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REMARKS.

THE VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE was established, and is supported by the State of Virginia. An arsenal containing 30,000 stand of arms is located here, which was formerly guarded by a company of enlisted soldiers, at an annual expense of about \$6,000. In 1839, this appropriation was transferred to the support of a company of cadets, who, in addition to their duties as a guard, should also be placed under a course of instruction, upon the basis of the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. Upon this new system the Institute has been in successful operation for nine years. The cadets admitted consist of two classes, *State* and *Pay* cadets. The Institute supplies to the State cadet his board, tuition, fuel, lights, books, mattress, medical attendance and stationery; and in consideration thereof, he is required to teach two years after graduation. The Pay cadet is at his own expense, which averages \$250 per year, for every charge, *including clothing*. The State cadets are selected from those who are unable to bear their own expenses. The institution has always had as many pupils as its buildings would accommodate, and numbers *thirty-two* State and *eighty-three* Pay cadets. Applications are made by letter to the superintendent prior to the first of July, each year, and appointments are made for both classes of cadets, by the Board of Visitors, respect being had to their due apportionment among the several districts of the State.

The Literary Fund of the State contributes \$1,500 per year to the Institute for the education of teachers, and the State has received tuition fees from the pay cadets to the amount of \$9,000 since its organization, which sum is applied to the increase of the number of State cadets, and to the enlargement of the accommodations of the Institute.

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His Excellency, the Governor of Virginia.



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PUBLIC EXAMINERS FOR 1849.

Professor JOHN B. STRANGE, Norfolk Academy.

Graduate of 1842.

Professor T. BOLLING ROBERTSON, Richmond College.

Graduate of 1846.



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FIRST CLASS, (GRADUATES)—1848.

GENERAL MERIT.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	MERIT IN									Demerit for entire term.	REMARKS.
			Mathematics.	French.	Latin.	Drawing.	Nat. Philosophy.	Chemistry.	Engineering.	English.	Tactics.		
*1	S. T. Pendleton,	Campbell,	1	1	1	6	1	1	3	1	5	14	[Math Act. As. Prof.
*2	J. C. Councill,	Norfolk,	2	8	18	1	2	2	1	12	1	27	Do do
3	J. M. Cary,	Greenbrier,	9	6	5	12	6	9	7	9	7	0	
4	C. V. Winfree,	Campbell,	8	3	3	12	4	4	9	4	10	39	
5	C. A. Derby,	Dinwiddie,	3	4	4	5	6	18	16	9	10	0	Qr. Master.
6	A. L. Rives,	Albemarle,	12	10	9	6	6	7	1	2	14	25	
7	J. R. Jones,	Rockingham,	10	12	16	10	14	8	5	9	2	0	1st Captain.
8	J. T. Ellis,	Amherst,	12	13	9	3	6	10	8	8	8	19	2nd Captain.
9	J. P. Beale,	Westmoreland,	5	2	2	10	11	13	11	7	13	61	Act. As. Prof. [Languages.
10	R. E. Rodes,	Campbell,	4	6	13	3	3	3	3	4	2	159	1st Lieut.
11	J. S. Gamble,	Hardy,	7	4	5	12	10	6	12	2	2	163	
12	Chas. Carter,	Charles City,	14	20	22	6	16	20	14	24	16	29	Qr. Master.
13	C. W. Cary,	Greenbrier,	20	8	7	6	22	12	10	16	10	100	
14	W. H. Pryor,	Dinwiddie,	18	24	13	12	18	16	13	17	6	72	1st Lieut.
15	E. G. Wall,	Frederick,	21	23	24	1	17	23	17	19	19	42	
16	N. Berkeley,	Loudoun,	22	18	21	12	20	21	23	22	15	49	
17	G. W. Robertson,	Warwick,	16	11	19	24	15	14	20	13	23	142	
18	Jos. Jones,	Jefferson,	17	16	17	12	19	19	15	19	19	147	
19	N. Tyler,	P. William,	6	17	11	20	13	10	19	17	17	207	
20	{ J. G. Brodnax,	Dinwiddie,	15	14	10	22	5	4	18	4	17	236	
	{ F. B. Jones,	Frederick,	23	23	20	21	24	22	24	23	19	42	Adjutant.
22	B. G. Baldwin,	Augusta,	11	18	13	23	12	14	5	14	9	241	2nd Lieut.
23	W. W. Finney,	Powhatan,	19	14	7	12	21	17	21	19	22	244	
24	R. C. Trigg,	Montgomery,	24	21	23	12	23	24	22	15	23	383	

NOTE.

Names marked * are officially reported to the Executive conformably to a regulation which requires the names of the most distinguished cadets, not exceeding two in each class, to be reported for this purpose at each annual examination.

Names marked † were found *deficient*, and turned back to recommence the studies of their respective classes.

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SECOND CLASS,—1848.

GENERAL MERIT.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	MERIT IN				Demerit for one Year.	REMARKS.
			Mathematics.	Mechanics.	Drawing.	Latin.		
*1	John Lawson,	Richmond City,	1	1	2	5	5	
*2	J. W. Massie,	Augusta,	1	1	3	2	11	Q. Master Serg't.
3	S. Garland, Jr.,	Campbell,	4	4	6	1	0	Sergeant.
4	E. T. Fristoe,	Rappahannock,	4	4	8	8	0	Orderly Sergeant.
5	J. W. Allen,	Bedford,	7	7	6	3	0	Sergeant.
6	Robert Gatewood,	Norfolk City,	3	3	19	3	25	
7	W. J. Morrissett,	Chesterfield,	8	9	12	10	0	
8	Richard Logan Jr.,	Halifax,	11	13	14	9	0	Sergeant.
9	Richard Pollard, Jr.,	Albemarle,	13	12	1	5	10	Color Sergeant.
10	P. B. Adams,	Harrison,	8	11	16	24	17	Orderly Sergeant.
11	T. H. Carter,	Clarke,	15	19	9	14	0	
12	E. T. Bridges,	Richmond City,	4	8	15	11	65	
13	F. Lackland,	Jefferson,	12	10	16	12	40	Sergeant.
14	K. Otey,	Campbell,	18	14	4	21	20	Sergeant Major.
15	J. H. Estes,	Nelson,	19	22	12	19	0	
16	W. Steer.bergen,	Mason,	14	15	11	27	17	Sergeant.
17	W. Byrd,	Frederick,	8	6	22	5	89	
18	J. F. Jordan,	Alleghany,	17	21	5	22	40	Sergeant.
19	F. W. Cox,	Essex,	23	18	27	28	18	Sergeant.
20	G. P. Terrill,	Bath,	22	22	10	16	54	Sergeant.
†21	George Rust,	Loudoun,	def.	25	20	23	0	Corporal.
22	R. Ficklin,	Albemarle,	21	17	23	16	89	
23	Amb. Ranson,	Jefferson,	24	26	21	15	61	
24	C. Bronaugh,	Fairfax,	25	28	18	16	71	Corporal.
25	J. B. Norville,	Prince William,	20	16	25	24	193	
26	J. W. Baldwin,	Augusta,	16	2	25	19	197	
†27	J. L. Poindexter,	Richmond City,	d. f.	22	27	26	128	
†28	L. P. Thompson,	Augusta,	def.	27	23	12	176	

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THIRD CLASS,—1848.

GENERAL MERIT.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	MERIT IN				Demerit for One Year.	REMARKS.
			Mathematics.	French.	Composition.	Drawing.		
*1	W. W. Gordon,	Essex,	1	2	1	17	0	
*2	P. B. Smith,	Northampton,	2	3	4	3	0	
3	Charles Denby,	Richmond City,	5	1	4	6	16	
4	T. O. Benton,	Nansemond,	4	6	4	12	11	
5	J. Brockenbrough,	Richmond,	6	12	4	4	8	
6	J. Stalnaker,	Greenbrier,	6	7	16	21	7	
7	W. D. Stuart,	Augusta,	6	8	4	15	13	
8	W. T. Parrish,	Cumberland,	12	11	11	16	6	
9	D. Truehart, Jr.,	Richmond City,	2	10	4	10	49	
10	J. T. Thomson,	Jefferson,	9	4	2	14	38	
11	G. Barker,	Henrico,	10	16	20	11	16	
12	R. R. Smith,	Clarke,	22	19	11	2	0	
13	Charles Smith,	Northampton,	16	8	11	9	29	
14	C. H. Harrison,	Cumberland,	19	18	11	20	0	
15	L. Brockenbrough,	Richmond,	13	15	4	5	39	
16	George Roberts,	Rappahannock,	18	20	17	8	17	
17	G. Jordan,	Page,	15	17	21	1	29	
18	W. T. Terry,	Bedford,	17	12	23	18	11	
19	W. B. Littlepage,	King William,	19	5	11	7	56	
20	W. H. Urquhart,	Southampton,	10	21	17	22	42	
21	A. C. Jones,	Marshall,	21	14	2	19	61	
22	W. M. Booton,	Madison,	14	22	22	23	66	
23	J. T. Moss,	Fairfax,	22	22	19	13	178	

FOURTH CLASS,—1848.

GENERAL MERIT.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	MERIT IN			Demerit for One Year.	REMARKS.
			Mathematics.	French.	Geography.		
*1	W. A. Harris,	Rockbridge,	2	3	3	0	
*2	G. H. Caperton,	Monroe,	3	1	5	8	
3	Thomas Upshaw,	King and Queen,	3	4	3	0	
4	P. C. Gibbs,	Morgan,	3	7	1	10	
5	W. Whitehead,	Nansemond,	8	6	9	0	
6	R. Harrison,	Richmond City,	7	9	11	41	
7	A. B. Jordon,	Isle of Wight,	1	5	1	100	
8	B. F. Mayse,	Wythe,	13	14	14	0	
9	J. T. Butts,	Southampton,	10	8	6	61	
10	A. D. Callcote,	Isle of Wight,	9	11	12	96	
11	J. B. Hamilton,	Fayette,	6	2	8	160	
12	W. M. Watkins,	Mecklenburg,	12	12	13	166	
13	H. W. Fisher,	Norfolk City,	10	10	7	197	
14	J. Glenn,	Jefferson,	13	13	10	176	

SYNOPSIS OF COURSE OF STUDIES AT VA. M. I.

		STUDIES.	TEXT BOOKS.
First Year.	FOURTH CLASS.	Arithmetic. First Principles of Algebra and Geometry. English Grammar. Geography. French.	Smith and Duke's American Statistical Arithmetic. Smith's Algebra, Legendre. Murray's Grammar. Levizac's Grammar, vie de Washington.
Second Year.	THIRD CLASS.	Algebra. Geometry. Analytical Geometry commenced. French. Drawing, Landscape.	Smith's Algebra. Davies' Legendre. Smith's Biot. Gil Blas. Picot, No. 5.
Third Year.	SECOND CLASS.	Analytical Geometry concluded. Descriptive Geometry. Shades, Shadows and Perspective. Surveying. Differential and Integral Calculus. French. Latin. Drawing, Topography and Linear.	Smith's Biot. Davies. Lectures. Davies, and Practice in Field. Boucharlat [in French.] Gil Blas and Charles XII. Anthon's Cæsar, and Virgil and Cicero.
Fourth Year.	FIRST CLASS.	Natural Philosophy. Chemistry. Military and Civil Engineering. Tactics, Infantry and Artillery. Latin. English Literature. Rhetoric. Geography and History.	Boucharlat [French.] Bartlett's Optics, and Gummere's Astronomy. Turner. Mahan and Lectures. Scott. Horace, Terence. Chambers and Lectures. Blair. Lectures.

Cadets are assigned to classes according to their previous preparation, except that no Cadet can enter a higher class than the second.

The Cadets are *daily* occupied in military exercises at such hours as not to interfere with their regular studies.

EXPLANATION OF CONDUCT ROLL.

All offences against Orders or Regulations are recorded.

These offences are divided into seven grades ; each of which comprises offences of nearly the same degree of criminality.

The degree of criminality of offences of each grade is expressed by a number, as follows :—

Offences of the 1st grade by 10

Do	“	2d	“	8
Do	“	3d	“	5
Do	“	4th	“	4
Do	“	5th	“	3
Do	“	6th	“	2
Do	“	7th	“	1

For each year (after the first year) that a Cadet has been a member of the Institute, his offences are made to count more, by adding to the number expressing the degree of criminality, of each offence, one-sixth for the second year—and one-third for the third year.

At the end of the Academic year, these numbers are added up, and the sum thus obtained is that found in the column of ‘*demerit.*’ The demerit for the graduating class is estimated for their whole term.

When a Cadet has more than 200 demerit in any one year, he is *dismissed.*

GRADUATES
OF THE
VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE,
SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

1842.

*1	W. D. Fair,	Amherst.	
*2	W. H. Henderson,	Loudoun,	Teaching.
3	J. B. Strange,	Fluvanna,	Teaching in Norfolk.
4	T. J. B. Cramer,	Frederick,	Do in Marion county.
5	E. Pendleton,	Botetourt,	Lawyer.
6	J. H. Lawrence,	Caroline,	Dentist.
7	W. M. Elliot,	Buckingham,	Editor of Richmond Whig.
8	J. H. Jameson,	Culpeper.	
9	C. P. Deyerle,	Montgomery,	Surgeon U. S. A.
10	J. T. Smith,	Norfolk,	Engineer.
11	W. Forbes,	Richmond,	Teaching.
12	V. C. Saunders,	Loudoun,	Do in Frederick.
13	J. W. Bell,	Augusta,	Farmer.
14	O. M. Knight,	Nottoway,	Physician.
15	Jas. Marshall,	Warren,	Farmer.
16	L. A. Garnett,	Essex,	Lawyer.

1843.

*1	N. H. Campbell,	Bedford,	Lawyer.	[ature.
*2	J. B. Dorman,	Rockbridge,	Do. & member of Va. Legis-	
*3	J. W. Wildman,	Loudoun.		
4	H. T. Barton,	Spotsylvania,	Physician.	
5	W. J. Warden,	Augusta,	Lawyer.	
6	W. C. Jeffress,	Nottoway.		
7	J. C. Wills,	Isle of Wight,	Teach. in Northumberland.	
8	V. H. Rodes,	Campbell,	Merchant.	
9	J. L. Bryan,	Petersburg,	In Mexico. (Va. Regiment.)	
10	E. Winston,	Amherst.		
11	W. S. Beale,	Shenandoah,	Merchant.	
12	J. T. Washington,	Westmoreland.		
13	G. W. Williams,	Roanoke,	Teaching.	

1844.

* 1	J. H. Pitt,	Essex,	Teaching in Essex.
* 2	M. McKennie,	Albemarle,	Physician.
3	A. C. Cummings,	Washington,	In Mexico. (U. S. Army.)
4	J. A. Campbell,	Do.	Lawyer.
5	G. A. Porterfield,	Berkeley,	In Mexico. (Va. Reg., Adj.)
6	J. S. Burks,	Bedford,	Farmer.
7	E. Taylor,	Caroline,	Do.
8	W. H. Richardson,	Henrico,	Adj. General's Office.
9	J. B. Clemens,	Ohio,	Physician.

1845.

* 1	H. T. Lee,	Frederick,	Teaching.
* 2	R. T. W. Duke,	Albemarle,	Do. in Greenbrier.
3	J. B. Sherrard,	Hampshire,	Farmer.
4	R. H. Simpson,	Warren,	Teaching in Warren.
5	W. H. R. Wheelright,	Westmoreland,	Teacher and Clergyman.
6	H. B. Hill,	Buckingham,	Do.
7	D. A. Langhorne,	Campbell,	Physician.
8	C. Boggess,	Harrison.	
9	W. H. Baker,	Frederick,	Do.
10	R. M. Wiley,	Botetourt,	Farmer.
11	V. T. Churchman,	Augusta,	Physician.
12	J. R. Cabell,	Pittsylvania,	Teaching in Halifax.
13	A. H. Powell,	Brunswick,	Clergyman.
14	H. W. Williamson,	Norfolk,	In Mexico. (Va. Regiment.)
15	J. B. Moomau,	Pendleton,	Teaching in Pendleton.
16	J. P. Mason,	Rappahannock.	
17	W. H. Stith,	Richmond,	Do. in Wythe.
18	E. M. Anthony,	Botetourt.	
19	R. L. Walker,	Albemarle,	Engineer.

1846.

* 1	T. B. Robertson,	Richmond,	Teaching.
* 2	J. Q. Marr,	Fauquier,	Do. in V. M. I.
3	W. M. Nelson,	Clarke,	Do.
4	R. E. Colston,	Berkeley,	Do. in V. M. I.
5	R. H. Keeling,	Richmond,	In Mexico. (Va. Regiment.)
6	G. W. Bruce,	Frederick,	Physician.
7	J. C. Porter,	Orange,	Teaching.
8	J. M. Patton, Jr.,	Richmond,	Lawyer.
9	Ed. Goode,	Bedford.	
10	Wm. C. Leyburn,	Rockbridge.	
11	P. A. Fitzhugh,	Middlesex.	
12	R. Tyler,	Prince William.	
13	R. Mills,	Richmond.	
14	W. J. Green,	Stafford.	

1847.

*1 R. H. Sinton,	Henrico,	U. S. Navy.
*2 G. C. Wharton,	Culpeper,	Teaching.
3 J. Y. Page,	Clarke.	
4 D. L. Powell,	Loudoun,	Teaching.
5 J. C. Moncure,	Stafford.	
6 J. P. Welch,	Madison,	Teaching.
7 H. B. Smyth,	Wythe.	
8 Wm Mahone,	Southampton,	Teaching.
9 Saml. McGrew,	Preston.	
10 B. L. Chrisman,	Rockingham,	Teaching.
11 J. M. Claytor,	Campbell.	
12 W. Downs,	Rockbridge,	Teaching.

1848.

*1 S. T. Pendleton,	Campbell,	To teach in Charles City.
*2 J. C. Council,	Norfolk,	Do in Essex.
3 J. M. Cary,	Greenbrier,	Do in Greenbrier.
4 C. V. Winfree,	Campbell.	
5 C. A. Derby,	Dinwiddie,	Do in Northumberland.
6 A. L. Rives,	Albemarle.	
7 J. R. Jones,	Rockingham,	Do in Augusta.
8 J. T. Ellis,	Amherst,	Do in Caroline.
9 J. P. Beale,	Westmoreland.	
10 R. E. Rodes,	Campbell,	Do in V. M. I.
11 J. S. Gamble,	Hardy,	Do in Augusta.
12 C. Carter,	Charles City.	
13 C. W. Cary,	Greenbrier.	
14 W. H. Pryor,	Dinwiddie.	
15 E. G. Wall,	Frederick,	Civil Engineer.
16 N. Berkeley,	Loudoun.	
17 G. W. Robertson,	Warwick,	To teach in Northampton.
18 J. Jones,	Jefferson.	
19 N. Tyler,	Prince William.	
20 { J. G. Brodnax,	Dinwiddie.	
{ F. B. Jones,	Frederick.	
22 B. G. Baldwin,	Augusta,	To teach in Loudoun.
23 W. W. Finney,	Powhatan.	
24 R. C. Trigg,	Montgomery,	Civil Engineer.

NEW CADETS.—APPOINTED 1848.

1. A. L. Hooton,	- - - - -	Preston.
2. J. S. Burks,	- - - - -	Botetourt.
3. Charles D. Rice	- - - - -	Jefferson.
4. James Wayland,	- - - - -	Albemarle.
5. F. S. Bass,	- - - - -	Brunswick.
6. C. P. Christian,	- - - - -	Campbell.
7. James Giles,	- - - - -	Pittsylvania.
8. Henry Whiting,	- - - - -	Hanover.
9. Isaac Robins,	- - - - -	Northampton,
10. J. V. Hall,	- - - - -	Princess Anne.
11. J. T. Snead,	- - - - -	Northumberland.
12. R. A. Thompson,	- - - - -	Kanawha.
13. A. L. Rogers,	- - - - -	Loudoun.
14. M. B. Manser,	- - - - -	Fayette.
15. J. A. Marshall,	- - - - -	Fauquier.
16. A. F. Gooch,	- - - - -	Richmond City.
17. H. Kerr,	- - - - -	Northampton.
18. G. P. Jacobs,	- - - - -	Do.
19. A. J. Vaughan,	- - - - -	Dinwiddie.
20. William Waller,	- - - - -	Amherst.
21. William H. Burroughs,	- - - - -	Princess Anne.
22. A. T. Harrison,	- - - - -	Richmond City.
23. J. Gantt,	- - - - -	Albemarle.
24. T. L. Harman,	- - - - -	Augusta.
25. J. Ashby,	- - - - -	Rappahannock.
26. J. C. Page,	- - - - -	Cumberland.
27. R. Lovell,	- - - - -	Madison.
28. James H. Johnston,	- - - - -	Norfolk City.
29. E. P. Williams,	- - - - -	Clarke.
30. C. Neblett,	- - - - -	Lunenburg.
31. J. G. Paxton,	- - - - -	Rockbridge.
32. B. Elliott, Jr.,	- - - - -	Orange.
33. H. Carrington, Jr.,	- - - - -	Charlotte.
34. A. C. Carrington,	- - - - -	Do.
35. W. Vandoren,	- - - - -	Berkeley.
36. — Sharp,	- - - - -	Ohio.
37. George G. Garrison,	- - - - -	Princess Anne.
38. R. O. Whitehead,	Nansemond.

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE,

Lexington, Va., 1848.

By order of COL. F. H. SMITH,

J. Q. MARR,

Adjutant of the Virginia Military Institute.