

EXCHANGE BRIC-A-BRAC.

Harvard has fifty-three student organizations.

University of Pacific has five debating societies.

The library at Columbia is lighted by electricity.

Illinois stands second in the Union in the number of her colleges.

Oxford University is able to print books in 150 languages and dialects.

The removal of Union College from Schenectady, N. Y., to Albany is mooted.

Rev. William Hyde, the new president of Bowdoin, is a graduate of Harvard.

An exchange suggests that Baltimore, rather than Boston, should be called the "Athens of America".

The University of Pennsylvania has received a bequest of \$60,000 for the investigation of Spiritualism.

The committee on June orator have invited Robt. Colyer of New York with good prospects of getting him.

Presidents Eliot and McCosh recently debated "Religion in College" before the Nineteenth Century Club.

At our sister University in the south a series of games of chess for the championship of the University have commenced.

Students of Amherst who do not attend to the required gymnasium work get no diploma at the end of their course.

It is said that the Senior class at Brown has got into such serious trouble that they have been obliged to appeal to the law.

In one of our sister colleges a book is kept in the library in which are recorded all the questions debated in the literary societies.

Cornell has a mock Congress and the students of Johns Hopkins have recently organized an imitation House of Commons.

Some of the students of Wisconsin State University are practicing with bacteria. They have cultivated several varieties.

Northwestern University is to have a new science hall costing \$40,000. The plan provides for a building of one story and 130 feet front.

The proper time now approaches for the sentimental college editor to commence a paragraph with, "One half the year's work is now done."

At the State Normal School, at Ypsilanti, Mich., the four societies have had something of a novelty in the shape of a pronouncing contest.

At the time of his resignation Pres. Porter had been connected with Yale College two years as a tutor, twenty-five years as a professor and over fourteen years as president.

We are thinking seriously of starting a collection of the most antiquated "chestnuts" which circulate in our exchanges. It is always ludicrous, sometimes awful, to see the stale jokes upon which the readers of college journals are fed.

A writer in the *Northwestern* discusses the lack of college spirit ably and comes to the conclusion that there isn't any lack. He thinks that instead of going into foot-ball and base-ball and "sich" it is expended in study.

We learn that the Sophomore class of the University of Cincinnati feel obliged to carry twenty hours per week in order to keep up the reputation of the class. Besides this they run a course of lectures and a debating society.

At Alleghany College the weekly holiday has been changed from Saturday to Monday. In some other colleges it is already so and it might be well for the student Nebraska University to think about it as something they will have to decide in the not distant future.

The Freshmen of our sister University, of Wisconsin, have perpetrated a social where they had a grand supper and a dance. The only thing which marred the joyous occasion was a number of upper classmen who, from the gallery, used eye-glasses on their defenceless brethren.

The *Academia* is unusually good in its last issue. It is obliged however to have in the customary groan on athletics. The exchange editor of the *HESPERIAN* may be a crank, but it would suit him better to have reports of athletic contests already held than a vain prospectus of something yet to be.

The two papers of the University of the Pacific, *The Hatchet* and *The Epoch* have consolidated under the name of *Pacific Pharos*. The change is a good one, but *Pharos* will never become an ideal paper till it omits those senseless imitations of some senseless exchange which commence with "Hello."

We are pleased to welcome the *Niagara Index* to our table. Since the present exchange editor has been in office the *Index* has not made its appearance till now. After looking the present copy over we come to the deliberate conclusion that for purposes of a college paper the exchange column is the best part of the thing.

Northwestern University has some industrious students. Taken by classes, from Senior to Freshman, the respective earnings were \$2,600, \$3,850, \$3,625, \$3,150, making an aggregate of \$13,225 for the year. More is earned by preaching than by anything else, four thousand dollars being paid for efforts in that line. Canvassing and life saving come next with two thousand apiece.

An oratorical contest has occurred at Lawrence Kan., and as usual one fellow took first prize and another second. As usual, too, there was considerable dissatisfaction in regard to the awarding of honors. What strikes us hardest is the comments of the *Courier* on the character of the orations. Either Kansas University has a cranky set of critics or the last oratorical contest was the poorest specimen of the kind ever inflicted on a suffering public. The orations are called jejune, and, after comparing orations to eggs in that they ought to be fresh, the writer says the last were old enough to hatch. A fellow by the name of Crane wears the University belt hereafter.

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The Philodicean Seniors trod the chapel rostrum last Friday evening. 'Tis said they have been christened "Eli." The Juniors had charge of the exercises of the preceding week, giving a programme fully equal to the one given by the Preps last month.