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W. L. U., 6; vs. V. M. I., 5.

Great are expectations and small are realizations. The same truth holds true in regard to our first game with the V. M. I. In these games the unexpected generally happens and as a rule we are the victims.

The game on Saturday was interesting, and at its close exciting, for it looked once as if our friends across the way "would go marching back to barracks" with triumphal colors. Good rooting and the fine work of the team, however, brought up the score four points and won the game.

Andrews pitched a good game but unfortunately in the fifth inning was forced to leave the box on account of having wrenched his arm. This left Baker in a trying position, but he was fully equal to the occasion and more than an equal for the cadets. Smith, although he made two costly errors, played a beautiful game at second, and should be retained in that position. "Oom Paul" caught the best game yet, and Bagley, S. C., although a ground-scorcher passed through him at the rate of 100 miles an hour, redeemed his reputation by another grandstand stop. All the other members of the team played in their usual good form.

HOW WE WON.

1st Inning.—W. L. U. Baker opened up by striking out. Crawford waited for Corneal to send him to first, and went to 2nd upon a wild pitch, but was left there by Sam Bagley fanning and Andrews knocking a grounder to first.

V. M. I. Roller opened up for his team with a strike out. I. Johnson hit to pitcher, out at first. McCabe retired his side as Andrews did W. L. U.

2nd Inning.—W. L. U. Fox hit to pitcher, out at 1st. "Oom Paul" flew out to shortstop. Boogher hit to short, out at the initial bag.

V. M. I. Perry out from pitcher to 1st. E. Johnson got a "Texas Leaguer," but was thrown out in attempting to steal 2nd. Corneal re-

tired the side by a long fly over 2nd, which Smith captured.

3rd Inning.—W. L. U. Smith hit to 1st, out. Spencer started the ball rolling by getting a present of four balls. Baker was served with the same compliment. Crawford was hit on the shoulder. "Lil" Bagley made three attempts to make a bunt or hit, and took his seat. With three men on bases Corneal forced in a run by giving Andrews his base on balls. Fox retired the side by flying out to McCabe.

V. M. I. Swift swiftly "fanned." Marshall flew out to Boogher. Hudgins went out from 3rd to 1st.

Score: W. L. U. 1; V. M. I. 0.

4th Inning.—W. L. U. "Oom Paul" got his base on balls, stole 2nd and came home on centre field drive of Boogher's which Marshall failed to handle. Smith hit to first, out. Boogher advanced to 3rd. Spencer hit to pitcher, out at first. Booker in the meantime tried to make another run, but was caught at-home by first baseman quickly returning the ball.

V. M. I. Roller hit to short, out at first. I. Johnson hit to Smith, out at the same initial bag. McCabe did the same act.

Score: W. L. U. 2, V. M. I. 0.

5th Inning.—W. L. U. Corneal sent his fifth man—Baker—to first on balls. Crawford fouled out to first. Baker stole second and went to third on Roller's wild throw in trying to catch him off second. Sam Bagley registered his third strike out. Andrews made the sixth man to get his base on balls, and then stole 2nd. Fox made the seventh. "Oom Paul" retired the side from short to 1st.

V. M. I. Perry got a single. E. Johnson hit a "nice one" into "Fit" Bagley's hand, which got through, allowing the ball to go on down the hillside. Baker allowed the same thing, Perry circling the bases and E. Johnson going to 2nd. Corneal "fanned," Swift hit to Smith, and in his attempt to cut off Johnson, he threw wild, the runner scoring. Marshall got his base on balls, Baker having at this time succeeded

Andrews who had strained his arm. Hudgins hit to Smith, and for the second time Smith made a wild throw, allowing the runner to score. Roller singled, Marshall and Hudgins scoring. Roller tried to steal 2nd on Andrews' "bluff throw" home, but was caught between the bases. I. Johnson flew out to Smith. This was the beginning as well as the end of their run getting.

Score: W. L. U. 2, V. M. I. 5.

6th Inning.—W. L. U. Boogher lined it out for two bags. Smith couldn't make connection. Spencer fouled out to first. Baker made his second strike out.

V. M. I. McCabe out from short to first. Perry hit a "pop-up" into Baker's hands. E. Johnson out from Smith to Spencer.

7th Inning.—W. L. U. Crawford should have been entitled to a home run, but he stopped at third. "Lil" Bagley tried to bunt but Cadet Perry threw wild to first, Crawford coming home. Bagley then stole second, but was soon caught napping. Andrews hit down at the home plate and was thrown out. Fox got his first on error of shortstop, stole second and third but was left there by "Oom" failing to make connection.

V. M. I. Corneal flew out to Baker, Swift hit down at the home plate, but he was not "swift" enough to outrun "Oom's" fast throwing. Marshall's bat had something wrong about it—he ended the 7th.

Score: W. L. U. 3, V. M. I. 5.

8th Inning.—W. L. U. Boogher flew out to centre. Smith was presented with a hit on the shoulder, went to 2nd on hit of Spencer's and came home on hit of Baker's, Spencer going to 2nd. Spencer stole 3rd. Baker stole 2nd. Crawford hit to short, out at first, Spencer going home on the play, Baker advancing to 3rd. "Tit" fouled out to 3rd.

V. M. I. Hudgins "sawed the air." Roller flew out to Andrews. I. Johnson made three efforts and tried to "beat out" "Oom's" failure to catch the third strike. But the sphere was in Spencer's mit before

the runner was half way to the base.

Score: W. L. U. 5, V. M. I.

9th Inning.—W. L. U. "Polly" got his base on balls for the third time. But he was caught off 2nd by hit of Fox to 2nd, who played the ball to 2nd before Andrews could reach the base. Fox was thrown out at 2nd on a try at stealing—something a lawyer ought not be found trying to do. "Oom" got sent to his base on balls, stole 2nd and then circled the bases on an error of the shortstop. Boogher flew out to right.

V. M. I. McCabe was hit on the back, tried to steal 2nd, but "right dar is whar he died." Perry hit down at home, out at 1st. E. Johnson hit to "Titlum." He threw it to Spencer who failed to field it properly. Corneal got a single. But the game ended by Swift hitting to pitcher, out at 1st.

Score: W. L. U. 6, V. M. I. 5.

E. C.

		SCORE.									
		A.	B.	R.	H.	P.	O.	A.	E.		
W. L. U.		3	0	1	5	2	1	1	1		
Baker, I. J. p.		2	1	1	0	1	0				
Crawford, 3b.		5	1	0	0	1	1	0			
Bagley, S. C., ss.		2	0	0	1	2	0				
Andrews, p., l. f.		4	0	0	0	0	0				
Fox, c. f.		3	2	0	5	0					
Bagley, J. W., c.		5	0	1	1	0	0				
Boogher, r. f.		4	1	0	4	4	2				
Smith, 2b.		3	2	1	14	0	1				
Spencer, lb.		21	6	4	27	10	5				

V. M. I.		4	0	1	5	2	1	0			
Roller, c.		4	0	0	11	1	0				
I. Johnson, lb.		3	0	0	8	1	0				
McCabe, 3b.		4	1	1	1	0	1				
Perry, 3b.		4	1	1	1	0	0				
E. Johnson, r. f.		4	0	1	1	0	0				
Corneal, p.		4	1	0	0	0	0				
Swift, l. f.		2	1	0	1	0	1				
Marshall, c. f.		3	1	0	2	4	2				
Hudgins, ss.		22	5	4	27	10	5				

		Score by Innings.									
		0	1	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0
W. L. U.		0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
V. M. I.		0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0

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The decision of the faculty on last Monday afternoon and the resultant demonstration on the part of the students seems to have been the result of a general misunderstanding. The baseball management asked for a leave of absence for taking a western trip, the first game to be played in Lynchburg on May 9th with the University of Virginia, and the last game to be played with Central University, in Richmond, Ky., on May 20. Allowing one day, May 21st, for the return home from Richmond would make a total of 13 days asked for and excluding two Sundays would a total of 11 academic days asked for taking the trip. A total of nine games were to be played, and it was estimated that after taking the trip there would remain at the end of the season a cash surplus of about \$96 to the credit of the baseball team in the athletic treasury. Each member of the team had subscribed \$5.00 toward the funds for the trip; the management had at great worry and inconvenience to themselves secured a series of entertainment during the winter term, and it was the general impression among the students who patronized them that the funds realized were to be applied toward a western trip. It was solely that reason that prompted many to attend them, and it is needless to say that the management did not give them merely for the sake of losing time from their classes and regular work. Consequently when

it became generally known that the faculty had refused to grant the trip a great many well laid plans were knocked in the head.

At this point the misunderstanding arose. The students were under the impression that the faculty had reaffirmed the four day rule, and as that measure is generally considered obnoxious, the student-body at once proceeded to give a lively demonstration of their chagrin and disappointment. Here they made a mistake in one direction. No one objected to having them hang or burn the faculty in effigy, or to consign them to a scaffold composed of sour apple trees, but it is to be deplored that they were carried so far beyond the bounds of prudence as to wantonly destroy the college property. Such action was not right in itself and could only have the effect of further antagonizing the powers that be.

Since this violent expression of feeling it has been currently reported that the faculty were not opposed to the trip, that they were under the impression that 13 days were asked for, and that they did not mean to reaffirm the four day rule in the catalogue, but would probably have been willing to extend it several days. On the other hand some rumor also has it that an express motion was made in the faculty to grant a seven days leave of absence, which motion was rejected by that body. Such are the various reports.

After considering the effects of an 11 days leave of absence upon the work of the men, and the manner with which it would have been viewed from the outside world, no one can be disposed to judge the faculty harshly for their decision. It is evident that the cause of athletics at heart, and that their action was not intended as a damper upon them. It is equally true, however, that the financial arrangements for an extended trip requires the playing of a considerable number of games. The trip could not be made in six or seven days without losing a large sum of money.

Our development of the whole matter, or at least a truth which has been intensified in its force, is that the four day rule in regard to taking trips is utterly impracticable. No town has worse railroad facilities than Lexington, and one of our

athletic teams after making a trip to Roanoke or Lynchburg would have no more time at its disposal. It would be impossible for a team to play more than two games in the state, and should it leave the state, for instance, a trip to Kentucky, it would be at considerable loss. One of the causes of our failures in the West may be attributed to the fact that our teams are compelled to travel at unreasonable hours of the night in day coaches in order to comply with the requirements of this rule. The four day rule is out of keeping with the conditions that surround us and is impracticable. No rule is better than a bad rule. If an arbitrary leave of absence is to be fixed why not make such a rule as will be practicable, and that will tend to encourage rather than to discourage athletics.

Literary Societies.

Both Literary societies were compelled to adjourn last Saturday night for the lack of a quorum. When this stage is reached, affairs have come to a critical point.

The literary societies are deserving of as much support in their way as athletics, and are equally deserving of college spirit. Saturday nights in springtime, however, can be spent more pleasantly, and consequently the societies must suffer. This seems to be the case in all colleges. It is a common regret among college graduates that they didn't take more interest in the societies. Let every man of both societies take a brace, and not be compelled to say in after years what might have been. This week the editor, assistant editor and business manager of the Southern Collegian for next year will be elected.

On last Friday night Dr. H. A. White delivered an address in Richmond in the Hall of the House of Delegates, before the Society for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, entitled "The Making of the Federal Constitution."

Ezekiel's statue, "Virginia Mourning her Dead," which is to be placed on the V. M. I. parade ground in commemoration of the Cadets who fell at New Market, arrived in Lexington on Thursday afternoon and was conveyed to the parade ground under the escort of the Cadet corps.

W. L. U. 3; Miller School 0.

GAME STOPPED BY RAIN IN THE SIXTH INNING.

The game on Friday from both a spectator's and a player's point of view, was unsatisfactory. The cold, drizzling rain sent chills through the crowd, and the ball was in no condition to handle properly.

Millers played very good ball and hit the ball well, each of our outfielders being credited with a put-out. Though they made seven errors which cost them the game, many of them were excusable on account of the condition of the ball and of the grounds.

Crawford's pitching showed that he had lost none of his powers of last season, and the team as a whole did excellent field work. At the bat we did practically nothing, no clean hits being made at all. This and one other game have demonstrated that the team needs good, hard batting practice and the sooner we have it the better it will be.

HOW THE RUNS WERE MADE.

Baker opened up with a base on balls. Crawford hit to Gault, who threw him out at first, Baker going to 2nd. Here Baker advanced too much off 2nd for the pitcher. In trying to catch him Gault threw through 2nd and Baker trotted on toward third. The center fielder recovered the ball and in the attempt to cut Baker off on third, threw wild, Baker tallying. The next runs were made in the 3rd inning. Baker got his base on balls again, and stole 2nd. Crawford went out by a "pop-up" to Robb. Sam Bagley hit to short but that gentleman made an error in delivering it to 1st, Baker going to 3rd and Bagley continuing his running to 2nd. Baker's venturing off the base was too much for Gault and he threw wild again, Baker making his second run. Bagley scored on an error by Goodwin.

The game was called after the sixth inning, the rain being too much for good ball.

B. Innings:
W. L. U.— . . . 1 0 2 0 0 0—3
Millers— . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Summary.—Bases stolen, Baker, Andrews, J. Bagley, Boogher. Two base hits, Goodwin. Base on balls, Crawford 1, Gault 4. Hit by pitched balls, Crawford 1, Gault 2. Struck out, Crawford 11, Gault 3. Passed balls, Bagley 1. Time of game, one hour. Umpire, Robinson.

Miss Mamie Crawford of Strasburg, Va., is the guest of Miss Mary Preston Moore.

The Easter German

The Easter german, which was postponed from Easter Monday, was danced last Monday night, the 15th, by a large number of the followers of Terpsichore.

The german was led by Mr. Conrad, assisted by Mr. Wertenbaker, whose fame at Charlottesville is too well known to be spoken of, and suffice it to say that the german, while it lasted, was progressing in so successful a manner as to do credit to both of the gentlemen.

The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Brockenbrough, Captain and Mrs. Walker and Captain and Mrs. Corse and Miss "Annie Joe," and to them thanks are due for staying "an hour longer" than the time appointed for breaking up.

Among the visiting "calie" present were Miss Nichols of Petersburg, Miss Jones of Staunton, Miss Kempf of Goshen, Miss Turner of "The Plains," Miss Purcell of Richmond, Miss Butler of Arkansas, Miss Sale of Bedford, Miss Sands of Richmond, Miss Cameron of Goshen, Miss Stacker of Clarksville, Tenn.; Miss Dennis of Baltimore, and the Misses Glasgow of Buena Vista. "Our faithful few", of whom we are justly proud, called our "home girls," were Miss Louise Brockenbrough, Miss Nellie Brockenbrough, Miss Bruce Houston, Miss Mary Houston, Miss Mary Moore, Miss Martha Moore and Miss Carrie Harman.

The gentlemen present were Messrs. Robinson, Conrad, Goshorn, Tucker, Osborne, Daniel, Allen, Sale, McCluer, "Bridges, Harby and Glass," Heth, Pancake, Rouss, Booker, Bagley, S. C., and Bagley, J. W., Withers, Burks, Captains Derbyshire, Watts, Wood, Stockdale and Major Marshall of the V. M. I.; Cooke, Baker, Owen, Ring, Glass and many others.

After a dozen or so figures were danced, including one which no one seemed to know much about except the three dancers and their "lady partners," the german degenerated into a hop, which was even more enjoyable than the german.

At 1.30, when the strains of Home Sweet Home were wafted to the ears of the merry crowd, a wild rush was made for the chaperones, who very kindly consented to let the fun go on until 2, and when the last dance of the evening was over the dancers seemed sorry to leave the hall.

A Plea.

The middle of April has passed and still many subscribers have failed to pay up. The business manager is very unwilling to "dun" these delinquents and would consider it a personal favor if all subscribers would see that their subscriptions are paid at once. We must have money to get out the remaining six issues of the paper.

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College men and the duty they owe to the public, especially in a republic where a healthy public opinion is of supreme importance, and where the wiles of the demagogue can be practiced on such an extensive scale, was the subject of Prof. Denny's address. From this main thesis he drew the inferences, that it is the duty of the educated man to avoid the danger of floating easily along on the current of public opinion, and to create a sound public sentiment on all questions, to resist demagogery, and to stand for all things that tend toward the overthrow of error, and the upbuilding of the cause of liberty and righteousness.

The Western Trip.

The trip of the baseball team through Kentucky and Tennessee will be abandoned for the reason that the time which the faculty would probably grant would not be sufficient to make the trip a financial success. On such a trip a considerable number of games must be played in order that the expenses may be offset by the guarantees. From all reports the longest leave of absence which the faculty would grant would be seven days, probably not that, giving us four games on the trip, which would not cover one-half of the expenses. No other trip has been definitely arranged.

Schedule of Games for Next Week.

- Randolph-Macon vs. W. and L., Monday, 22nd.
- Roanoke College vs. W. and L., Thursday, 25th.
- V. M. I. vs. W. and L., Saturday, 27th.

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