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Now for baseball.

Have you been caught?

The Annual is coming—write for it.

Two weeks' work—then Christmas.

Next year's football team, here's to you.

The bird will appear once more in 1909.

How about county clubs for the Annual?

Several new block "C's" floating around.

Come together and help make the last issue a winner.

One hundred men out for class football; that looks like new material.

some that we cease to give the name to the correct strong men and call this other team, but this we do not favor. There is a certain charm in that name; there is a certain inspiring sound to that name, and that is the charm in that semi-official title. Scrubs today, scrubs tomorrow; may their praises ever be sung, may their rewards ever increase!

GLASS CLASS.

Class football is now in its glory, and the interest of all is centered upon the teams representing the four different classes. The min have been out now for about two weeks, and ere this appears, the preliminary bouts between the Freshmen and Sophomores and Juniors vs. Seniors will be played.

Intercolligate football fills a place in the American college that could be taken by no other game. Indeed, it is the field wherein our athletic talent and ability is best shown. But, taking our college as an instance, it can be safely said that varsity football is much more far-reaching in its effects than that played by the different classes. This may seem an extravagantly statement, but let us consider a moment. At the first place, our varsity men are usually those who have been developed in previous years, and are out to show their athletic ability. They are the favored few who are naturally big enough or quick enough to gain a place on the team. Again, the varsity and scrub together usually number about thirty-five men. Compare this with the ninety or eighty class club.

True, the class men are out only for about two or three weeks, but still, that is sufficient to aid them some physically, and certainly enough to encourage them to develop themselves farther, and possibly to try for varsity the next year.

The Advisory Board, realizing the real purpose of these games, namely, to bring out new men, has debarred varsity men, and so everyone, be he as small as big has a good chance to extend for a place in the varisty clubs in the coming games. We wish to encourage this step and to ask every man to come out in a uniform.

THE AWAKENING INTEREST OF THE ALUMNI.

While arranging this issue of the paper, the editor was very forcibly struck with several signs of interest by the alumni. The first of these is the address of Mr. Lewis J. McSwain, Manager of the Knickerbocker Insurance Company, at a dinner given by him in honor of Mr. J. J. McSwain, of Greenville, S. C. The second of these, which we find mention of, is the medal given annually by Hon. Alonzo T. Lowery, of Rhode Island, S. C., and the last is the speech of Hon. J. J. McSwain, of Greenville, also.

It may seem to some that this is just a peculiar coincidence, but to those who have watched the growth of our institution, it can only mean that we are making some progress. A university, with an energetic president (we know we have this), an honorable student body (we think we have this), and, lastly, and, in all probability, the presence of some of a loyal alumni (we feel sure that now we have this), will surely progress, so "trench Carolina grove."

LIGHTS.

Why is it that regularly, once a week, I am reminded in Prat Hall to remain till the next day some time? This has occurred now some four or five times, and still nothing has been done to remedy the cause. After it had happened several times during lectures, some slender persons made the accusation that it was done by the students themselves. This we know to be untrue, and we call for some immediate action. The regularity of the thing is becoming painful. It is very disagreeable indeed to have yourself suddenly surrounded by complete darkness just as you are getting to the mysteries of some trying problem.

There are, however, only two things to do: You must either go to the library and study the first place, or betake yourself to some other fellow's room that is lighted, and there try to concentrate your mind amid the noise of a half dozen other occupants. Most professors hesitate to excite a man on the hard luck story that the lights went out: so we call for something, be it food, gas, or what not, by which we may shut out on our own resources that which is written in our books.

Address of Mr. J. J. McSwain.

Today we publish the third section of the address by J. J. McSwain, Esq., of Greenville, S. C., on the work of the literary societies:

Today the needs of the country cry aloud for citizens of alert powers who will enlist in the warfare against public and private injustice. The Adams, who ran riots throughout public and commercial life. All ideals are prostituted for money; honor and integrity are set upon the market like stocks and bonds; virtue and elasticity ring upon the changes of commerce; public office is no longer a public trust, but a public opportunity for private gain. The greatest trust companies in the history of the world, the American life insurance companies, have toyed with the billions which the hard-working, self-sacrificing American citizen has paid in premiums to save a support for the widow and orphan. These fabulous accumulations have been manipulated to make millionaires out of the greatest trust policy holder still struggling and saves. And these amassed trusts fund of the people have been used to control the markets of the country, to reduce the price for what the people must buy, to lower the wages of the working man, to make the economic policies of political men for who use them still further to deprive the people of their weapons of self-defense.

The printed page is enshrined through the world that the legislature of the grand old State of Massachusetts, the home of the Pilgrim fathers, has been bought and sold like sugar on the market; and no man has risen up to brand the accuser for libel. The Empire State of the nation, the home of the Knickerbocker patriots, now asks for the resignation from the United States Senate of one who, until recently, was popularly supposed to be an example for the ambitious youth of America. Business, service, relates and cheats in public buildings, graft in contracts for army and navy supplies, bribes, hold-ups and relates by political bosses, who influence government appointments, all these cry to heaven for a reformation in a civic life. They demand, not alone certain punishment for offenders against existing law, nor for more specific and comprehensive enactments, but also a corrected and purified ideal of personal and public honesty. When this is restored, the nation will be restored, and public and private virtue. The stream must be purified at its fountains. Our American young manhood must awake to the fact that a nation holds its life on condition: that the example of Roman decadence must be read at our peril. We must remember that the outward forms of freedom and law must atrophy and perish together in the spirit was dead; that her people all this time were enslaved to her imperial policy of war and conquest, and this eventuated in the legal system that addressed the people as freemen. Shall we be numbered with those, who, having eyes, see not; having ears, hear not, the steady onward, tramp, tramp, tramp, of a citizenry that would undermine the bulwarks of public law, and destroy the castles of private freedom?

Some one has said that the only place left in American soil where a dollar is at a discount is within our colleges. That place in the colleges where the dollar is at the greatest discount is in the literary society.

This is true especially with reference to distinctions among students as to individual wealth or poverty; in my observa-