

EXCHANGE.

The number of Jan. 15, 1886 of the HESPERIAN will be gladly paid for if brought to this office.

The *DePauw Monthly* is working up quite a reputation on the strength of its article on "The Literature of the Indians."

The *Univ. Reporter*, of Georgia, has a new staff. In their first number they have well sustained the former excellence of the paper.

Young lady with blouse costume: "How do you like my new dress?" Young man: "Oh, it looks just like a bolt of cloth thrown at you."—*Ex.*

The *Denison Collegian* devotes nearly all its exchange space to the Bradshaw Oratorical case. The Ohio Oratorical Association has made a mess of it this time.

Our April Fool number has called out quite a number of favorable notices from our exchanges. A few more such puffs and we will be tempted to try it again. Beware!

The *Yale Record* has recently changed editors. From all indications the new board is as able as the old one. At any rate the standard of the paper is as high as ever.

Edwin L. Sherman, author of "Literature as an Expression of the Age in which it is Produced," in the *Northwestern*, will please accept our compliments. It is an excellent article.

That *Owl* from Crete put in an appearance about the 1st inst. It is a neat little paper but we would be much obliged if publishers would condescend to send it with some regularity.

The Hillsdale College Publishing Co. claim to issue 1,200 copies of the *Herald* each week. This ought to be ample inducement to influence the editors to make their sheet better than it is.

College Chips occasionally flies into our office. It is usually late, yet it is always welcome. It may be interesting to some to know that that paper represents the Scandinavian element in our educational institutions.

We do not hesitate to say that the *Williams Weekly* has the best editorial department of all our exchanges. It is truly a paper by the students—not of an isolated staff. It is also one of our new exchanges, and we hope a regular one.

Our exchanges are waging war against the present system of examinations. We are not going to admit that they are injurious. Nevertheless we hope their argument, if effectual, will bear fruit before the coming final exams. It would relieve us of many gloomy thoughts and hours of laborious cramming.

The interest in base ball playing is steadily increasing. Our exchanges are each sending in news from their respective colleges. The *Williams Weekly* even devotes four or five columns to games recently played. We most earnestly wish that the U. of N. boys would do something in this line. Come, wake up, boys. The HESPERIAN longs for something to fill space.

Marietta college has a new law: that any student who fails to pass any final examination shall be allowed to continue in the class, but is virtually suspended from college until his conditions are made up. The paper from that college thinks that the plan will be effectual in preventing failures. We doubt it. We welcome the *Olio*, recognizing its high position as a college journal, and as the paper hailing from our Chancellor's *Alma Mater*.

"Give me a kiss, my darling, do,"
He said as he gazed in her eyes so blue.
"I won't," she said; "you lazy elf,
Screw up your lips and help yourself.

—*Dartmouth.*

Within the last few years the scientific departments of our University have been greatly developed. At the present time this course we think equals the literary. This being the case, why is it we have so few scientific subjects discussed in the HESPERIAN? We find some consolation in the fact that many of our exchanges are in the same boat. But this does not help the matter much. Science should be better represented on our editorial staffs everywhere.

The *Nutshell* is one of our new exchanges. The appearance and general make-up of the paper are very good. We think however that the present number is not a fair sample of the amount of real work bestowed on the sheet. It is composed almost entirely of contest productions. These, as a matter of course, are excellent. We will carefully watch the *Nutshell* in the future, and when the editors fall back on their own strength we will be better able to give a true estimate of its value.

The *High School Register*, of Omaha, comes to our table quite regularly. It is one of the best of its class. The article on slang is deserving of special notice. Understand us now. We do not recommend it because of the amount of brains or rhetorical power displayed in composition, but because the subject needs agitating. Slang, of course, is harmless, but the habit grows, and the good Anglo-Saxon is lost sight of. Some of our college exchanges would do well to follow the example of this high school paper. College slang is on the increase.

The *Washburn Argo* jumped on to the HESPERIAN last week. Well, we like to be noticed; but we respectfully ask our friends to stick to the truth. We have not made any attack on Doane or York. In fact, quite a friendly feeling exists between us. In their contest struggles we wish them the greatest possible success. But as far as we are concerned we think we can get more benefit from close attention to every day studies. Again, the above-named paper has taken upon itself to defend the *Courier*. This is entirely uncalled for because there is more fighting stock in one inch of the *Courier* than in a dozen columns of the *Argo*. No jealous feeling prompted us to write as we did, and even to our 'rival' in Kansas we extend a friendly greeting.

One thing that we have noticed and which has pleased us, is the general good feeling that apparently exists between the various editorial staffs represented. Now and then, of course, some editor breaks the peaceful calm by his howl. But it is an isolated yell, and soon loses itself in the all-prevailing stillness. Last week the echo of a war cry from our sister university of Kansas reached our ears but it did not grate upon them to any dangerous extent. But this is not intended for Kansas alone. There is evidently some cause for this peace. Let us hope that it is caused by a realization of the fact that each staff owes a duty to their institution and themselves that does not allow them to stoop to contemptuous penitils. It is in times of peace that greatest progress is made. It is when criticism is given kindly that it is most heeded. Therefore let the present peace continue. Let each staff bring out the very best interests of their institution. Let the smoke of the lately fought battles roll away once that we may see exactly where our forces stand.