

OUR DEFEAT

Although sad to relate, it is, nevertheless, true that our team was defeated last Saturday at Roanoke; yes, defeated badly. There are many excuses for the same but we will enumerate none here. Let it be said, however, that while V. P. I. gained a football victory, V. M. I. gained a victory, or rather made a record that, when the present corps are alumni, they and the faculty will point to with pride, inciting emulation from the future men of the corps.

Never, as Colonel Nichols says, has any corps done a thing more trustworthy or creditable than the voluntary signing of a pledge to abstain from intoxicating liquors and ungentlemanly behavior on the trip. Did the corps keep that pledge? Ask the public who witnessed their actions. Ask the alumni, who with justifiable pride noted the record of the corps' behavior.

It is safe to say that each and every cadet would no more have thought of committing a breach of gentlemanly behavior, or in any way blotting the gray uniform, than he would have thought of bringing disgrace to his own name.

The corps knows how to be military, and not five minutes after ranks were dismissed in Roanoke a V. P. I. officer, on being saluted by three V. M. I. Cadets, remarked on the fact with the assertion, that "Those men are the type ideal of military discipline, and would be the worthy opponents of any organization in that line."

As far as we have been able to learn not a V. M. I. Cadet was seen on the street either smoking or with an unbuttoned blouse.

In the fall of 1904 the corps made a trip to Roanoke and behaved in just such a manner, and this second trip we reaped the fruits. At the game in 1904 we had scarcely any rooters and, although we were beaten, we returned this year to find the majority of the town decked in our colors. They appreciate gentlemanly behavior, and we appreciate their support.

There is not much to say of the day's doings, except that when it was evident that defeat was ours the corps, if possible, rooted louder, stronger and better, though many confess that they were on the verge of weeping. One cadet said that he could begin to appreciate the feelings of General Lee when the high tide of Pickett's charge began to turn back. Every Cadet in the corps had counted on this game

and the dregs of defeat were too bitter for words to express. However, when the game had ended, we formed in line, and preceded by our band and the ever loyal alumni, followed the howling and victorious Blacksburg corps off the field.

Our corps was an example of a defeated body, whose determination, however, had not been the least bit disturbed, and the famed V. M. I. spirit, "Defeated but never conquered," had in no way suffered.

Following is the record of our games with Blacksburg and, although, it may not appear very much to our credit, yet we are not ashamed of it, and it can be said that each defeat only makes us the more determined, and V. P. I. will yet see the tide turn against her. Of this we are confident. If we not we would not say so:

	V. M. I.	V. P. I.
1894	10	6
1895	4	6
1896	0	24
1897	No game	
1898	No game	
1899	No game	
1900	5	0
1901	0	21
1902	5	50
1903	No game	
1904	5	17
1905	0	34
1906	No game	
1907	0	22

"You may be what you resolve to be."

In this "Stonewall" Jackson presents, if nothing greater, at least an opportunity for thought and thought upon that which is of vital interest to you,—your future. "My future," you ask. "Oh! let my future take care of itself."

But if just for a moment, come right down to it, and look the problem squarely in the face, "What do you intend to be?" Or more definitely, "which do you intend to be?" for no matter what is the line you enter, may it be engineer, chemist, business man or what not, you can be but one of two things, a success or a failure. With you lies the choosing. You may be, that is, you have the power to be, whatever your resolution, if you back it.

Manifold illustrations are found at every hand, and in these cases it is seen greatness was not necessarily born in them, nor thrust upon them, but was the result of "push," the profit of labor. "Genius" says Paderwiski "has but one definition—hard work," and while you probably have not resolved to be a genius, nor even hoped it, his definition extends to the plane of "success." It is "hard work," and up to you.

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And you will never be successful if you attempt the "dodging" game even now. Think over it all, play, work, studies, and future, and "buckle down." Colonel J says it is "mighty cold about four o'clock January mornings, mighty cold."

When the Third Class was under arrest "Mister" Ball marched the section. His method of calling the roll was rather unique. Something like "Mister Jones, sir, Mister Smith, sir, Brother Rat Brown, Brother Rat Green, Mr. Penn, sir," etc. "All present, sir."

"Those Weekly Marks"

In a flutter of excitement
I hiked to 99--B,
But not pleasant was enlightenment
I got "zero over three."

Luck seemed to be with Pendleton at the skating rink last Saturday.

"Connection" Ferrell was two hours on the anxious seat at mass meeting Nov. 6th, but couldn't unload for lack of time. A silver tongued orator of '08 appears to be budding forth in this engaging young youth of bashful mein.

Personals

Miss May Haskins has returned to Lexington after a long absence.

R. B. Dunbar, '08, has returned from a two weeks visit to his home.

F. K. McIntyre, '01, has been in Lexington the past week and went to Roanoke with the corps.

E. A. Dewey, '06, was in Lexington Saturday on the way to Roanoke.

We wish to thank Miss Maggie Freeland for her offers of help and kind letter to the football team.

Miss Louise Shields has returned to her home after a pleasant stay of ten days with Miss Agness Patton in Limits.

W. L. Riley, '07, umpired at the Va.-W. & L. game in Charlottesville Saturday. According to current opinion "Mag" officiated as squarely as possible.

The following alumni were in Roanoke Saturday and returned to Barracks with the corps: C. B. Atwill, '06, and wife, E. A. Dewey, '06, W. R. Johnson, '07, W. P. Johnson, '07 and T. C. Taliaferro, '07.

Among the alumni supporters in Roanoke Saturday were: H. D. Floweree, '03, C. D. Lewis, '03, and wife, A. B. Sinclair, '03, Dexter Otey, '97, Steve Meem, '99, Rown, '01, Kirk Otey, '05, W. M. Bailey, '08, A. T. Riddick, '00, Preston, '09, and J. M. Miller, '10.

Power of a Single Speck

"Physical Force" was the subject of Prof. Knowall's lecture to his class on that morning.

"Force, gentlemen," said he, is not always found to the largest extent in large bodies. Very often we find that something which is, figuratively speaking, a mere dot or speck, holds tremendous sway over much more ponderous and apparently powerful things. Now then Mr. Whistman, I'll ask you to give me a practical illustration of such a case."

The student's reply was startlingly spontaneous.

"The ace of trumps, sir," he replied, without stopping to think. — Philadelphia Inquirer.

Colonel Nichols addressed the corps at a mass-meeting Friday night and urged upon the corps the necessity for a good appearance at Roanoke. The results more than showed how the cadets appeared.

"Chesapeake" hopes of following his brother's footsteps.

Our Friends of the University.

Every cadet seconds the heading of this article, especially since our defeat. No one has been more outspoken or genuine in their sympathy and regret than the Washington & Lee students. They gained a great victory Saturday, and although we hate to see the U. of Va. defeated yet, as it was done, we are indeed glad that the victors were W. & L.

We understand that the student body wished to come to the depot in the rain Saturday night and welcome us back. They were afraid, however, that we not understanding their action, would have become embittered rather than gratified. This would not, however, have been case, and it would indeed have been cheering to a heavy-hearted corps to have had their greeting on our arrival. We appreciate their sympathy and their regard and we must show them a courtesy on the first occasion.

We also understand that at a mass meeting they decided never to root against V. M. I., at any athletic game, and as we have also taken this action, both bodies will be mutually benefitted by having at their games, the attendance of members from the other body.

Although, the corps rarely have a chance to show it, yet they appreciate deeply the support given us both by the students and the Lexingtonians.

Jokes

Blow has decided it doesn't pay to shine up your bayonet on "cadet gray."

"Mac" found a "wash list" while in Buena Vista and compared with his own. They didn't read alike.

Quite a few partridges and rabbits were brought back yesterday. Were they shot with a silver bullet we wonder.

Homitz isn't doing a rushing business since the game. Never mind, old man, it will pick up after the Thanksgiving game.

The "boys" put on a bold front yesterday in town; they didn't look "broke." But then we all have accounts.

Ward's looks for once failed him. Handsome though he is, his looks failed to melt the frosty gaze of the "Sem" principal, so they say.

Pastor (reading) — "And David had five kings before him."

Old Cadet (whispering) — "Mighty glad David wasn't in the game last night."

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Humor at Harvard

In the current number of *The Bohemian*, one of the latest and most widely read New York magazines, appears the second of a series of articles on "Humorous College Journalism," from the pen of K. B. Townsend. Mr. Townsend speaks with much praise of the work which has been and is being done by the editorial staff of the Harvard "Lampoon," at once the first humorous college paper, and the first humorous periodical of any kind to be published on this side of the Atlantic. The men who afterward started the publication of "Life" served their apprenticeship in journalism on the staff of "The Lampoon."

Space does not permit me to present all the genuinely humorous "Lampoonlets" which Mr. Townsend has mixed with a great deal that was pure trash in his article for "The Bohemian." In the preparation of his paper he had before him a file of the "Lampoon," and took extracts from pages of the periodical, from its first issue down to its last.

Some of the jokes cracked must still be regarded as possessing humor to a high degree, as note the following sarcastic comment on the Glee club :

"Swans sing before they die,
'Twere no bad thing
Did certain persons die
Before they sing."

Neither can one help seeing the humor of the pun, "Is a Knight of Labor equal to a Day's work?"

Below appears a play on words which is just a little too rank :

Pirate Captain—"Odds, halibuts, but this will be a hot fight."

Cabin Boy—"Yes sir, especially if we put a stove in the side of their vessel, sir."

A spirit of ungallantry breathes in the lines of the following joke, which would find no place in the columns of a school paper edited south of the Mason and Dixon line :

'Good Old Lady—"Gracious, little boy, do you smoke cigars?"

Small One (puffing his stogy) — "No use, lady, the butt's promised."

It would seem from Mr. Townsend's discussion that the "Sons of Harvard" steered clear of Cupid's realm in their literary work, as only one set of sentimental verses appear. This, however, is as good as some of the humorous efforts are bad.

The "Bohemian" article is brought to a close by a parody by Owen Wister on "Auld Lang

Syne." Wister was at one time editor of the *Lampoon*, and at a recent staff banquet, at which he was guest of honor, he recited the following :

"Be old acquaintance ne'er forgot;
The jester and the sage
Clasp hands upon their common lot,
And toil to write their page.

Then here's for life! three cheers for life,
Drink all its wine, that we
Like Socrates, may sign content
Our morituri te.

Apropos of the above, last summer I was talking to a Southern man, a graduate of Johns Hopkins and now an assistant editor of a prominent metropolitan monthly, about the different universities of the country. He sized up Harvard men as "one-third fop, one-third fool and the other third good fellow."

The story told of the Harvard man abroad is almost too well known to repeat. A number of Englishmen were sitting in a hotel on the continent discussing a party of American college men who were stopping at the same hostelry. On of the Anglo-Saxons, who had traveled extensively in this country, claimed to know enough of the effects of the training given by the various American schools to determine a man's alma mater merely by sizing up his general appearance. His companions doubted his ability to make good his claim, and when the Americans returned to the room the much-travelled Englishman was urged to prove his assertion. He pointed to a stalwart, well dressed chap, and made him out from Princeton, an estimate verified by the young man in question. In the same manner he identified several others by mannerism of speech or dress. At last, pointing to a slender, effeminate specimen, he said "and you are from Harvard?" "I beg your pardon," said the slender one, "you are wrong there. I am from Princeton, too, but I've had a severe spell of sickness." LANEY

At the Hop

The dance was on,
And he knew not her name.
What could it be,
The name of the dame?
Strategy? Sure. That was the game,
And with care he might learn,
The name of the dame.
"Ah-er," says he, "I was wondering
How you spell it, your name?
Fool! For J-O-N-E-S
Was the name of the dame.
—R. E. P. '9

Why does "Buster" Brown have to pay extra for skates?

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