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#### WESLEYAN DEFEATED.

#### Trinity Wins First Basketball Game.

Weslevan was defeated on her own floor Friday by a score of 19-16, in a most exciting and bitterly contested struggle. The teams were very evenly matched, Wesleyan being a little the lighter, but making up for this in their knowledge of the floor. The game was unnecessarily rough, both sides being equally offensive, but there was good, hard basketball and fine team-work on both sides.

For the first few minutes both sides played furiously, neither side scoring until finally Powell got a basket on a try from foul. Wesleyan then scored a field goal and the score see-sawed back and forth until the half ended to to 8 in favor of Trinity. In the second half Trinity got a lead of 18 to 12, and then Wesleyan made a desperate attempt to win out, but could not -the score being 19 to 16. Duffee played the best game for Trinity. He got into all the passing and scored four goals from the field.

The next game with Wesleyan is Friday night in the Trinity "Gym." The line-up:

Weslevan. Trinity. left guard Moore Marlor Campaigne right guard Madden White Landefeld center left tackle

Powell

Goodman Van Surdam,

Deming right tackle Duffee Score, Trinity 19, Wesleyan 16; goals from field, Duffee 4, Powell 2, Landefeld 1; Campaigne 3, Goodman 2, White I; goals from fouls, Duffee 3, Powell 2, Goodman 4. Referee, first half, Carlson; second half, Snell; umpire, Henderson.

#### SENIOR CLASS' DECISION.

At a meeting of the Senior class yesterday morning, on motion of C. F. Clement, it was voted to allow Freshmen to wear their 'varsity letters as soon as they are awarded to them by the Athletic Association. This does not refer to class numerals, which cannot be worn by Freshmen until after Easter vacation.

To commemorate the "Feast of the Purification" celebration of the Holy Communion will be held on Thursday morning at 7:30.

President Luther is spending a week or ten days in the Middle West.

## WESLEYAN ON FRIDAY NIGHT.

The second game with Wesleyan will be played in the gymnasium on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Every man in college should turn out, cheer the team and give it the kind of encouragement that will enable it to make two straight victories. Admission will be 25 cents. Turn out and

## FOOTBALL REVIEW.

The foot ball season of 1904, so far as Trinity was concerned, was one of disappointments. They commenced from the time that the first call for candidates was made, until even the last few minutes of the final game.

In view of the fact, that the season has been shortened considerably the last few years, a call was issued for the candidates to report at least ten days before college opened. But so few of the candidates of the previous years remained in college, or intended to return, that the management was forced to wait for the incoming class to get sufficient material to have even a first team. When everybody was settled down, it was found that but two men of the 1903 team and returned. This necessitated the finding of enine new men, and filling the positions of ten because one of the men of the 1903 team had occupied no regular position. As far as quality was concerned, some good material entered with the Freshman class. But one of their number weighed as much as One Hundred Seventy (170) pounds, and even he was denied to the team in its most important games, by the reopening of an old injury. The outlook was quite gloomy. The only bright spot on the horizon was the appearance on the field of Landefeld, a former Lehigh star. He was the horizon was the appearance on the field of Landefeld, a former Lehigh star. He was the heaviest man on the team, weighing in the neighborhood of One Hundred Eighty (180) pounds. His all around ability steadied the new men, and many an aerial ascension was saved by his presence on the team. Material was so scarce, that the appearance of even a One Hundred Fifty (150) pound man was the occasion of joy. But this was not the only disappointment as far as material was concerned. Had it been possible to have the same men for the different games, Trinity would in all probability have given a some what different account of herself. It is not within the province of the writer to enter into and discuss the various conditions that were in vogue at Trinity, but simply to record them as h

Full Backs:—Landefeld, Morgan and Madden.

From this list it is seen that we had ten ends, five tackles, ten guards, one center, three quarters, nine half backs and three full backs, a total of forty-one (41) men in eleven different positions, now recall the fact, that there was an average of eight men out each night and the real cause of Trinity's unsuccessful season is apparent. The friends of the college can ponder over the proposition that faced captain, coach and management. If at other colleges, where there is a wealth of material, where there is usually not more than four positions to fill at the beginning of each season, and with an established coaching system they find it difficult to break in four new men in a season, how could Trinity break in Forty-one? How could there be good team work when the team never lined up in any game with the same personel as any previous game?

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Let the student of causes ponder for a moment what the baseball coach would do if every game his team played he had a couple of new men in some of the most vital points.

For instance, if he had nine new pitchers, five different catchers, nine different short-stops in the different games of the season, he would howl like a defeated candidate and come to the conclusion that the whole baseball situation had gone to the infernal bowwows. The writer wants to put himself on record as saying that a man who becomes a candidate for the team, gets a chance for a regular position and then quits without sufficient cause, is in the same class as a soldier who enlists, receives the drilling of a regular and then deserts. He is a deserter pure and simple, and a man who will not be patriotic to his college will not be patriotic to his college will not be patriotic to his college.

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Nor were these the only things with which the management had to contend. A training table was started. All the candidates in active practice were ordered to report. By the dint of hard work, seven men were induced to eat at the training table, but before the season was three weeks old, the number was reduced to five, although there was a time we had eight. At many colleges it is considered an honor to be at the training table, but at Trinity it was a hardship. It is only fair to say however, that at other colleges, through the aid of the alumni, it is possible for the men at training to get the best food at a price lower than the usual cost of table board, while at Trinity the price was higher for inferior board. But on the subject of training, to make the matter short and truthful outside of three men, the team made no pretense at training. At the beginning of the season, while other teams were not in the best of shape physically, this defect was not so apparent, but in the final games it was fatal. In the game with Wesleyan, while our men were strong, they outplayed their opponents at every point, and for the first twenty-eight minutes held the ball twice on the opponent's five yard line, and never further than the thirty yard straight ahead, (only to lose it by one of only three fumbles quarter-back Lee made all season), three yards from a touch-down, showed the power of their attack and had the staying quality been there, the result would have been different. In the last fifteen minutes of the game, Wesleyan scored twenty-one points, the inference is left to the reader.

As was said at the beginning, it was a season of disappointments. When the writer first visited Trinity, the impression became deep seated that the college was ablaze with enthusiasm and felt that each individua

be floated in the breeze, undefeated and unsullied.

But to return. The team was never arranged in any game as we hoped to have it. It was desired that even with the material at hand, to get heavier ends and when we could not accomplish this, we aimed to get heavier men on the ends and let the half backs play outside of the ends on defense. The object of this was:—When the tackles were drawn back to advance the ball, as they were in our system of offense, the ends were required to move in and take the tackles place. The material for ends was so light, that if we playing against the opposing tackle. The tackles always being men invariably broke through and spoiled our plays before they got started rightly. It was for this reason that Lycett and Lauderburn, two men not having many of the natural qualifications for the end positions, were placed there, being heavier and stronger they could hold back the opposing tackles. But even this arrangement was denied us, for in the final game Lauderburn was compelled to move in and play tackle and Clement a One Hundred Thirty-five (135) pound man was placed on end. When Lauderburn was called back to advance the ball, Clement was then stacked up against Dearborn, One Hun-

dred and Nincty (190) pounds or more, and it won't take two guesses to tell the result. On defense, however, Clement played one of the greatest games it has ever been the pleasure of the writer to witness for a man of his weight. The injury to Donnelly deprived the team of his valuable services after the second game of the season. This was the only serious injury of the year, although there were a large number of minor injuries, many more in fact than the amount of work done by the candidates would warrant. Nearly the whole squad were susceptible particularly to shoulder bruises, a most remarkable number, considering the fact that they were properly protected with pads.

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A brief review of the principal characteristics of the games played may be interesting.

The Yale game was the first of the season, and was played after three days of practice. No attempt was made to get the team in shape for this game. We realized that there was no chance to win, and it was a game for the experience only. The principal feature was Donnelly's alertness in recovering a blocked punt and his run for Sixty (60) yards, together with Landefeld's punting.

The next game was with Amherst, and was somewhat disappointing, not because we were beaten, but by the balloon ascension taken at the beginning. They ran all over us, but when Trinity recovered from its stage fright, they gave the heavy Amherst team quite a scare. Our open field tackling was weak, very weak. A week later the strong Columbia team was able to gain only 4 or 5 first downs on Amherst, while Trinity twice carried the ball 50 yards for successive gains and once went 80 yards, only to fumble. Donnelly's fine plunging was one of the features.

The next game was with Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and the least said the better. Trinity should have won, and easily at that. Our ends were in dreamland and four or five times allowed themselves to be fooled by the simplest kind of a trick. A trick play may work once in a while against the best teams, but it ought not to work every time it was tried, even with men of ordinary capacity. On general defense the team showed a decided improvement.

The next game was with New York University, and was a hard fight and cleanly played. It should have been won by Trinity, and in all probability would, had there been anything like -competent officials. The umpire barefacedly coached the opponents during the ball was in our territory. While we are on the subject of officials it might be pertinent to say that the general average

there was never a penalty given.

The game with New York University as a a whole was the best played by Trinity all season.

The next game was with Stevens, and was won by Trinity, although outweighed. Trinity played a fair game. Our team would play briliantly at times and then go to pieces. From the work of the team in the New York University game and parts of this game, we began to have reasons for hope. It looked as if the team was beginning to find itself, but the trip to Schenectady and the game with Union blasted these in short order. There were times in the Union game when it looked as if our men had never seen a football. This can, in a measure, be accounted for by our numerous substitutions. Lauderburn was put out in the first scrimmage, and long before the end of the game, evry substitute taken along was in the game. It was a hard, rough game. It was in this game, that Landefeld injured his knee, so that he had to go to the hospital, and did not come out until the morning of the final game with Wesleyan.

And now to the final game. The team came back from the Union game in awful shape. Dougherty was sick and it was doubtful if he would be in the game. Landefeld and Donnelly in the hospital, Hubbard with a sprained ankle and Lee with a very bad shoulder, the coach was at his wit's end, as how to line up the team. But now came the only redeeming feature of the whole season. The college became a seething mass of enthusiasm. The everfaithful student body came down to the field each night, and sang their tuneful college song for the inspiration of their brothers in harness. Men who found it too much trouble to come out during the greater part of the season, came out and became gluttons for work. Such of the old men that were in shape, worked like demons possessed, and in four days, instead of a beaten and discouraged band, we had a team of men whose hearts beat high with hope. The Wesleyan men, who boasted that they would better the score of the year previous, had something on which to reflect when they sa

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#### SUSPENSION DURING EXAMS.

Following the custom of similar college publications, the "Tripod" will suspend publication during the examination period. This will be done to allow the members of the board and the reporters full freedom to prepare for their examinations. We feel that our subscribers will coincide with us in our decision. The next issue will appear on Tuesday, February fourteenth.

#### THE FOOTBALL REVIEW.

The article on the football season of 1904 by Coach Welch has been belated because of the coach's unwillingness to have anyone think that his criticisms were written with prejudice and without forethought. The review is couched in plain language. As to the justice of Mr. Welch's criticisms, everyone is at liberty to judge. We simply say that we think Mr. Welch means every word he has written. He stated before the close of the football season that he would under no circumstances be a candidate for the position of coach at Trinity again. The article is, in our opinion, well worth careful perusing.

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In their desperation, they held Trinity at their five-yard line and punted, but Trinity would not be denied and for a second time, drove back the wearers of the red and black. When again inside the five-yard line, Lee fumbled and again Wesleyan averted the threatened score. Neither discouraged nor disheartened, the blue and gold boys showed their grit and for the third time assailed the heavier line. Added by a brilliant dash by Madden, the ball was again inside of the five-yard line. An umpire's penalty, a kick and Trinity's hopes began to wane. The untrained men were not enduring and against heavier men and better conditioned, our strength became exhausted and "up went the balloon."

Training is a matter of honor with the in-

balloon."

Training is a matter of honor with the individual, and at Trinity, where there is not enough of competition to compel each individual to exert his best efforts, you cannot compel a man to train when he does not want to. It is a physical impossibility to watch a whole team scattered about as they are during the day, unless you would hire a man to watch each player.

Trinity's well-wishers had an opportunity of seeing what it was possible to do even with a light and green team. With a trained team and the men with a year's experience what could they do? It was the way the college rallied for the Wesleyan game that leads the writer to ask, why could that same spirit not have been manifested two or three weeks before the final game, or why could it not grow from the initial games until the final, when it would sweep everything before it. Even without training in the early season three weeks of the kind of work done in the last four days would have landed Trinity a winner in all but two games, and it is a question whether Amherst herself might not have succumbed.

It is what was accomplished in the first thirty minutes of this game that gives a ray of hope. A hope that its future teams will profit by, that the hard-learned lessons will bear its fruits and a realization of the truth "Deserve success and you shall attain it."

A review of the work of the men in each position would probably be tiresome, because of the fact that forty-one (41) men played on the team. Referring generally, however, we will begin with the ends. Of the long list that played these positions, Clement and Pond were the most consistent, and with more weight and experience would make a very creditable pair. Their work in stopping the end runs of Wesleyan, who had successfully run Princeton, Columbia and Dartmouth's ends, was little short of remarkable. It is but fair to Lauderburn and Lycett to say, that they did not have opportunity enough to show what they could do, and were used more as line halfbacks than as ends. Lauderburn was a hard, conscientious worker and will yet be a credit to Trinity. The other candidates for end were more or less cratic, probably due to inexperience. Our tackles were in bad shape all season. Donnelly's injury kept him out after the second game. Dougherty, who succeeded, was sick most of the time. Both were hard workers. Dougherty deserves especial credit, for he was one of th

Buths at center lacked experience, was weak on defense and very erratic in passing for kicks. He was fairly steady on his other work, however.

We were lucky in quarters. We had three capable men in Pond, Hubbard and Lee. Lee handled the ball cleanly, was a god open field tackler and a swift runner in a broken field. Pond was used more in other positions than as quarter, but showed ability and with more experience would prove a find. Hubbard was the best general of the three. His principal weakness was in open field tackling. He had indomitable pluck and if he can get over his sensitiveness to criticism, Trinity will have a second man of that name to honor.

Owing to our weak line our halfbacks never had a fair chance, but at that we were not very strong. Captain Morgan played one of the positions most of the time. He was the most faithful of all at practice, kept in the strictest training, and was conscientious almost to a fault. The burden of captaincy always detracts from individual play and it no doubt hampered him. As a captain he lacked aggressiveness, but in his habits and work he was a shining example for his men to follow. A team of eleven Owen Morgans would be an honor to Trinity. It was but a fitting climax to his football career, that he who had trained so faithfully, should be the man with the mental alertness to take advantage of the opponent's error in the final game and make his brilliant dash for a touchdown. There were men on the team with more natural ability and we sincerely hope that they will profit by his example.

T. Morgan played the other half the most of the time and he was one of the greatest disappointments to the coach. Possessed of all the necessary speed, weight and natural ability, he was loked upon as a man who, before the season was over, would develop into one of the finest. He was possibly the best distance punter that we had, but before the season was over, he fell into a lethargy from which he could not be aroused. No amount of prodding seemed to arouse him. He did not see

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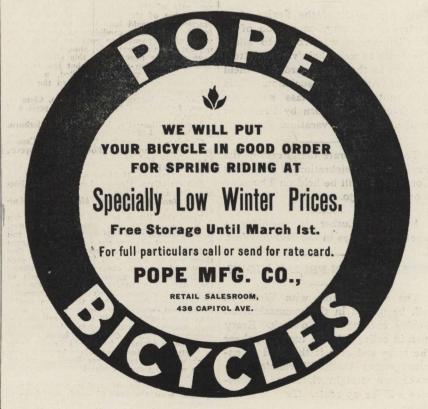
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good game at half in the Worcester game, but he was to slow a starter for a half. On defense he was strong. Budd was also a very good defensive man. Gateson, Taylor, Cunningham and others were also tried in this position, but through injuries or by failure to report regularly, they did not play many games and it is hard to comment on their work.

Landefeld played fullback in the Yale game, but it was necessary to get all the benefit of his weight for the line. Captain Morgan played for a while in this position, but lacked weight. Madden was the final choice. In his first game he played magnificently. Owing to injuries he was unable to do himself justice all season. He would barely recover from the effects of one game, until it was time for the next. For this reason he did not get the necessary practice and therefore his work lacked aggressiveness. In his final game he played tackle on defense and full on offense. Even with this double burden he played splendidly while he had the endurance. Had Madden the benfit of the early practice his work would have been different.

Of the substitutes Cunningham was a good, hard worker who never complained no matter what he was called upon to do.

In closing, it is but just to give due credit to those alumni who aided in the development of the team. We are indebted to Mr. Harmon Graves, who gave some timely suggestions. Mr. George Cogswell visited us several times and gave what aid he could. Mr. Johnson, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Van Weelden, Mr. Allen and Mr. Kent Hubbard were also on the field and aided in the task. Mr. Johnson particularly was out day after day in togs, and gave his best efforts to whip the center men into shape. Given a few more such men, a manager like Mr. Kelso Davis, and the waving elms of which the undergraduate sings, will have no cause to droop when the record of its teams is heralded to the world.

JOHN 1. WELSH, Coach for 1904.

#### THE TABLET.

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The last issue of the Tablet, Number 5, is particularly notable for the prize story that it contains. This story, or rather sketch, as it may more properly be called because of the absence in it of any sort of plot, is written in pleasing, easy, style, and gives a charming picture of the devotion of the old Hindoo servant, Cheprasi, to his little charge of the "military cantonment." The suggestion of the Oriental in the sketch apparently rings so true we are not surprised to rings so true we are not surprised to be told that the author gained his knowledge of the East from a residence in India. Some passages of the piece are unusually good, especially the one which speaks of Cheprasi's love for the coolie girl whom he marries in spite of the laws of caste that love for the coolie girl whom he marries in spite of the laws of caste that would prevent. Such a touch shows more maturity of thought than a person expects to find in college stories. We congratulate Mr. Maplesdon on winning the prize, and also congratulate the Tablet on securing such an excellent contribution, with the prospect, we hope, of publishing more of Mr. Maplesdon's work in the future. "In the Arbor" is a graceful little bit of dialogue that carries its own story. We were disappointed that "T" did not make more of it, as he

bit of dialogue that carries its own story. We were disappointed that "T" did not make more of it, as he might so well have done, but he succeeded in causing us all, as we read it, to wish that we were in "Jimmie's" place—and what, after all, can an author hope to do better than this? "The Shakespeare Third Reader" is

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seems, in our humble estimation, particularly appropriate to a college literary magazine.

"A Love Song" is a sweet and pretty bit of verse, and displays a good deal of poetic feeling. "The Awakening," a piece of true college verse, of a different sort, is cleverly written, and surely appeals to us all.

We were pleased to note that the Tablet of the present issue does not omit the usual advice to the faculty, without which no college publication is complete. This time the advice is veiled in the modest form of an expressed editorial doubt, but the writer says very plainly, in effect, that he does not believe in the efficacy of final examinations, and that he should rejoice to see them abolished—and with all this we most heartily agree. Another editorial appeals to us strongly, and that is the one which urges rising young undergraduate authors to forego the alluring thoughts of large sums to be received for their initial compoyoung undergraduate authors to forego the alluring thoughts of large sums to be received for their initial compositions from eager editors of "paying" magazines, and to give their college publications a chance to profit by their productive genius.

If it were not for the introduction of those famous characters whose more presence is expected to suggest

mere presence is expected to suggest merriment uncontrolled, and at the mention of whose names we are sup-

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posed to laugh, we might think that the printer had made an error in arranging the order of the material given him for this issue and had put last what should have been first. Perhaps the thought of coming examinations weighs down the good Stroller's soul and makes his usually buoyant spirits a trifle heavy for this once. If cast in style less ostentatiously "funny," the Stroller's contribution would have made an excellent addition to the editorials.

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