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TEAM SUFFERS TWO DEFEATS

Basketball Quint Loses to S. M. A. and Virginia

The basketball team left on Monday for its trip to Charlottesville, via Staunton, reaching the latter point early in the afternoon. In the rank exhibition of playing it lost to the S. M. A. team in the Staunton skating rink that night. At no time during the evening did the men show up in true form, both team and individual work being wretched, while the reverse was true of the Cabelites. The game was marred by a great deal of unnecessary roughness, especially on the part of the Staunton team, one man being ruled out for exceeding the allowable number of fouls. The officials were Krebs and Pratt. The score was 39 to 19.

The team rested in Staunton until 2 o'clock Tuesday, when it left for Charlottesville. The welcome accorded the cadets by the U. Va. students was most cordial, in keeping with the treatment we have always received at the hands of the University men. The quint was quartered at the Hotel Gleason, where numerous alumni and Institute well-wishers appeared to greet it.

The U. Va.-V. M. I. game took place in the Fairweather gymnasium, and was witnessed by a large crowd. In the first half the University team far outclassed its opponent, although the latter worked much better than it had the night before. The U. Va. quint showed a vast improvement over its performance here three weeks ago. In the second half the cadets held their opponents to a closer score, and the closing minutes of the game were quite exciting.

The contest was clean throughout, and marked by beautiful work on the part of the forwards of both teams. Spratt and Captain May of the U. Va., were easily the stars of the occasion, while both Caffery and Mecredy showed up well. Cecil played well for Virginia at guard. The final score was 56 to 21. The officials were Williams and Pratt.

The game was the last of a season which has been highly unsuccessful, when viewed in the light of the number of games won, but which has forcibly illustrated what V. M. I. men can do under

LIBRARY NOTES

Through the zealous efforts of Mr. R. B. Rhett, the cadet librarian, and the generosity of the cadets themselves, a fund has been collected with which the following books have been added to the library since Jan. 10, 1910:

The Spoilers, The Silver Horde, Truxton King, Two Van Rivals, Woolville Days, Woolville Nights, The Woodcarver of Lympus, Wings of the Morning, The Foreigner, Old Cheslie Tales, White Mice, Lavender and Old Lace, Spinner in the Sun, Col. of the Red Huzzars, Dr. Luke of Labrador, White Sister, Freckles, At the Foot of the Rainbow, Soldiers of Fortune, Beloved Vagabond, The Leopard's Spots, White Fang, Gordon Keith, Whispering Smith, Col. Carter of Cartersville, Lady Baltimore, Bow of Orange Ribbon, Conquest of Canaan, That Lass 'o Lowries, Chip of the Flying V., Three Guardsmen, John Marvel, Assistant, Study in Scarlet, Maid at Arms, Cordigan, Battle of the Strong, Seats of the Mighty, The Col's Daughter, Marion's Faith, Under Fire, The Blazed Trail, The Making of a Man, When Knighthood was in Flowers, Chivalry, The Lion and the Mouse, Lords of High Decision.

In addition to these the following sets of books have been purchased by the Institute:

The South in the Building of the Nation, ten volumes, Library of Southern Literature, sixteen volumes, University Lectures of Arts and Sciences, twelve volumes; making a most valuable addition to the library.

Exchanges

The Naval academy may send team to the intercollegiate field and track meet at New York on May 27. The date is convenient to the midshipmen as annual examinations are over. The navy contingent is particularly anxious to have Carr, who has done the 100-yard dash in 9 4-5 several times, run against the crack collegiate sprinters. Superintendent Bowyer is a strong advocate of athletics and may favor the proposition.

All members of the Sophomore class at the University of Washington, who did not take part in the underclass scrap three weeks ago, are to be ducked in the lake by the members of their own class.

BASEBALL OUTLOOK GOOD

With 65 Candidates Chances for a Winning Team Are Bright

At last the long looked-for baseball season is upon us. Battery practice began Monday evening in the gymnasium, and this indoor practice will continue until the weather permits practice on the hill. So far the prospects are exceedingly good. There are several promising candidates for the battery positions. Among these are Smith, 'E., Robertson, Throckmorton, and Stocks for pitcher; Grove, Reed and Fitzgerald for catcher. Captain Moseley our last year's mainstay in the box, and Bentley, who pitched several of last year's games are back this year. The other men of last year's 'Varsity back are Moore, Chapman and Owen. Several men showed up well, after the 'Varsity season ended, on the class teams, among them being Trinkle, Ely, Walker and Poague. In all there are about 65 applicants out for the various positions on the team.

Manager Hodge has secured the services of Mr. White, a University of Virginia star, who turned out a winning team at William and Mary two years ago, as coach. Mackall has been appointed official score keeper. The first game will be with St. John's on the 26th, of March and the first trip on the 28th.

A fund of \$100,000 has been raised at Haverford College by friends and alumni for the pensioning of old professors.

The University of Missouri is without a foot ball coach for next year. The authorities have several Eastern men in view, but have not made a selection.

Donelson, South African sprinter, last week broke the world's professional record for the 100 yard dash, in the time of 9 3-8 seconds.

Tulane will debate the University of Virginia on the subject of commission government for cities. Last year Tulane was successful over Virginia.

At the University of Minnesota there is a movement on foot to organize a University Commercial Club. All upperclassmen who intend to enter business after leaving the University are to be charter members.

"BOMB" NOTES

During the past week many pictures have been taken for the coming Bomb.

The class pictures and those of the cadet commissioned officers were the principal groups. As he has done for a number of years, Mr. Miley, in Lexington did this work and we feel sure of its being up-to-date in every respect.

As noted before, this year's Bomb will be especial strong in pictures. Real live pictures, true to cadet life and faithfully portraying it in all of its forms. They will all be there from gay and gaudy "O. D." in his "dike" down to the meekest little rat in his "citz," and cadet cap as he appeared in September, shortly after his arrival.

And it's upon these pictures that the editors depend for their best achievements. In the years to come they will grow the dearer to us who are now cadets and we will never tire of looking through them and calling up old and tender memories of dead "Cadet Days."

Alumnus Wishes to Resume Affiliation with His Company

S. B. Akin, cadet captain of "B" company, was recently the recipient of a novel letter from Joseph Flourney, '67, a prominent mining engineer of the West. The letter stated that Mr. Flourney would be here for finals, and requested that he be allowed to march to the Mess Hall with "B," his old company, and eat his fill of "growley" and other concoctions of the Mess Hall kitchen side by side with the successors to his old companions in arms.

The letter was addressed to the captain and second sergeant of "B" company, the latter being included because a remote predecessor in his office, presided over the mess of which Mr. Flourney was a member. Needless to say, Akin and Miller, who hold the above mentioned offices, gave a most cheerful assent to Mr. Flourney's request, and the men of "B" company will gladly welcome this honorary member of their organization.

The seven West Point cadets who were dismissed for hazing will probably be re-instated.

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Rockbridge County News Print

The Athletic Association has been very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Herbert White of Charlottesville, as base ball coach for the season of 1910. Mr. White is well known in collegiate and amateur baseball circles throughout the state and will no doubt turn out a good team despite the lack of material.

His record may be briefly stated as follows: St. Albans 1903 and captain 1904; U. of Va. 1905 (only year there), Winchester, Va., 1906; Charlottesville, Va., 1908; Norfolk Collegians, 1903 to 1909 (captain 3 years). He coached William and Mary in 1908 and had a very successful season.

Mr. White's arrival at the Institute on March 1, will begin the sifting of material for the team, affording nearly a month of coaching before the games begin. It is understood that the schedule will include among others, the following games: Davidson, V. P. I., St. Johns, University of S. C., William and Mary, University of Maryland, and Maryland Agricultural College.

The approach of Finals makes it very necessary that those who have not paid up on the Final German do so at once. The committee has been at work in barracks trying to collect money but so far have not met with very much success. Let it be hoped that this is due to ignorance of the fact that the prompt payment of cadets in this dance will considerably lessen the committee's work in arranging it. For the benefit of the new cadets, the payment on this dance is as much every cadet's duty as his payment on athletics and is

Expected of him for the individual cost has been made as low as is consistently possible. In this connection it might be stated that there is a tendency to delay payment on the midyear dances. At present there is still money outstanding on the opening hops. Since the committee is about \$100 in the hole on the last dance, let every one who possibly can pay up on next Friday night.

On March 26th we play our first ball game of the season with St. John's. Last year they won from us 2-0 in as pretty a game as one would wish for. In 1908 we beat them 8-5. And for two years they have downed us in football, the last time through no fault of our own however. Now what you want to do is to get out and back the team. Tom Mosely is here to lead it and we all know that folks are going to have to hurry to keep up, and those rats that are out for the team are going to find that baseball at V. M. I. is not what it was at home.

No need to recall our record of last year; we all remember that. But now let us get busy and make a real live record this time. Are we going to let every other college in the state fatten its average at our expense? We rather think we are not.

No matter whether you know a baseball when you see it or not, get acquainted; help the team and the team will hold up its end all right.

The Easter Hops will be on 1st and 2nd of April. Any of you fellows that expect to have a calic up for them get on the job and make sure of it at once. Easter hops are usually the biggest of the year, but this time we want to make them record breakers. Wait till you see those cards that Hodge and White have ordered.

We wish thus to extend our sincerest sympathy, and best wishes for a square deal to Coach Bocoock and his men of the V. P. I. squad in their recent trouble.

It is possible that the company pictures which will be in the '10, Bomb will be each in a different uniform.

A group picture of the officers of each company will face their company pictures in this year's Bomb.

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Alumni Notes

Joe Walton, ex-'12, is attending Woodberry-Forest.

Leland Becker, ex-'11, is at home in Roanoke.

P. C. Omohundro, '83, is a chief engineer in Beaumont, Tex.

Ed. Donnan, '08, is at present working in Philadelphia, Pa.

Brooks, '04, is taking a law course at W. & L. U.

D. F. Wills, '97, is a professor at the Mercersburg Academy.

Horace Worden, ex-'04, is a paymaster in the U. S. Navy.

Dr. H. P. Parsons, '06, is travelling in Europe.

F. C. Taliaferro, '07, is travelling in Europe at present.

J. P. Langhorne, '90, is a prominent attorney in San Francisco.

Ben Morgan, ex-'08, is with the Gray-Dudley Hardware company, in Nashville, Tenn.

F. B. Buckner, ex-'06, and West Point, '08, is stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

A. Shafer, '90, is a U. S. Navy recruiting officer at Los Angeles, Cal.

Dr. Eyesler, a member of the famous old New Market corps, is a prominent physician in Baltimore.

A. L. Duncan, '83, once commandant here, is now a major in the Army and is stationed at Missoula, Mont.

Team Suffers Two Defeats

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the most adverse circumstances. At the outset the team was handicapped by the lack of experienced men, McCreedy, McEntee and Pattison being the only men with any previous knowledge. The first two have been out of the game at several stages. Coach Pratt accomplished wonders in developing men. Under his tutelage Blow, Caffery and Kelly worked up to a high degree of proficiency in every department of the game and some of these, with numerous others who have made almost equal progress, will remain to strengthen the team in coming years.

The sport is a new one here, but it can safely be predicted that it has come to stay. With three 'varsity men as a nucleus, and a strong scrub team from which to draw material there is every prospect that V. M. I. will make her mark in basketball next season.

'06 CLASS ADOPTS RINGS

Class spirit is booming among the alumni of 1906, as is evidenced by their desire for class rings. These interesting mementoes of cadet life were for a number of years selected by each class prior to graduation, but the practice was discontinued before 1906 and only came into vogue again with the 1908 men. The 1906 class has decided to adopt a very attractive ring, and Capt. L. S. Nottingham is taking charge of the work of getting it. He has sent out the following letter to his class mates:

V. M. I. Lexington, Va.
Feb. 18, 1910.

Dear Sir: The custom of having class rings, which was discontinued before we came to the Institute, has been revived and the classes that did not get rings are now getting them. Several members of our class have asked me to see if I could get a ring for '06. I therefore took the matter up with several people that do this kind of work and had them submit designs. After looking them over carefully and with the help of others, I decided on the one furnished by the Bailey, Banks & Biddle company of Philadelphia, Pa. The stone is to be a buffed-top Garnet.

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle company will furnish these rings directly upon receipt of order for twenty-five dollars (\$25), or for an order of 25 or more, twenty-three dollars (\$23). So if you wish you may send me check for \$23, giving size (indicating on enclosed card); also full name you wish engraved on the inside.

If you intend getting one let me know at once.

Sincerely,
L. S. NOTTINGHAM, JR. 06.

A Few Minutes With Our Exchanges

Columbia university leads the American colleges in attendance, the total registration being 6,132.

V. P. I. makes the claim to the state championship team in basketball. So far their quint has not been defeated.

At the University of Oregon the Engineering department is considering the establishment of a course in aeronautics.

Only three students have been successful this year in passing the Rodes Scholarship examinations in the state of Illinois.

Culver Military Academy has broken ground for a large and handsome building to be devoted to Y. M. C. A. purposes.

An honorary journalistic fraternity has been organized at Syracuse. The requirements for membership is two years' service on a college daily.

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The shank is further ornamented by crossed sabers, and oak wreath; on the opposite shank appears the class crest with numerals, "1911" raised in the center of a heraldic shield, above which is a ribbon scroll bearing the name "Virginia Military Institute" in relief letters. In the rear of the shield and forming a part of the class crest are cannon and cadets officer's sword crossed by the new model Springfield rifle. Overlooking the cannon will be another eagle commanding a prominent aspect.

The ring will be set with buffed top garnet, faceted beneath to increase the brilliancy of the stone, which will make a much handsomer appearance than one set with an opaque stone or gold top. Encircling this is a band comprised of bound reeds with stars in relief thereon. These stars will give a distinct military appearance, as well as add an attractive feature.

There will be two finishes to the rings, a bright and a dark, the selection of which is left to the individual. The back of the stone can be filled with gold or left open, in this latter case, more light strikes the reflecting angles of the garnet, and gives a greater brilliancy than the closed back, here again the individual is offered his preference. On the inside band will be inscribed the member's name and town and state.

The rings will be manufactured by the Bailey, Banks and Biddle Company, of Philadelphia, who have supplied for a number of years rings for the graduating classes at the U. S. Military and Naval Academy. The execution of the die was started several weeks ago with all possible dispatch consistent with best results, and as soon as it is finished, the time of completion will then be definitely known. The garnets had to be imported. Their arrival, however, will be in ample time for the rest of the work. All the orders have been booked, with the exception of those who will get their rings next year. If things as they now stand, turn out properly, the rings should reach here for delivery by the 1st, of April which date has been fairly impressed upon the company for the limited time.

Jimmy Rector, the former star sprinter at the University of Virginia, is now living in St. Louis, where he may run again under the colors of the Missouri Athletic club.

Spokane College is preparing to establish a course in practical journalism. Instruction will be given in general writing for the press. Besides this, there will be actual training in the makeup of the paper, in methods of circulation and advertising, and in soliciting, collecting and general management.

The V. M. I. Biography.

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 4. Place and date of birth of matriculate.
 5. Period of cadetship, approximately.
 6. If a student at any other institution of learning, give degree or other distinction obtained, if any.
 7. Occupation or profession before the war of 1861.
 8. Full maiden name of wife and her father's name and his residence, and year of marriage, with issue thereof, names.
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 - b. Rank.
 - c. If killed or wounded, state in what battle or engagement.
 - d. If a prisoner, state when and where captured, and where and how long in prison.
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