

come is a matter of pride to the friends of the University. We hail the Victors and congratulate them as stalwart "Sons of Nebraska" on the honor they have won!

#### Style in Debate.

In debating, manner is hardly secondary to matter. Style is nearly as much to be considered as material. The man who is known as a 'logical talker' has his reputation as much from his logical manner of speaking as from the logical arrangement of his argument. We believe that, in a majority of instances, men are known as debaters from their method of speaking as against things said.

"It isn't orations written so well  
But the 'get up and yell'  
That makes men sell."

There is more in the above doggeral than is apparent at first sight. We speak of Patrick Henry as "fiery and eloquent," of Daniel Webster as "ponderous and heavy" and James G. Blaine as "magnetic." Now all of these appellations apply to the manner of speaking and not to the matter of the speech. They are known for their fluency, their fire, their slowness or their magnetism. A speaker is judged more by how he says a thing than by what he says. The eyes are more acute than the ears and more often used in forming the mind, from which information a conclusion is drawn.

We are very attentive to the words in which an argument is clothed; why should we be less attentive to the machinery employed in putting the argument forth? If we have anything worth saying, is it not better that it be said well than illy? Should not the manner of the collegian be superior to the manner of the farmer? Is not an argument much stronger if presented in a pleasing manner? Is mere argument the only thing to be considered in a debate? Between two men, equal in argument, should not the one having the better delivery be ranked first? We are decidedly of the opinion that the man who fails to prepare his manner as well as material will ultimately fail in debate. The world will not listen to a man with ever so good thought who does not also possess some graces of expression. And we have this to observe that those who are loudest in their condemnation

of the 'art of speaking' are most careful to smooth out the roughness of their delivery when the critical time comes.

#### Alumni Notes.

J. Cecil Graham '95, now of St. Louis, was in Lincoln Thanksgiving week.

Mr. Thayer '95, of Denver visited friends in the city last week.

Mr. O. H. Allen '97 has returned to the University to take up the study of law.

Dr. Roscoe Pound, '88, made a short speech last Friday evening at the Thanksgiving Feed of the Union society.

Mr. Augustus Chapman '94, is just recovering from a four weeks' siege of typhoid fever.

Miss Eva O'Sullivan '97, who is now teaching in Creighton, Nebraska, spent the Thanksgiving recess with friends in Lincoln.

Herbert Reagan '97, came to Lincoln from Chicago to attend his sister's wedding, which took place Thanksgiving evening.

Miss Jessie Wolfe, '89, was married on Thanksgiving day at Butte, Montana, to Mr. John McKay, the principal of the Butte High School. The wedding was to have taken place in Lincoln, but owing to Mr. McKay's illness, which rendered it impossible for him to come to Nebraska, the ceremony was performed in Butte.

#### College of Law Notes.

The necessary outlay for books reminds all that a new law term has begun.

Several of the boys went 'home' Thanksgiving to eat turkey with "her."

Members of the '98 digest board will probably be elected this week.

D. W. Lamb '98, who has been on the sick list the past week, is again able to attend classes.

The Junior class finally perfected an organization by electing T. F. Harmer, president; Mrs Orckett, vice president and F. L. Gibson, secretary.

The Senior class is having 'fun' with moot courts. The Dean helped the boys out Monday evening.

The Juniors are now studying Elementary Law, Contracts and Agency. The Seniors have Evidence, Equity and Personal Property.