

## DECIDED IN FAVOR OF THE PHI GAMMA SOCIETY.

### SECOND DAY OF EMORY'S COMMENCEMENT.

The Debate Last Night Was a Most  
Interesting One.

The Award of Several Medals—The Sophomore Exhibition—Some Excellent Speeches, Debates and Essays.

#### Special to The Journal.

Oxford, June 13.—The champion debate between the Few and Phi Gamma literary societies occurred here last evening.

There has always been existing a friendly rivalry between these two societies, and the outcome of last night's debate has been the absorbing topic of interest in the college for the last few days. A very large crowd was present to witness the exercises.

The question debated was, "Resolved, that we should exclude from our borders all Chinamen except academic, collegiate and university students."

The affirmative were members of the Phi Gamma society, being Messrs. L. L. Wiggins, P. B. Shipp, and N. P. Bryan. The negative were from the Few Society, and were Messrs. H. Bush, J. L. Mann and T. D. Ellis. These young gentlemen were the choice debaters of the entire college, so of course something good was to be expected.

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Dr. A. J. Jarrell, of Savannah, preached the "Candidates for the Ministry" Sunday evening, and those to whom his sermon was especially addressed were Messrs. R. E. Bailey, J. F. Bell, H. E. Bradley, A. O. Brewton, Homer Bush, J. E. Consey, T. D. Ellis, H. F. Harris, Simon A. Hearn, W. P. King, Frank McCullough and T. H. Yun, of the senior class; Messrs. W. H. Dadd, J. W. Greer and B. E. Whittington, of the junior; R. A. Edmondson, S. C. Hoyle, A. M. Pierce, J. T. Robins, T. J. Shepard, N. B. Thompson and K. T. Tsoeng, of the Sophomore; Messrs. Z. Spear and J. B. Thrasher, of the Freshman; and Messrs. H. W. Campbell, D. H. Cantrell, Paul Flynt, G. K. Heydrick, R. G. R. McKennon, W. A. Mallory, F. T. Reed and R. E. Wright, of the Sub-Freshman class—thirty-two of the 274 students of the college. Ivy Lea.

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The Park medal, for the best essay in the junior or senior classes, was awarded to Mr. W. B. Dee, jr. He wrote on the "Life and Times of Jefferson Davis."  
The Timmons' medal, for excellence in mental and moral philosophy, was awarded to Mr. Homer Bush.  
**THE SOPHOMORE EXHIBITION.**  
The sophomore exhibition of Emory college took place yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, a large audience being present to witness the exercises.  
The following was the program:  
Prayer by Dr. J. W. Haidt.  
J. Fred Allen, Warrenton, Ga.—Death of Benedict Arnold—Hill.  
A. G. Shankle, Harmony Grove, Ga.—Let Us End Sectional Strife—Ransom.  
Anderson Clark, Macon, Ga.—The Diver—Schiller.  
T. H. Milner, Cartersville, Ga.—The Confederate Struggle for Independence—Hill.  
M. C. Quillian, Augusta, Ga.—The Repeal of the Tennessee Dog Law.—Head.  
Claude C. Smith, Palmetto, Ga.—The Chariot Race.—Wallace.  
A. H. Thompson, Seneca, S. C.—Impeachment of Warren Hastings.—Burke.  
Nathan Thompson, Thomaston, Ga.—The Responsibilities of Young Men.—Clarke.  
T. H. Thompson, Savannah, Ga.—Life of Henry Grady—Eagle.  
J. Coachman Wardlaw, Macon, Ga.—Dumb Savior.—Mary E. Bryan.  
Benediction.  
The speeches of Messrs. M. C. Quillian, Claude C. Smith, T. H. Thompson and J. C. Wardlaw were especially fine, and made these young gentlemen exceedingly popular with the audience.  
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