

THE CADET

Winter Thoughts

The time draws nearer, when the coming roar
Of hoary Winter, with his snowy blast,
Drives us to wish the dreary season past.
And turns our thoughts to Springtime's sunny lore.
We long' again, to see the gay birds soar
High in the gladsome atmosphere and fast;
And wish that we, like they, fore'er could cast
Aside the burdens, which the world before
Has given us.



But soon our fancies change,
Too now, when once we see the falling snow,
That covers all with its unblemished white,
Our worries fade. Our thoughts like mountain range,
That frowns down on the valleys far below,
So look on care as from a land of light.
—C. B. C. '10

V. M. I. vs.

DAVIDSON

On last Thursday, Nov. 28th, a large crowd saw our team receive a defeat from Davidson College on the Roanoke Fair grounds. The game from beginning to end was noticeable for the brilliant plays and good, steady work of both teams. The result was in doubt until the referee's whistle ended the fierce gridiron battle.

The line up of the teams was as follows:

V. M. I.		Davidson
Ward	R. E.	Wilkinson
McMillan		Clark
Biedler	R. T.	Dunn
Wickham	R. G.	Daniel
Hancock	C. Edgerton,	Capt.
Dunbar	L. G.	Axford
Pattison		
Fray	L. T.	Moore
Alexander	L. E.	Klutz
Poague, Clemmer		Sadler
Doyle	Q. B.	Elliot
Porter, Davant	R. H. B.	Denny
Massie	L. H. B.	James
Moseley		
Maclean	F. B.	Morton

Promptly at 2.45 the game began. Davidson won the toss and received the kick. Maclean kicked off and Elliot receiving the ball was downed on the 15 yard line. Denny then hit the line for 15 yards gain, followed by James with a 10 yard gain.

Here V. M. I. braced and Davidson was held in her tracks. The next down, however, an Institute man being off-side, Davidson

netted five yards. She gained another five yards on the next down, but following this Fray broke through carrying James back eight yards. Davidson then punted and Maclean receiving it ran 15 yards. The next down V. M. I. hit a stonewall, but this was followed by Massie gaining five yards around left end. Maclean then punted 40 yards, and Davidson fumbling the ball, Fray got it and made 4 yards. Massie then made 10 more on a forward pass, and Biedler one more by tackle round. V. M. I. then had the ball on Davidson's 15 yard line, and Doyle tried a fake forward pass, but Daniel broke through and get the ball. Morton punted it 40 yards and Doyle catching it ran it back 10 yards. Ward then made five around left end and Doyle one. Maclean then punted about 45 yards and Elliot catching it was downed in his tracks by Massie. Davidson made five yards in the next two downs, and then punted about 55 yards. Doyle receiving same made about 12 yards. Alexander then made 10 on a forward pass, followed by a five yard net from an off-side by Davidson. Massie then made one, followed by another gain by Alexander of 15 yards, made on a forward pass.

On the next down, Dunn broke through the line for Davidson, and carried Doyle back three yards. Porter then gained 13 yards around right end on a triple pass. He lost the ball, however, on being tackled, and Davidson making seven yards in the next two downs, kicked on the third. Doyle fumbled the kick but regained it, made 15 yards and lost it again on being tackled. Davidson was first held in her tracks; then V. M. I. got the ball on a forward pass. Massie first made one yard, then Porter two on a triple pass, then Doyle nine around left end, and then Maclean hit the line for three. V. M. I. then punted and Morton catching the same was downed in his tracks by Biedler. Davidson first made a short gain of three yards, then Denny circled left end for 25 yards. At the next down Fray

broke through and tackled Morton three years behind the line. Davidson was penalized 10 yards on the next down and following this Morton punted 40 yards to Doyle who fumbled but got it again and made five yards, Massie then circled right end for 20 yards. At this point Sadler, for Davidson, replaced Klutz the latter being unable to continue. Ward then made five yards around left end, but following this Massie was tackled three yards behind the line. Maclean then punted, Davidson fumbled and the ball went outside. On the next down V. M. I. was off-side, and following this five yards Davidson gained seven yards in the next two downs. Then on onside kick Wilkinson made a 22 yard run and then followed gains of two, three and four yards, but here V. M. I. braced and held her in her tracks for two downs. Then Denny punted about 40 yards and Doyle catching it was downed in his tracks by Wilkinson. Porter then made one yard, followed by Massie around right end for 19 more. Porter then made four, Doyle eight, Massie two, and Biedler one, Maclean then punted and Davidson fumbling, Massie fell on the ball. Alexander made four on a forward pass and Massie made one through the line, then on a triple pass Davidson got the ball and made 15 yards. On the next down Porter broke through and tackled Denny five yards the line. At this point Poague relieved Alexander, Ward then followed Porter and again tackled Denny five yards behind the line, Davidson punted and Doyle fell on the ball, and on the next down Massie made another end run of about 12 yards. In the next two downs V. M. I. made seven yards and on the third down Biedler went through for seven yards, on the next down V. M. I. was shoved back two yards and then Maclean punted. Davidson fumbling, Ward got the ball and made 15 yards, Porter gained three, and then on Davidson's 18 yard line Doyle tried to kick goal, but barely missed on ac-

DAVIDSON WINS THROUGH FLUKE

V. M. I. Team Outplays Tar Heels, But Latter Carry the Rabbitt Foot

The best football game of the present season was witnessed yesterday at the fair grounds by about 1,500 people when V. M. I. lined up against Davidson of North Carolina. The game was the hardest fought game played here in Roanoke for some years, and the hundreds of football enthusiasts who journeyed out to the fair grounds felt doubly repaid for their time and trouble. There were girls and women by the scores and the waving of colors intermingled with college yells lent plenty of excitement to the game. The rivalry was intense between the two teams and their supporters and the players on both sides fought until they were completely exhausted. If V. M. I. had won the game yesterday she would have been entitled to consideration for the championship of the South this year. Davidson defeated V. P. I. by the score of 12 to 5, and V. P. I. in turn defeated V. M. I. by the top heavy score of 22 to 0, so it can easily be seen that the respective merits of the teams cannot be based on the scores they made. V. M. I. clearly outplayed Davidson yesterday, especially in the first half of the game, and Davidson's touchdown was due principally to a fumble on an attempt at a forward pass. Denny ran forward and grabbed the ball and ran 80 yards for a touchdown. Ellicott kicked the goal.

Again in the second half Davidson ran the ball down the field by straight football until it rested on the 25-yard line, when Elliott kicked a beautiful goal from placement, which explains the Davidson scores. Shortly after the beginning of the second half Davidson kicked to Maclean, of V. M. I.'s 50 yard line, and on the first down following Massie got away from the bunch and ran 60 yards for a touchdown, after two and a half minutes of play. Doyle kicked the goal and

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Monogram Wearers.

At promptly after tattoo on Saturday night the assembly sounded in the gymnasium and the buzz of the dancers came to an end. Then Colonel Nichols took the platform and said that he had been commanded not asked by Captain Roller to be present and he had been obeying rules for the last 50 years, he felt it was his duty to obey thus one coming from a most excellent young man. He then said it was a pleasure for him to be there as he was to read the names of those Cadets who had had been successful in athletics, that is those who had won their monogram for the first, second and third and fourth times. They are as follows:

Those for the first time: Porter, Maclean, Wickham, Dunbar, Alexander, Ward, Poague, H.

Those for the second time: Fray, Biedler, Hancock, Doyle.

Those for the third time: Poague, T.

Those for the fourth time: Massie.

Also Col. Nichols said that for the efficient management of Cadet Donnan he had been awarded one.

As each name was read there was a pause, and the crowd led by Chief-Rooter Johnson gave cheers which never before had been heard in the gymnasium. After the cheers had been given to Capt. Roller, he was called on for a speech from all sides, but this was made conspicuous by its absence.

Ex-Mayor S. B. Walker of Lexington, accompanied the team to Roanoke, and was an enthusiastic rooter.

Major Patton and Capt. Ragland also accompanied the team and were among the most loyal supporters. The former was the cheer leader of the alumni and the latter acted time-keeper.

A Retrospect of the Football Season

During the past season our team has run up the following magnificent record:

V. M. I. 58; William and Mary, 0
 " 37; St. Stephens, 0.
 " 17; University of Va., 18
 " 44; Roanoke College, 0.
 " 0; V. P. I., 22.
 " 68; Balto. Med. College, 0
 " 52; Eastern Coltege, 0.
 " 6; Davidson, 10.

Men, this is a remarkable record in several ways. It shows first that we had a TEAM. Some have said that we ran up our large scores against small teams; and this unfitted us to cope against larger. Is this so? St. Stephens tied Georgetown. Observe the result of their game with us. Look also at our game with Virginia. We clearly outplayed them and deserved the victory. However a defeat like that is often better than a victory.

However, we lost by a top-heavy score, the game on which every man had set his heart. V. P. I. beat us but it was not overconfidence on our part. The cause was simply this, our team was overtrained, and this, combined with an intense nervous tension, caused them to play in a half dazed condition.

On the other hand V. P. I., expected to be defeated, yet they were determined to do their best, and they did. They played in excellent trim; but had our team played the way it did the following Saturday against Baltimore, we do not hesitate to say that they would have beaten Blacksburg.

As to the Davidson game, although we outplayed them, the God of misfortune seemed to be with us. Taken as a whole, however, each and every man in the corps has a greater right to be proud, not only of the team of 1908, but for the unparalleled spirit that has been shown on all occasions, than ever before. Keep up the spirit, men, and do as well, or, if possible, better, next year. Always remember that our athletic record has been great, not only for the victories obtained, but for its whiteness. V. M. I. has never played a "ringer," and she never will. Not one instance of anything crooked has ever been known of and we sincerely hope that no one will ever have the right or reason to say that athletics could be more straightforward than they are at V. M. I., and this is something that many colleges cannot say for themselves.

Mr. Charles Stuart, head of the Westinghouse branch office in Bluefield, W. Va., addressed the First Class electrical men Monday upon the advantages of the shop training.

Davidson Wins Through Fluke

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this was all the scoring V. M. I. did during the game. Three times in the first half of the game V. M. I. was within 15 yards of their opponents goal but Davidson always managed to hold them for downs. Toward the latter part of the first half Doyle attempted a place kick, but missed by the narrow margin of three feet. He kicked against the wind, which was blowing a regular gale across the gridiron, which probably accounted for his failure. Again in the second half V. M. I. had the ball on Davidson's 30 yard line and Doyle again attempted to kick a field goal, but the wind carried it outside of the posts.

Considering the fact that Davidson has one of the best teams in the South this year, V. M. I. played a brilliant game and during nearly all of the first half the ball was in Davidson's territory. Massie played a star game for the Lexington lads, and seemed to be the best ground gainer V. M. I. had.

He had to leave the game toward the close of the second half on account of being utterly exhausted. Every member of the V. M. I. team played snappy ball and possessed plenty of vim and ginger. It is the opinion of of nearly every expert who witnessed the game that V. M. I. should have won and they certainly played a far better game against Davidson than they did against V. P. I. The punting of Morton in the first half was a feature, although Maclean's kicking was very good against the wind. None of the credit should be taken away from Davidson, however, as they played a splendid article of football and showed careful coaching, but notwithstanding, V. M. I. should have been returned victorious. With about five minutes to play in the second half V. M. I. had the ball within 10 yards Davidson, but lost the ball on downs, Davidson playing as her life depended on the outcome. That was the best chance V. M. I. had to score in the second half. The game, taken as a whole, was the best game seen on the local gridiron this season. V. M. I. worked the forward pass repeatedly for good gains, but luck was against them and they couldn't win. To all appearances, Davidson played a better game yesterday than they did when they defeated V. P. I. several weeks ago. —Roanoke Times.

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Pickles and Canned Meats

Reed Pierce, formerly of '08, was in attendance at the hops.

J. B. Sinclair, '03, and E. Saunders, '06, are spending a few days at their old haunts.

Mr. John E. Kraft, editor of the Kingston Leader, Kingston, N. Y., is spending sometime at Miss Freeland's visiting his son in barracks.

The sympathy of the First is hereby extended to our classmate, Olin Bial Baines, who has recently left us on account of the death of his father.

Lost

My head at parade.—Lonnie Gentry.

My patience with Corp. "G." —"Mam."

All my ambitions.—"Valedic" Ferrell.

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LEXINGTON, VA., DEC. 3, 1907

Personals

Mr. Manson Massie, Bob's brother, was up to the hops.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward of Virginia, are visiting their son in barracks.

Col. Nichols was present at the recent Virginia Educational conference held in Roanoke.

W. L. Riley officiated at the Bucknell-W. & L. game in Lynchburg Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Davant gave the team a most enjoyable reception Thursday night at their home in Roanoke.

Miss Stevens, Miss Moulton and Miss Betty Clarke came up from Greenlee to attend the hops. Mr. Geo. Stevens accompanying them.

Reception to the Team

On Thursday night after the game our football heroes were royally entertained at the home of Mr. Davant in Roanoke.

The boys arrived about 7 o'clock and found a cordial welcome awaiting them and their curiosity was aroused by the sight of many calic clad in white. After a brief period they were ushered into the dining room and found their places, the markers being small footballs with V. M. I. colors. Served by the fair maidens the cadets set to work to annihilate the best supper ever. Course upon course appeared (and disappeared) until even the cadets' limit was realized and halt was called. The cadets then turned about in fair play and waited upon the dainty damsals.

The meal was enlivened by the yells of the school given by the cadets and returned by the girls, who quickly caught on to each yell.

After supper the cadets and waitresses threw aside formality and with song and music the evening passed rapidly. The conquest of the cadets was completed and now many are busy devising ways and means of reaching Roanoke the first opportunity.

The young ladies attending were: Misses Beckers, Tyree, Rogers, Wood, Ortmeyer, Davant.

Many humorous incidents marked the evening, among them being Duncan's appetite, Dunbar's conquest and Capt. Roller's speech.

We wish to extend to Mr. and Mrs. Davant the sincere thanks of the team, who swear by Roanoke to a man now now.

Thanksgiving Hop

The Thanksgiving hops were given on Nov. 29 and 30, and it may be said that they were given with more promptness than any others for some time. The expected list of calic materialized very well, yet we regret to say that the attendance on Saturday night exceed that of Friday, since the former was only to 12. A larger number of stags were present at these hops than at the opening ones, besides many students from the University, so that both nights the gymnasium was comfortably crowded. Ices were served Friday evening. Music was furnished by the post orchestra and was very good.

The chaperones were Mrs. E. W. Nichols, Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Corse, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Watts, Miss White and Mrs. Pendleton.

Those dancing were: Miss Sedwick with Cadet Jones, Miss Seeds with Cadet Malone, Miss Paxton with Cadet Taliaferro, Miss Grammer with Cadet Scott, Miss Moomaw with Cadet Grammer, Miss Mountcastle with Cadet McClellan, Miss Taylor with Cadet Doyle, Miss Trigg with Cadet Magruder, Miss Myers with Cadet Grant, Miss Hirst with Cadet Hewson, Miss Cochran with Cadet Owsley, Miss Stevens with Cadet Gentry, Miss Moulton with Cadet Stevens, Miss Haskins with Capt. Nichols, Miss Jones with Cadet Smith, Miss Rust with Cadet Johnson, Miss Staples with Cadet White, Miss A. Patton with Cadet Peek, Miss L. Patton with Capt. Campbell, Miss H. Becker with Cadet Becker, Miss M. Berker with Cadet E. Davant, Miss Rodgers with Cadet R. Davant, Miss McGuire with Cadet Drayton, Miss Eaglesfield with Cadet Schmidt, Miss Catlett with Cadet Jarvis, Miss Gilliam with Cadet Biedler, Miss Dewey with Cadet Gilliam, Miss Maynard with Cadet Daniels, Miss McClennan with Cadet Rhett, Miss Nelson with Cadet Downey, Miss Hobson with Cadet Dashiell, Miss Shields with Cadet Fray, Miss Boykin with Cadet Adams, Miss Preston with Mr. Newman, Miss Nichols with Cadet Anderson, Miss Freeman with Cadet Akin, Miss Turner with Cadet Saunders, Miss Quinn with Cadet Donnan, Miss Crain with Cadet Wendroth, Miss Hardwick with Cadet Mich, Miss M. Stearns with Cadet Sinclair, Miss L. Stearns with Cadet Byrd, Miss Cross with Cadet Gates.

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count of the wind, Davidson then brought the ball out, punted and Doyle receiving it on V. M. I.'s 20 yard line fumbled, but got it again and made 15 yards, Poague then makes 10 yards, then on a forward pass Denny, for Davidson, got the ball and ran 75 yards for a touchdown, Elliott kicked goal. Score: Davidson, 6. V. M. I. 0. Time of play 26 minutes.

Davidson kicked off and Massie caught ball on 15 yard line, passed it to Doyle who repunted, Davidson fumbled and the ball was knocked on and when Elliott stopped it by falling on it, on Davidson's three yard line, the referee's whistle announced "time up" and deprived V. M. I. of a touchdown.

Second Half.

Davidson kicked off, Doyle received the ball on the 15 yard line and repunted, Denny caught it and brought it back 22 yards. On the first down Poague broke through and tackled James' four yards behind the line, on the next down Davidson gained two yards, on the third down Martin punted, and Maclean caught it on V. M. I.'s 45 yard line but was tackled in his tracks by Denny, on the next down, Massie circled right end and ran 60 yards by the whole Davidson team and scored a touchdown. Doyle kicked goal. Score: V. M. I. 6. Davidson, 6. Time of play three minutes.

Clark, for Davidson, here, replaced Wilkinson, V. M. I. kicked off, James got the ball, fumbled it, and falling on it again, was downed on Davidson's 25 yard line, Denny then gained nine yards through the line, Moore three, James one more, and then Fray broke through and held Denny four yards behind the line, Davidson then punted about 40 yards and Doyle catching it brought it back five yards. McMillen then took Ward's place, after one down of one yard gain, Maclean made a short kick, and Davidson fumbling Poague got the ball. On the first down, however, V. M. I. was shoved back for four yards, but on the next she gained 10, Maclean again punted and James, on catching it, was downed in his tracks. On the next down Davidson was offside, and then she punted to Doyle who held it and made five yards,

Fray then came around through the other tackle for six yards, and Massie hit the line for two, V. M. I. punted and Denny catching it brought it back 15 yards. On the next play Biedler broke through and tackled Denny for three yards loss, Davidson then made a 10 yard run and on the next play punted to Doyle who brought it back three yards, Massie then made another end run of 25 yards and McMillen followed with a five yard gain, Maclean then made three yards through the line, McMillen two and Porter made an end run for six yards gain, then on a forward pass Denny got the ball. First down gave Davidson two yards and the second got them five for a V. M. I. man being offside. However, on the next down, Poague came around behind and carried Morton back for eight yards loss, Davidson then punted and Doyle getting it ran 18 yards, V. M. I., however, was next held for three yards loss, then she punted and Elliott getting it, ran it back 11 yards, Davidson then made steady and successive gains of six, two, seven and 15 yards, then Pattison replaced Dunbar and Davant replaced Porter. On the next two downs Davidson made seven yards and on the third Elliott kicked goal from the 25 yard line. Score: Davidson 10. V. M. I. 6. Time of play 21 minutes.

The rest of the game did not differ much from the preceding. McMillen broke through twice and Davant and Massie made several runs of from 10 to 15 yards when V. M. I. had the ball on Davidson's 30 yard line. Doyle tried to place kick but missed. Doyle made three fair catches from Elliott's punts, and in the last two, although not tackled, he was badly interfered with, Mosely took Massie's place about eight minutes before the end and advanced the ball once for 12 yards from a punt. When the game ended, Davidson had just punted from her 10 yard line. The final score stood Davidson, 10, V. M. I. 6.

Summary: Touchdowns, Massie, Denny; goals from touchdowns, Doyle, Elliott; goal from placement, Elliott; time of halves 30 minutes; referee, Mr. Gaman, Hampden-Sidney; umpire, Mr. Sawyer, University of Virginia; head-linesman, C. Q. Byrd, V. M. I.; attendance, 2,000.

W. W. Gwathmey, '80, formerly Chief Engineer, Seaboard Air Line, is now head of the firm of consulting engineers, Norfolk, Va.

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