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GLEE CLUB BACK FROM TRIP

MOST SUCCESSFUL SEASON CLUB HAS HAD IN RECENT YEARS IN MATTER OF FINANCE.

FIVE PERFORMANCES GIVEN

Good Houses Everywhere.—Singers Entertained in Royal Manner at All Places.—Littleton and Louisburg College Receptions.

The Trinity Glee Club returned Saturday at noon from a most successful six day's trip. For the first time in three years the route was eastward. Concerts were given; Monday at Clayton, Tuesday at Louisburg, Wednesday at Warren, Thursday at Littleton and Friday at Oxford.

The concert scheduled for Saturday at Creedmoor was called off on account of the bad weather, high creeks and inconveniences in general. The Club received very high commendation everywhere. Its performances reflect great credit upon the manager, Mr. Bennett, who did all the training himself. In spite of bad colds which necessitated some changes in its personnel the quartette was especially well received as were also the solos and the string trio. So well pleased were the audiences that encores were demanded in practically every instance.

At Clayton a crowd of about 150 assembled in the school building to enjoy the college songs. Louisburg furnished an audience of 200 or more, a large part of which was the fair representation from the female college. At Warren only a very small crowd turned out, largely on account of the absence of the high school boys, whose presence had been counted on. The largest attendance was at Littleton in the college chapel, and so inspiring was the crowd that the Club gave probably its best concert here. In Oxford the attendance was very good considering the inclemency of the weather.

The members of the Club are highly grateful to the people of the various towns for the royal hospitality and entertainment which was accorded them. The pleasures of the trip were greatly increased by the delightful receptions given the Club at the two female colleges of Louisburg and Littleton. In both places the boys were received by the senior classes in parlors lavishly decorated with Trinity colors.

As fun is not lacking to trips of this kind, the Glee Club came in for its share. At Warren a mysterious hand hurled a missile in the dark which struck deep and drew blood from a stalwart Trinitonian. The militia was about to be turned out to hunt down the criminal when it was found that an innocent Glee'er thought he was hitting a bucket with a rock. The victim was unmercifully twitted about the attack of the "Hard Boys." During a three hours' wait at Warren Plains the "troupe" was allowed to amuse itself with such innocent sport as dynamiting the station house, but when the Virginia Reel was started in a religious grocer's shop the wicked ones were hastily ejected.

The meeting of the Writer's Club, scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, has been postponed until after the holidays. It will be held January 9.

A NEW POWER FOR LIGHTS

Connect With Southern Power Company's Wires.

According to information given out from the college office, arrangements are being made to connect the lighting system with the wires of the Southern Power Company so that the electric lights on the campus will be hereafter furnished with "juice," not from the central heating and lighting plant in Crowell Science Hall, but from the great wires that come into Durham from the south.

Some arrangement will be made for cutting the lights out at a certain hour every night in order that the cost of the new power may not exceed that of the old. Sometime in the future meters will probably be installed in each section of the dormitories and the occupants required to pay a certain amount of the total charge for the section.

The disposition of the plant in the Science Hall has not been definitely decided upon. Should the present system of hot water heating be continued, the pumps would be run by electricity from the new source, but it is likely that the hot water heating outfit will be discarded for steam, and in that case there would be no use for a pump in the station. Steam heat from the central plant has been tried in the East Dormitory and is being installed in the new Administration Building, while the Academic Building has a steam plant of its own. In all of these cases the system has been found satisfactory and, while not definitely decided, it is likely that hot water heating will be abandoned in the near future.

In that case the present power station in the Science Hall would be used only for purposes of generating steam, and the other apparatus would be rendered useless.

Christmas Vacation Begins

Tomorrow, Thursday, at one o'clock college work will be suspended for a period of twelve days, ending Wednesday January 3. The greater part of the students will leave for their homes to spend the Christmas holidays Thursday afternoon. Arrangements have been made with the officials of the Southern Railway to have extra coaches attached to the evening trains for the accommodation of the home-going students. Between fifteen and twenty students, however, will remain on the campus during the holidays and will be domiciled during that time in the rooms at the Mary Duke Building.

Change in Education Course

The course in the Department of Education covering the principles of child study in the first half year, and school management during the second term, which has been given up to this time by Prof. W. D. Carmichael, Superintendent of the Durham City Schools, will be under the direction of Professor E. C. Brooks after the holidays. This change is made necessary by the withdrawal of Professor Carmichael from school work to enter the service of the American Tobacco Company.

BUILDING ALMOST FINISHED

WORK ON ADMINISTRATION WING OF WASHINGTON DUKE BUILDING NEAR COMPLETION.

OCCUPIED EARLY IN NEW YEAR

Thought that Offices Will Be Ready February 1.—Other Parts of Structure Will Be Occupied by March.—Description of Interior.

Another of the buildings included in the plans for the Greater Trinity will be occupied early after the holidays. Work on the new administration building, sometimes known as the east wing of the Washington Duke Building is being fast pushed to completion, and President Few stated this morning that he hoped the college offices would be ready for occupancy by February 1. The remainder of the building, he says, will be completed by March 1. The greater part of the work on the exterior of the building has already been finished and the interior is now engaging the efforts of the contractors.

The college offices, which will be located in the east end of the building on the first floor, will be equipped in the most modern fashion, including a wicker work barrier separating the working part of the room from the large lobby around it, similar to that used in banking institutions. There will be a large fireproof vault, for storing the college records and keeping the books of the office, and in addition the president, the secretary, the treasurer and dean will have comfortable private offices in connection with the large room, where the business of the college proper will be transacted.

The building will contain besides these, ten offices for professors in the various departments. The Y. M. C. A. has a spacious hall on the second floor and the literary societies will be well provided for. Five lecture rooms will be located in this building. One of the most important features of the building will be the room provided for social purposes, which will be under the direction of the Young Men's Christian Association and which may be equipped as a reading room, or used in any other manner which will facilitate social life among the students that the association may see fit to adopt. Two large reception rooms will be provided, one on each side of the main entrance to the building; one of these will probably be fitted up for use as a faculty room, while the other will be kept for use on important occasions such as the commencement reception and the like. The new building will be heated with steam supplied from the central heating plant, and lighted by the same methods used in its duplicate, the Academic Building.

Superintendent W. D. Carmichael, of the Durham City Schools, has resigned and Mr. E. J. Green, class 1896, Trinity College, has been elected to succeed him. Mr. Green has been connected with the public schools in Durham ever since his graduation, and for several years has been principal of the High School. He is thoroughly equipped for the work of his new position, and will make a worthy successor to Mr. Carmichael.

FRESHMEN DEFEAT JUNIORS

Victory Gives Class of 1915 Second Place

In the contest for second place in the percentage column, the freshmen last night defeated the juniors by the score of 21 to 18. This game was one of the most interesting and exciting of the series of class games. Several times during the game the score was tied, and it was not until the whistle ending the second half sounded that the winner could be decided upon.

The first half was marked by the small number of field goals on both sides and several fumbles on the freshmen, White showing up well for the juniors in shooting foul goals. The half ended with the score 6 to 5 in favor of the freshmen. Open playing and long shots characterized the second half. Crowell for the freshmen and Ratcliffe for the juniors showed up particularly well in goal throwing, each getting three field goals, while White for the juniors succeeded in scoring five points for his team. The freshmen had the best of the half, scoring 15 points to their opponents 13.

The line-up:

Juniors—White and Warlick, forwards; Hardee, center; Kirkman and Ratcliffe, guards.

Freshmen—Crowell and Carver forwards; Siler, center; Neal, Thorne, Wooten and Brown, guards.

Summary—Field goals: White 2, Warlick 1, Hardee 1, Ratcliffe 3, Crowell 3, Siler 1, Neal 1, Thorne 1, Wooten 1, Brown 1, Carver 1; foul goals: White 4, Crowell 3. Referee, Barringer; Scorer, Hyland; Time-keeper, Lee.

FORTNIGHTLY CLUB MEETS

Hears Paper by London on "The Elective Affinities".

Before the regular meeting of the Fortnightly Club, Friday evening E. J. London read a paper on Goethe's "Die Wahlverwandtschaften." This novel, whose title in English is "The Elective Affinities," deals with the much discussed problem of the marriage relation in connection with the theory of affinity. Mr. London gave an outline of the plot of the novel in an interesting manner and then proceeded to draw his conclusions therefrom.

Goethe, he said, did not intend to sanction the doctrine of affinity, as many have thought, but on the contrary he presents a picture of the unhappiness resulting from a yielding to the elective impulse that would seem to show his disapproval of the theory. The author, however, does not make any precepts upon the subject. He approaches the question from an artistic standpoint, and merely paints the picture of life under certain conditions as he saw it.

After the conclusion of the paper an interesting discussion of its points ensued which was participated in by every member present. The paper was one of the most interesting that has been presented to the Club this year in every respect and dealt with a novel which constitutes one of the most important works of the Goethe. The Fortnightly Club will not hold another meeting until after the holidays.

CHRISTMAS ARCHIVE IS OUT

HOLIDAY NUMBER OF EXCEPTIONAL EXCELLENCE.—CONTENTS APPROPRIATE TO SEASON.

DISCUSSION OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Story by Miss Upchurch a Feature.—Another Essay by Top C. Turvey.—Attractive in New Cover Design of Red with Green.

The December number of the Archive came from the press yesterday, a little late, but attractive in appearance. An interesting item is the increase in the advertising section, which, under the management of R. G. Cherry, has steadily grown larger with each number until this month it is larger than that of any issue of recent months. In respect to the amount of literary matter carried there is also an increase. In contents the issue is made up, in the Literary department, of three essays, three stories, three poems, a sketch, and an oration; there are in addition the usual three departments, Editorial, Exchange and Wayside Wares. The magazine is fairly well balanced; if any criticism could be made it would be that, in proportion to the amount of matter, such as essays and contributions of a similar character, the amount of fiction and verse is small, especially the former. However, to anyone who understands the difficulty encountered by college magazine editors in procuring good contributions of this nature, this matter is easily accounted for.

Miss Nettie Tillett contributes the essay, "Ye Old-Time Christmas," a short account of several forms of celebrations of the holiday season in different parts of the world. Top C. Turvey is again unwilling to stand under his own name, the humorously satirical essay, "Bluff," is very commendable in ideas and construction; a new feature is introduced by the writer in the nature of original pen-and-ink sketches. The most pretentious effort in the essay line is a contribution by Miss Rosa Branch, "The New England Mutual Admiration Society," an account of the Saturday Club organized by Emerson, Holmes, Longfellow, Lowell, and other New England celebrities somewhat on the plan of the English coffee houses of Dr. Johnson's time.

Professor E. H. Spence returns to his old love with this issue of the Archive and contributes two poems, "When Night Comes On," and "Just to Be Loved by You"; these two poems are almost diametrically opposed to each other in thought. Prof. Spence is ably accompanied by N. I. White with the verse, "Time Wreckage," a very commendable production.

In the line of fiction the first place in this issue is undeniably held by Miss Maude Upchurch with the story, "The Ferryman's Christmas," the best written and handled contribution in the issue. It may be noted here that this is Miss Upchurch's first contribution to the Archive; the co-eds are setting a high standard for the masculine contributors to come up to this year. J. W. Bain has written in very good style on a somewhat trite theme in his story "The Wanderer." James Cannon, Jr.,

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We should like to call attention to the editorial in the Archive this month on the subject of the Fort-nightly Club prize. The province with which this prize has to do lies wholly within the field of the Archive, but, as the movement is a good one and deserves all publicity possible, we feel no hesitancy in referring those interested, to the Archive editorial. A statement in regard to the prize appeared in the Chronicle for November 8.

The connection that is being made with the wires of the Southern Power Company for the purpose of furnishing lights for the college buildings will bring a much needed relief for the heating plant in the Science Hall which has been strained to the utmost to carry the large number of lights that are burning on the campus every night. We hope that this move will mean that the Library will be kept open at night beginning in the near future, but leaving that out of consideration, the added efficiency of the lights in the various dormitories will be sufficient cause for rejoicing.

Now is the time when all good women, fair damsels, and young girls reach the frantic stage in their efforts to think of what article to give this person and what to give that one. The reason for all this excitement on the part of the feminine half of our population has been sought far and wide by close observers but so far no adequate explanation has been found save that the party who is to be the recipient of a favor this year, "gave me something last." By this method, on the basis of last year, many lasting accounts with entries of gifts on both sides are opened, and each party keeping such an account feels deeply aggrieved if the totals on both sides do not balance. Sslah!

The recent ruling of the faculty in regard to the absences from gymnasium work, if carried out to the letter, will mean an increased amount of benefit to be derived from physical training at Trinity College. Heretofore the depart-

ment has been too much neglected, and students were too prone to play tennis and engage in other sports to the exclusion of gymnasium training. Now comes the ruling that from Thanksgiving to Easter, all absences from the gymnasium will be placed on the same footing that absences from other classes are; that is six absences will be taken as sufficient grounds for dismissing a student from college. Such a rule really will work no hardship upon the students, as it only applies to four months during the year and those are the ones which are the least likely to be suitable for outdoor sports. Under ordinary conditions the students, unless they are engaged actively in indoor work will suffer from lack of exercise during the winter and their class work will be reduced in efficiency in consequence. Looking at the matter from this standpoint, every student should do all in his power to make the new regulation effective.

As the students go out of their various homes to spend the holidays in different manners and in widely separated localities, the Chronicle wishes each and every one of them the finest kind of a Christmas and the full enjoyment of every minute they have for their freedom. The time cometh, however, when they must return to their academic halls and take up again the strenuous duties of preparing for the final tests of their term's work, and woe to the man who becometh enamoured with pleasure during the time that shall elapse between the twenty-first of December, 1911, and the third of January, 1912. Such a one will find it extremely hard to take up the lines of duty where they were laid down, and the examinations will seem doubly hard for him. Oh, no, we are not meaning to take the attitude of the old lady who was always worrying when she was well, about getting sick again. Nothing of the sort. This is just a plain, common sense application of the doctrine of expediency to the spirit in which we are going to spend the holidays. And the Chronicle,—well, it will get the benefit of a longer holiday than the rest of the students. How's that? Well, we'll tell you later.

Users of the fragrant weed, and lighters of lanterns and other illuminating instruments consuming kerosene or kindred fluids, have noticed, doubtless, the recent deterioration in the quality of the wood used in manufacturing match sticks. There was a time, long, long ago when smokers could strike a light on their trousers or other part of their anatomy without causing a brilliant streak of fire to go off at a tangent, to be pursued in vain by their restraining hand. Those were the days when a pipe could be lighted in the wind almost as easily as in the still atmosphere of a new England parlor. Now the manufacturers of matches have attached the name "parlor" to their product, and have indeed come to have a certain justice in their claim of such distinction for their articles. It is almost an incontrovertible fact that today no match can be ignited except within the limiting and all containing walls of some room, which will serve to keep the fragments of flaming phosphorus from taking their flight to a far country. It might not be amiss to suggest the appointment of a commission to look into the matter and find out just what steps should be taken to improve the quality of the spruce (or

whatever wood is used) that goes into match sticks. The manufacturers should be requested to spruce up a little and thus keep the buyer from getting stuck on his match sticks.

The Chronicle will take a vacation after this issue. We believe it has been said on every such occasion, that it is one of the privileges which college journals enjoy and which is denied to others, that they may suspend publication in times of particular stress or pleasure; but we do not hesitate to repeat this, and our hearts are made glad by the fact. There will be one issue only of the Chronicle between the holidays and examination. That will be Wednesday, January 10, 1912. As the old year departs and we complete the first half of our volume, we feel the lightening of the load upon us, but there comes, too, an added realization of the approaching conclusion of the volume, and this is not so attractive nor gladsome. We hope from every student and subscriber the same courtesy during the remainder of the college year that has been extended to us during the time that we have had charge of the publication so far, and we feel that a large part of the credit, if there by any, for publishing the paper, belongs to those who have so heartily rendered assistance in every way possible.

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Societies Plan to Furnish Halls

The committees from the Hesperian and Columbian Literary Societies to formulate plans for the furnishing of the new halls, which will be ready for occupancy by the beginning of the next term, met jointly with President Few last Thursday and a plan by which the halls may be furnished was instituted. According to the plan each Alumnus is to furnish one seat or desk for the hall. The desks will be modeled after those in use in the House of Representatives.

A committee from each society has been appointed to get in touch with the alumni, and to find out just how many of them would be willing to contribute enough for one desk to the society. Professor R. L. Flowers was appointed to advise the societies in matters regarding the furnishing of the halls. The committees will get busy at once, and every effort will be made to get as many of the old men to subscribe to the plan as possible.

Post Office Will Be Open

The College Station, the Trinity College branch of the Durham post office, will remain open during the Christmas holidays and transact business as usual. Mr. Bristow, the clerk in charge, will not be in the office all of the time, but in his absence a clerk from the Durham office will transact the business as usual. The office will not be kept open quite as much of the day as it is now, but the three regular deliveries and collections of mail will continue during the time.

Those students who expect to receive mail during the holidays, and wish it forwarded to them at their home address should call at the office and leave instructions to that effect. All such mail will be forwarded as it is received by the clerk in charge.

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COLLEGE PICKINGS

A. S. Brower spent yesterday in Raleigh on business in interest of the Annual.

Miss Maud Upchurch was called to her home in Norwood Monday on account of the illness of her mother.

John Peter Wynn, of the Junior class, was called to his home in Enfield last Thursday on account of the illness of his mother.

W. George Matton, '10, will arrive this afternoon to visit friends on the campus. Mr. Matton is now employed by the American Tobacco Co. in Creedmoor.

Lee Stack, of the Freshman class, was carried to the Hospital yesterday with a very severe attack of appendicitis. It is reported that he is getting along as well as could be expected.

Louis I. Jaffe, last year's editor of the Chronicle, and at present a member of the reportorial staff of the Richmond Times-Dispatch, will arrive tomorrow afternoon, to spend a few days with friends here.

On account of Willis Smith not being able to serve as Business Manager of the Annual, the Manager has appointed in his place Henry A. McKinnon, of Maxton. Mr. McKinnon is a man of ability along this line, and doubtless addition to the Annual staff will mean a great deal toward the successful publication of the book.

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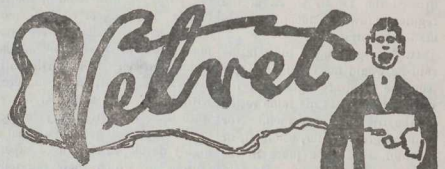
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DR. GLASSON TO Y. M. C. A.

Talks Personality and Influence of the Master.

Taking as his subject, "The Greatest Figure of the World's History," Dr. W. H. Glasson, of the Department of Economics, addressed the Y. M. C. A. at the regular midweek meeting Wednesday evening.

In the beginning of his talk, he said he would not consider Napoleon the greatest figure of the world's history, as his fame rested on the lives of other men. Nor would a great writer, scientist, or inventor fill such a place in the history of the world. He said Christ was the only true type of a great figure in the world's history. The speaker then showed the influence of the teachings of Jesus in bringing about great changes in the affairs of the world. He showed how the teaching of Christ, that there is only one God, has brought about the development, spread, and final division of the church.

The teachings of Christ, he said, have been instrumental in establishing governments and in the making of laws of nations. Their influence has been great in art, many of the most beautiful paintings now existing being of Christ, or representative of the parables. The influence of the spirit of Jesus in architecture was then discussed, and it was shown how they have brought about the construction of many beautiful churches and cathedrals. Dr. Glasson next showed the effects missionary movements in China, Japan, Korea, Africa and Persia, have wrought thru the teachings of Christ. He said this spirit of Christ has been effective in bringing about international peace, and in settling disputes by fairness instead of by force.

In closing he, by showing wherein college men find ample room for putting into practice the teachings of the Master, urged the application of religion to one's everyday life by causing it to be come a part of that life.

Professor R. L. Flowers, Secretary of the College, has received a letter from Miss Virginia Lee Patterson, Fredericksburg, Virginia, who states that her father, John H. Patterson, was a student in Trinity College just before the Civil War. Her father left college to join the Thirty-seventh Battalion of Virginia Cavalry. Miss Patterson is anxious to secure information about the formation of the battalion and also to correspond with any one who knew her father when in college.

Mr. G. H. Flowers, class 1903, who has been connected with the Leaf Department of the British-American Tobacco Co. in Durham for several years, has been transferred to Richmond, Va. He is with the Leaf Department of the same company in that city.

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PROF. GILL READS PAPER

Discusses Roman Superstitions Before Classicists.

Professor W. F. Gill, of the department of Latin, read a very interesting paper at the meeting of the Classical Club held Thursday night in the Latin room of the library. The subject was "Roman Superstitions." They were explained in their relation to the Roman citizen from birth until death: superstitions connected with birth, marriage, and death, were those affecting every subject of the empire. The Romans had a highly developed scheme of superstitions by which their religious rites and ceremonies were governed; numbers, sneezing, charms against the evil-eye,—all had superstitious origins or were omens for either good or evil as the case might be. Naturally there grew up special schools or colleges of men whose business was the interpretation of different omens, and so developed the science of omens, but many signs and superstitions were merely the popular interpretation of natural signs. It was stated that nearly all of present-day superstitions have parallels in the Latin or other languages.

Part of the business of the meeting was the consideration of adopting some more elaborate form of initiation than has hitherto been in vogue and a committee was appointed to consider the plan and devise some form of initiatory exercises for future initiations of the Club. There will be no other meeting of the Club until after the holidays.

CHRISTMAS ARCHIVE IS OUT

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contributes the story "A Study in Psychology."

S. W. Marr's sketch of an interesting old character, "Nick," is a very well written humorous sketch, altho somewhat short. The literary contributions are completed by the oration, "Individuality," which was delivered by R. L. Ferguson at the last commencement in competition for the Wiley Gray medal.

The other departments are good, and their heads deserve credit for the fulfillment of their somewhat thankless tasks in such good fashion.

Mr. W. B. Kiker, class 1908, is one of the engineers engaged in the construction of the great Flagler railroad to Key West. Mr. Kiker has written to a friend concerning Mr. Flagler's inspection tour of the remarkable road. He was much pleased with the progress of the work, and it is expected it will be only a short time until trains will be running over the road. This is one of the most wonderful pieces of road construction to be found in this country. Mr. Kiker is expecting to go to Cuba when the road is completed.

Mr. Cecil B. Arthur, a graduate of Trinity College, who has been with the "American Tobacco Co. in New York City for several years, has gone with the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co., and is now stationed in St. Louis. Mr. Arthur is from Morehead City, N. C.

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