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### EDITORIAL.

WHILE we all wept tears over the victory of Doane, we want to say right here, that it may have been a blessing in disguise. It is always true that elation and victory beget carelessness. We won over Grinnell and afterwards there was not the exercise and drill that had characterized our team before. Boys, get down and work. You're the best team we ever had. The HESPERIAN congratulates you on your skill but don't let up in your practice. If you intend to carry off the pennant, be on the ground every night, do the best you can and we are sure you will be numbered at the head.

As the preliminary debates are almost at hand the HESPERIAN takes occasion to urge every student in the university, individually and collectively, to attend the debates—don't go to one of them, or to two of them, but go to all. Don't go alone but bring your girl along: if you have no girl of your own, bring somebody else's. The audiences must prove the inspiration of the debaters: in the interests of fairness as well as for the purpose of helping each debater do the best he is capable of doing. It is sincerely to be hoped that each debate will be attended by large, fair and enthusiastic audiences. Don't let yourself stay away because the debates continue for four successive nights and you have lessons to get. Do what you can during the daytime for your studies, then turn out for these four nights and "enthuse" for the lingual gymnasts. Demonstrate your patriotism: the profs will forgive you, even though they frown. The sternest professor of them all does not admire a student who is a clam.

It is not the policy of the HESPERIAN to say one word against athletics, because we