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EDITORIAL.

In the spring the young man's fancy ought to and generally does turn to base-ball. If the base-ball is to be of any account turning ought to be done a good while before spring. Base-ball teams are like Rome in one respect, they cannot be built in a day. The occasional fine days that we get ought to be taken advantage of by everybody in school that ever plays base-ball at all. Ten or twelve men batting flies is a good starter, but it isn't enough. There ought to be thirty or forty men out every afternoon that the weather permits. Last year we had a team but no games worth mentioning. This year we have a good prospect of getting some games and we ought to make every effort to get a team in the field that will do us credit. If we get the best material in school and handle it there is little doubt of the result. Nebraska has certainly some splendid ball players. It is to be hoped that they will have an opportunity to play and will take it.

Students in the Classical and Literary courses sometimes feel inclined to be a little jealous of the scientific when they see the great amount of money which is expended on the scientific equipments, and the comparatively small amount which goes to the other courses. The fact is that few of us realize the great difference between the scientific and other courses. The one is material and requires a great amount of material apparatus for experiment. The others are more immaterial and have to do with the mental side of life. They require hardly any apparatus except books and an occasional magic lantern or chart. Consequently it seems to a casual observer that there is a disproportionately large amount spent on the work of scientific students. A little reflection would, we think, prevent this opinion. Classical students ought rather to be glad that their studies are those that can be pursued without great expense to the state, than to have any hard

feelings against the authorities of the University for seeming to favor the scientific course in appropriations. Even the museum which the average classic thinks entirely useless and never visit except on holidays, is indispensable to the geologist and oologist. Moreover it pays for itself as an advertisement.

Rows of books aren't a bit attractive to visitors, but everybody asks for the collection of agates or Professor Barbour's famous biological question mark the Devil's Cork-screws. There is no reason why we should jump at conclusions and no real excuse for the slight evidence of selfishness we sometimes see.

From the Chancellor.

EDITOR OF THE NEBRASKAN:

You say "of course they did not" attend to the request for reparation for damages to the Garten sign. I am very sorry if this is a correct report. Fun-making, even when it slightly disturbs the quiet and settled of the community, is one thing; but the injury of property is quite another. That the act of which complaint was made was without malice, and was done in a spirit of thoughtless hilarity, is undoubtedly true. But I shall be sorry to know that any student or students of this University fail to make good any damage which they have occasioned under any circumstances. Kind and manly second thought ought to care for such matters, on the slightest suggestion.

Very cordially,

JAMES A. CANFIELD.

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