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EDITORIAL.

WHERE are the lectures—a continuation of that system inaugurated by Chancellor Canfield?

THE HESPERIAN wishes very much to improve its Alumni department. To do this we must have the help of the Alumni. Will you not assist us by sending anything about yourself or old students to the Alumni editor of this paper?

THE HESPERIAN has just learned of the resignation of Mr. Sheldon as manager of the foot-ball team. It is to be hoped that a first class manager will be found to take his place. We suggest that it would be for the best interest of the team to have a vigorous system of accounts published once a month in the college papers.

THE student who is not well informed on current topics may become a narrow book worm, but he cannot attain the widest culture afforded by a college education. If we, as college students, are to escape the hitherto just criticism that students know nothing outside of text-books, we must avail ourselves of the opportunities afforded by the University. With the large number of newspapers and magazines in our library, we have no excuse for not reading. Lack of time is not a valid excuse. Every student wastes some time daily that might be spent profitably in acquiring a more general knowledge. Let us see to it that the criticism of narrowness in reading and observation cannot be justly applied to us hereafter.

MODEST views of oneself, ones clothes and ones family tree are praiseworthy.

Over optimism with respect to the mental, moral, and even the social self is not wise. The man who sounds his own cornet usually renders a solo. There are limitations beyond which modesty ceases to be modest.

The man who refrains from ever saying a good word for himself or for his friends is self-denying. But the man who libels his own is no ensample of Christian forbearance. He is a heathen who throws his own offspring to the crocodile. He is a barbarian who cuts off his own ears.

The old woman who "says it as shouldn't" is more honest and more to be admired than the man who habitually disparages his own institution, his own family, or his own society.

If he can only speak curses, let him forever hold his peace. At least, let him hold his pen.

Don't Be Deceived.

At a recent meeting of the Nebraska State University Debating Association, a resolution was introduced providing that a successful debater of one year should not be a contestant at the next annual debate. This resolution was introduced with the welfare of the association in view, and for no other purpose. And yet some of the opponents of the measure have set up a crusade which would be laughable were it not in such a serious matter. They are already parading the halls, button-holing members of the association and standing forth as the only Simon pure students. We hope the students of the University will not be deceived by their specious arguments.

In the first place, they would have your support because the measure is aimed against a student (so they say) who is already registered in the preliminary debates. Such argument is rather for the sake of gaining