

interest to many students, especially to those who have any idea of becoming teachers; for to that class it is especially valuable, keeping as it does, before its readers the best thought of the day relative to school work. Students will find this journal in the reading room.

By the by, what has become of that redoubtable assistant of THE HESPERIAN, the *Ecritean*. We have never seen nor heard of it since its furious onslaught on all that was in any way connected with the University of Nebraska. We enjoyed the fun but fear the *Ecritean* didn't. But one little setback should not discourage so doughty a "corker." If it can do nothing else it should resume its old name and begin again. We'll give it puff.

It is interesting to note that in nearly every exchange we receive there are indications that college spirit is rife. Everywhere but here the students seem to have the correct idea that there is something more in college life than mere studying. Not studying makes the true college man entirely but a general interest in college affairs and politics and enterprise. It is high time that the students here began to wake up to this fact and become like other college men.

The University *Argus* is again at hand and with a new ex. man, a verdant chap in college politics, we imagine, or else he would not have the audacity to disregard the custom of his immediate predecessor so rashly. This new man even dares to speak somewhat disrespectfully, or at least slightly, of fraternities. It surprises us much after our tilt with his predecessor, but perhaps a slight change has happened at Missouri State University. It was needed. There is one thing more in the *Argus* we want to notice. It is the following sentence, which is something of a literary curiosity in its way. "As we launch our ship afloat on the billow waves of a short literary career we feel that we are likely to run ashore or be overwhelmed by the tumultuous tide." The figure used in that sentence is worth preserving for a "freak" at least.

The *DePauw Adz* for September presents a fine appearance and good matter. Whatever else the *Adz* may or may not do, it never hesitates to speak its mind in regard to its own university matters. Accordingly, in this issue it respectfully says that one professor who had just resigned was too old to keep up with the advancement of the university and a younger man with more life and enterprise was needed. It is, indeed, refreshing to come across something so outspoken among so many closely guarded utterances in which the writers seem to fear that they will make some feel the force of what they are saying. The *Adz*, moreover, speaks its mind calmly and in good spirit concerning the prospect of a rival in the line at DePauw. Whether, if the new paper should become a reality, the *Adz* would continue in the same strain remains to be seen. We fear it would not; yet its present promises are good.

College Review heartily agrees with all that HESPERIAN said in the late unpleasantness in oratorical circles but does not think that we are "right in attributing the lack of oratory to fraternities." It then proceeds to ask what, at first sight, may seem to be a poser. It asks, "Is the oratory in colleges with open literary societies more flourishing than that where the fraternities reign supreme?" Without entering into any extended discussion of this question it is well to note that there is no standard set by which we may judge of the condition of oratory whether it be flourishing or not, nor yet any extended and classified knowledge of the doings in an oratorical way in the colleges of the United States. Further-

more outside circumstances and efforts must be considered in accounting for special activity in oratorical lines. In conclusion we would simply call attention to the prize winners and to the gentleman who was so liberally applauded by the audience, the gentleman from Iowa, in the inter-state contest last year. All were "barbs."

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