

knowing, and more ethics than Plato, a long sight, and more black art than the devil himself. You knew more than any man I ever saw, more good and more evil. You could do a neater job with a knife and a piece of bone than any man in civilization, and you get away with more Smoke than any yaller man I ever saw. You were not a bad fellow Yung, but your heart has been dead these last six thousand years, and it was better for your carcass to follow suit."

He went out and got the finest lacquered coffin in 'Frisco and he put old Yung inside with a pound of rice and his pipe and a pound of the best opium in the market. Then he nailed him up singing: "*Ibimus, Ibimus, Utcumque praecedes, supernum, Carpere iter comites parati,*" softly as he hammered away.

He took the body to the graveyard where the Chinamen went through the rites. Then they loaded Yung on an outbound steamer. Next day Ponter stood on the docks and watched her plowing her way toward the Celestial shore.

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EXECUTIVE EXCERPTS

ON UNIVERSITY JOURNALISM.

One must touch lightly, if at all critically, upon University journalism, especially when one writes for the University Journal itself. Yet a single thought or suggestion may not come amiss.

The time and attention given to journalism at the University is not necessarily wasted or mispent. The work has a distinctive educational value which cannot be lightly set aside. That there may be a choice between this form of educational work and its results and some other forms that are available to the students is true. But if the choice be wisely made and as wisely sustained, there is every reason to expect thoroughly good results.

Whether a student expects to continue in the journalistic work or not, there are certain characteristics which he should strive to cultivate, and certain qualities which he should endeavor to express. Possibly, the most important of these are candor and fairness in the treatment of his fellows. That a student-journalist will endeavor to be truthful and to present only the facts, goes

without saying. The University world is too small, in spite of its size, for any other course to be profitably pursued or safely pursued—even if one looks no higher. But the cultivation of a judicial temper, by which is meant the spirit which undertakes to consider all phases of a question and to present these in an unbiased, all-around way, is not always so easy, nor so general. Yet this is precisely the time and the place for the development of this spirit. If we cannot believe now in the rightful purpose and sincere intent and honest effort of our associates, we will never have that faith in our fellow-men which alone makes life successful and living endurable. If a generously tolerant spirit is not possible in student life, then there is little hope for it elsewhere.

This does not mean less sturdy adherence to principle or less vigorous presentation of personal opinions. A good fighter and a successful one, feels and manifests patience, courtesy and respect; patience with opponents who are even trying to think about the matter in question, courtesy in presenting his own opinion and in criticising the opinions or actions of others, respect for all honest souls, even though they be weak souls. Contempt has no place in a true heart. Contempt never made a friend, never brought over a customer, never secured a client, never changed a vote, never won a victory. Contempt is weakness; wholesome respect is strength.

A well-known corporation attorney once said to a younger member of the bar: "You can never become a great lawyer until you honestly believe every opponent to be an unmitigated scoundrel." But a far greater and more successful advocate gave as the secret of his success, "I have treated opposing counsel with unfailing respect—even when it was difficult to do this." It is easy to be flippant, and sarcasm and irony are weapons always close at hand. A wise Journalist will use either very sparingly. Time and place cannot be more favorable for the cultivation of this kind of wisdom, than youth and University Halls.

ALUMNI AND FORMER STUDENTS.

Miss Una Morning has left school and is teaching at Alma, Nebraska.

'88. Chas. S. Lobinger, now practicing law in Omaha, visited Lincoln recently.

'92. Miss Lura Stockton spent the holidays at her home in Lincoln. She is still teaching at Geneva.