

## EDUCATIONAL.

The Harvard Zoological museum has already cost \$985,000.

The University cabinet will undoubtedly be increased by the work of the N. S. S. S. next summer.

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The N. Y. State University has at last consented to admit ladies, but they are required to recite by themselves.

The library of Columbia college numbers over 18,000 volumes, the library of the University of Neb. contains about 2,100 volumes. What a contrast!

St. Louis has a population of 45,000 and has 26,000 in attendance upon their school. Boston only has a population of 35,000 but has 47,000 in her schools.

\$1,000,000 is about the amount of gifts made to colleges of the United States during the year 1876. As there are 400 colleges in this country, this would make the average for each of them \$2,500.

On the 5th of Nov. Senator Saunders of this state introduced a bill into Congress for the forming of a new territory from the western part of Dakota and portions of Wyoming and Montana. The tract named includes about 70,000 square miles and has a population of about 35,000. If this territory were established and also another one from the northern part of Dakota which has been talked of, there would be considerable change made in the appearance of the maps of the Northwest.

## EDITOR'S TABLE.

Our table is covered with a formidable looking array of exchanges, among which the *Jewell* shines out with a superior brilliancy and lustre. It contains a number of interesting articles, all of them good. The one on "Association" contains fine thought,

is smoothly written, and in all is a creditable production. The "Omnibus" is a novel and attractive department, but we think too much room is taken up by "The Two Aristocracies," leaving space for but two other passengers. There is a general criticism to be made on the length of the contributions. They need boiling down, or, as the Harvard man puts it, "a judicious elimination of superfluous phraseology." But on the whole the *Jewell* is the best exchange we have, and we hope it may ever deserve the title of *bijou*.

The *R. H. S.*, published at Rockville, Connecticut, has made its *debut* on the journalistic stage. It is neatly gotten up, and bids fair to become a journal of merit. On account of its fine quality of paper it is recommended to housekeepers for the pantry shelves, but we prophesy a more brilliant future than this for the *R. H. S.* Success be with you, brethren.

The *Lawrence Collegian* rejoices in the addition of four pages, but as they were inserted upside down we failed to derive much benefit from them. The editorial columns are well conducted, containing interesting articles on subjects of common interest to all colleges. We especially admired the one respecting the character of contributions by students.

The *Pen and Plow*, from the Empire State, should change its title to *Scissors and Plow*. It would be more appropriate, judging from the lack of original matter in its columns.

There is a force and power in brevity, which fact many students seem to ignore in their writings. The points they make are like those of one of Shakspeare's characters, whose reasons were as two grains of wheat hid in two bushels of chaff; you might seek all day ere you found them; and when you had them they were not worth the search. The contributors to the *Bates Student* have avoided this and winnowed the wheat, giving us pithy articles, which are undisputably better than