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The Chicago Herald recently gave a large size picture of Chancellor Canfield, formerly of this Univerity, now of the Ohio State University. The Herald is suggesting Chancellor Canfield for the place of Congressional Librarian, and his chances for securing the position seem very good. Not only will the office, if secured, be an honor to the man, but the man will be a greater honor to the office. His Nebraska friends, and especially those who have been connected with the University of Nebraska, are much interested in the news of his prospective official honor and are very free in offering endorsements to Chancellor Canfield for the position of Librarian of Congress.

## Attend the Palladian Oratorical Contest To-night.

The Sixteenth Palladian Oratorical Contest occurs in the chapel to night. Five contestants will compete for the prize of \$10,00 given by Messrs. Skiles & Williams, '92, and the honor of being the victorious Pall. in the coming school contest. This is the first of the contests which will take place this year. In a few weeks we will have a local oratorical contest to determine who shall represent the University of Nebraska in the state contest. Then in May we will have the honor of entertaining again the Inter-State Oratorical Contest, comprising ten states from Minnesota to Missouri, and Ohio to Colorado. Now is the accepted time for students to begin to take an interest in the contests and show this by their attendance. Let us not be lacking in student enthusiasm. Let us attend the contest to night in double numbers.

It begins to look as though the war is not over. The recent blood-shed at Manila seems to mark the beginning of much trouble growing out of our new obligations. As a result of this clashing of authority in the new possessions, our own First Nebraska volunteers suffered several deaths. The news, quite unexpected, came all the more shocking. How much sadder

and bitter must be the sudden sorrow brought into the homes of those who fell, where a feeling of peace and longing trust for a safe return of the absent ones had followed the anxiety and worry of war. What painful disappointment to those parents who, after a long period of suspense and fearful worry, lest the cruelties of war might visit them, began to be hopeful and look forward with eagerness and well-deserved pride to the happy return of their sons. What a contrast now fills those homes, And why? Why all this sorrow, blood shed and death? With whom are we now waging war? Are we still fighting for humanity? Are those natives simply bloodthirsty cannibals, unsatisfied unless at war? Are they fighting simply for fun? Are they so outrageous as to be led astray by unprincipled, insurgent demagogues into believing that they have anything to say about how they shall be governed? Do they really protest against being sold to another master? Can they be so radical after fighting for years for independence as to refuse military government?

What do Americans think of liberty and freedom? What is the price they paid for it? What did they consider were their rights when independence was won? What did they deem a suitable reward for the aid they received from France in securing their freedom? Did they ever dream of falling subjects to France simply because she aided them, or would they have peaceably laid down their arms and submitted to French soldiers and a military government?

## College of Law Motes.

Prof. Wilson is instructing the Juniors in torts, this term,

E. B. Perry returned Monday from a three days visit at home.

R. M. Harris was called to his home last week on account of the serious illness of his sister.

Leo. Copeland, one of last year's Seniors, has returned to complete his work with the class of '99.

Prof. Robbins was called out of the city on business and was unable to meet his class, Wednesday.

A list of the questions on the Blackstone examination was received by some members of the class before examination and as a consequence the whole class will have to submit to a re-examination. The guilty party has not as yet been apapprehended. The class swear "vengeance dire" on the culprit when he is discovered.

As announced, the Junior met Wednesday morning to elect class officers. A spirited little contest took place on office of president and secretary, but others were elected by acclamation. A class yell and colors were also decided upon. The following was the result of the meeting: