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## A Queer Decision.

Everyone will doubtless be surprised to learn that Mr. McKellar will no longer be connected with the Grammar School. Since the beginning of his official connection with the school, Mr. McKellar has been faithful and zealous in its cause and untiring in his efforts to discharge what appeared to be his plain duty. We challenge any one to cite a single instance where even the combined efforts of the instructors have rendered such effective service.

The Sigma Pi Literary Society, and a great deal of what the Grammar School is to-day, is due to the efforts of this one man. The Sigma Pi anniversary exercises are always enjoyable, and have never failed to reflect credit on the youthful talent of this institution. The anniversary last night was a splendid tribute to Mr. McKellar's ability and loyalty.

In conclusion, the writer wishes it expressly understood that what has been said was not occasioned by any rebellious spirit or ill feeling to the Board. It is simply a just acknowledgment of a faithful servant's own intrinsic worth.

Tennis is not quite dead. The St. Luke's Tennis Club has proved a great success. It has had the beneficent effect of bringing out of their holes those students who are prone to develop the mind to the neglect of body, as also to afford amusement for those who hitherto have done neither. The court is in a splendid condition. Every evening there is a rush for it and happy are the "first come," for they are "first served." This week is the appointed time for the club tournament; considerable interest has been aroused and much practice taken. The victorious players will be well qualified to enter the next tournament of the whole University. These minor tennis clubs should be encouraged.

## A BIT OF VERSE.

Cattullus' verses—still the muses chant them—  
Addressed his lady love as "adamantem";  
We lesser poets—none our verses chant—  
Must sing of ladies all as adamant.

## TO N. G-T-H-R-E.

Ever were the Gods unkind since the first of  
poets sung,  
Ever was the goddess blind when her gifts to  
man she flung ;  
Other men have name and gold,  
Rank and station, old and young,  
He—to him the dame was cold ;  
He has only brains and tongue,  
Plus as you perhaps may deem  
An astounding self-esteem.

## CREDO.

" Lips-coming " pouting with kisses,  
Eyes that are tender and bright,  
This is the faith of the misses,  
Faith of our fore-mothers this is ;  
Sweetness and gentle delight,  
Ay, in the soft starry night,  
Faith of our Lady love this is,  
Faith, and perhaps they are right.

Here is a fact not very generally known :  
The frequency with which those connected  
with St. Luke's appear before the local public  
in Sewanee's behalf. To substantiate this fact,  
it ought to be stated that in the recent Trent  
debate three out of the four debaters were from  
that Hall. In both the Essay and the Oratori-  
cal contests between the Literary Societies, to  
be decided to-morrow evening, the eight con-  
testants are likewise connected with St. Luke's.

Travelling Pedler to Theologue at St.  
Luke's :—

" I would like to call your attention to an  
article which no one should be without at this  
season of the year. It is a new moth exter-  
minator."

" Excuse me," said the Theologue sadly, " what  
I'm interested in now is the old moths; when I  
get rid of them I'll talk to you about your new  
moth exterminator."

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## Prof. B. L. Wiggins Unanimously Chosen Vice-Chancellor.

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The Board of Trustees have, after mature deliberation, selected the man who had already been elected by the popular sentiment of the people of Sewanee. Since it was first ascertained that Dr. Gailor would sever his official connection with the University at this Commencement the people have become very much interested in their search for a competent man to fill the position. After casting about for several weeks, and weighing the relative merits of the different men proposed, interest began to center in the person of our esteemed Professor of Greek. This selection of the Board meets with the hearty approval of every one in Sewanee, as great confidence is reposed in Mr. Wiggins' ability to forge Sewanee into the forefront of Southern colleges. In financial and executive ability Mr. Wiggins has no superior on the mountain. We are pleased to see that the "mud-sills" of the business world have been relegated to the rear, and no longer threaten the peace and safety of the University. With Mr. Wiggins at the helm of affairs a brighter future awaits Sewanee.

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We would suggest to the Board of Trustees that they put the Library in a nice glass case and have it on exhibition during Commencement. The visitors should be acquainted with the fact that Sewanee really has a Library, notwithstanding that it has never been put to any profitable use. It is a very good example to have several thousand volumes of dust-covered books safely deposited in some inaccessible corner in Breslin Tower.

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We suggest that the Board of Trustees buy a white elephant and put it in the Hodgson library.

Already, before we go to press, we hear a murmur of disapproval of this Sunday issue. Such expressions of lofty sentiment invariably arise from those puritanical relics of antiquity which unfortunately inhabit these parts. It will probably shock the delicate and moral sensibilities of a few people to see THE CONNOISSEUR appear on Sunday mornings. They will not, however, have any scruples about purchasing copies of the Sunday *American*. Such action will only be a fair representation of Sewanee consistency.

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We hope that the Trustees will make some provision which will enable the authorities to equip a first-class University press. The journals which are gotten out on the mountain, together with other local work, would greatly assist in paying the running expenses of a University press. Sewanee, owing to its isolated situation, is badly in need of such a necessary convenience.

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It does seem that Mr. Stuck has finally abandoned his famous old hobby of uniforming the Janitor. One would judge that after a year of rest this esteemed gentlemen could produce some new and refreshing argument on this subject.

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We would like to call the attention of the Committee on Street Improvements to the deplorable condition of the street which runs in front of Palmetto and Magnolia Halls. It is in an almost impassable condition, causing the people in that portion of the town to suffer serious inconvenience.

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Now is the time for some action to be taken in regard to procuring a "University post-office." The business of the University would warrant the Postmaster-General in granting the petition. It is a very necessary convenience, and should be obtained.

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The proposed water-works scheme which was so enthusiastically discussed at the meetings of the Board of Trustees last year seems to have died a natural death. They may defer this matter for a time, but some action will eventually have to be taken.

## Breezy Bits.

A very delightful straw-ride was given by a party of young people Saturday evening.

▶ A dubious term—the Trent debate.

The summer girl is a queer mixture of coquetry, affectation and lack of thought.

Mr. Chapin, who is addicted to the use of lengthy terms, is said to have invented several eight-syllable words, which Webster has accepted.

From a reliable source we learn that Mr Hudson Stuck will foreclose his mortgage on Sigma Epsilon and move the Society to Texas.

An unfortunate accident occurred on the verandah of the hotel the other morning. A trustee by the name of "Timothy" was struck with an idea.

Constant might have won the contest in declamation Friday night, if his opponents had been deaf, dumb, blind and paralyzed.

Scholes is getting fat, whether out of sympathy from Dr. Nichols, or from appropriating too much candy and soda-water, we know not.

The St. Luke's Fair is now open. Guides will be stationed at the lower gate to conduct visitors through the grounds. Especially interesting is the exhibit of fences and second-hand halos imported from the General Theological Seminary, New York.

My! how jealous the girls were of Alkestis the other night.

Straw-rides are *ticklish* affairs.

She used to stay at Barnwell's,  
Said Grady with a smile,  
But when she goes to the hotel  
I won't have to walk a mile.

Norman, of Louisville, has been dubbed "Bishop."

Be sure and don't forget the great Athletic Show which comes off on Aug. 4. Don't fail to see this grand performance.

There were more consignments to Hades in the Greek play the other night than in a poker game when one man holds four aces and another a straight flush.

We hear that Mr. Stuck is engaged to a pretty widow of Cuero, who has already been married three times.

[CONTRIBUTED BY A YOUNG LADY.]

To tell on the boys is hardly fair,  
But three last week went on a tear,  
And when the hour was getting late,  
It chanced these three came to a gate;  
The gate swung open, the hogs ran in,  
The silence was broken by a fearful din,  
For these Sewanee boys, with their usual gall,  
Had ran against the man from Tremlett Hall.  
He jumped to the left, he jumped to the right,  
In fact he jumped "clean out" of sight;  
Each friend stood by and held his side,  
For it seemed a hog he was bound to ride.  
But the hogs passed on, and this sad fate  
Is reserved for some other man out late.  
'Tis said our hero was exhausted quite,  
And had to be carried home that night;  
'Tis whispered around he was in such a "fix"  
That he declared the hogs outnumbered six.

The success of the exercises of the Sigma Pi Literary Society last night was, in a large measure, due to the zealous efforts of Mr. McKellar, who has contrived to make them one of the features of the Commencement programme. The stage was tastefully arranged, and presented a much more artistic effect than either of the University's societies is accustomed to. The declamations were unusually well delivered by the youthful orators, the winner, Mr. Hogue, delivering his speech with force and an appreciation of its merits. Mr. Duncan Green, in a very imposing and paternal address, delivered the medals to Mr. R. Hogue for declamation, to Mr. D. Ferguson for debate, to Ms. N. B. Atcheson as the best new member, and to Mr. S. W. Walts as the best old member.

The Board of Trustees, yesterday, made the following appointments:

Chaplain—Rev. W. A. Guerry, of South Carolina.

Professor of Systematic Theology—Rev. W. T. Manning.

Professor of Ecclesiastical History—Prof. G. White, who was previously connected with the University, and who is a man of undoubted talents.

The August number of the Sewanee Review is out and is an exceedingly creditable issue. The Review is rapidly forging to the fore-front of American publications. In intellectual scope and sound literary depth it is second to none in this country.

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# Commencement, 1893.

## Programme.

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### SUNDAY, JULY 30TH.

- 7 A. M.—Celebration of the Holy Communion, in St. Augustine's Chapel.
- 11 A. M.—Commencement Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Wm. Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Iowa.
- 8 P. M.—Annual Sermon before the St. Luke's Brotherhood, by the Rt. Rev. T. U. Dudley, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Kentucky.

### MONDAY, JULY 31ST.

- 8 P. M.—Contest in Oratory between the Pi Omega and Sigma Epsilon Literary Societies, in Forensic Hall.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 1ST.

- 8 P. M.—Address to the Literary Societies, in Forensic Hall.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2ND.

- 8 P. M.—Public Meeting of the Alumni, in Forensic Hall.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 3RD—COMMENCEMENT DAY.

- 10 A. M.—University Oration in St. Augustine's Chapel, by Wm. M. Polk, M.D., of New York City.

Salutatory Oration, by Edw. B. Nelson, B.A., of Michigan.

Announcement of Certificates and Diplomas.

Award of Medals and Prizes.

Conferring of Degrees by the Vice-Chancellor.

Announcement of Honorary Degrees by the Chancellor.

Valedictory Oration, by Francis L. Coyle, of Louisiana.