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EDITORIAL

A bill has been introduced into the legislature that we hope will become a law. In general it provides that, of every publication by the state, fifty copies shall be set aside for the state library and fifty for the State Historical society, to be used in exchange for similar publications of other states. This might be done at but slight cost to the state and it would materially aid both libraries. It is true, the State Historical society is in no way connected with the University; but its library is in the University building and we have access to it at all times. This fact gives us a friendly interest in its welfare. The society, too, deserves support on its own merits. Not until the history of our state is exhaustively written will the value of its work be fully realized. Nebraska may never present the interesting study that Massachusetts or Virginia does, but, in all probability, the future student in history will find something worthy his time in our early history; in which case his labor will be lightened and his investigation made more comprehensive by the aid derived from some such organization as the Historical society. History is studied more and more with each succeeding year; in all probability, its popularity will continue to increase, and certainly everything aiding in this line, either directly or indirectly, deserves commendation and support.

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It is too early, of course, to say just what the Legislature will do with or for the University. That it will act conscientiously no one doubts. That it feels due responsibility for the successful work of the institution cannot be questioned. If it is not fully informed