

can be accomplished, the benefit derived will more than repay the time and trouble spent by a few in making the necessary arrangements. But if the necessary arrangements are to be left wholly, as formerly, to the executive committee, experience has taught that the committee should consist of more than three members. For the constant care that their attention demands more than monopolizes the leisure time of so few. With the former success of the Association, it should make great inducements to bring her lecturers before the public at no late day in the lecture season, and if properly managed success is certain to award the Association praise in its efforts to procure cheap and instructive lectures for the University at large.

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We suggest that Nebraska send a representative to the Inter-State Oratorical Contest to be held this year, at Iowa City, we think. The Colleges of Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota have an organization already formed; and no doubt they will admit us if we make such a request. In order to accomplish this, it will be necessary that we form a state association embracing our various colleges. To facilitate such a movement, we suggest that the students of Doane College, Peru Normal, Nebraska City College, Brownell Hall, and the other colleges of the State, hold meetings to determine whether they will enter into such an enterprise; also let them make suggestions as to time and manner of further proceedings. Let such action, as may be taken, be forwarded to the Editors of the *STUDENT*; and they will issue a call in the next number for a meeting to perfect arrangements. We suggest Lincoln as the place for holding the first contest, to choose an orator to represent the State, since it is centrally located and easy of access. By such an attempt we shall become acquainted; and we shall also have a chance to compare the work that is be-

ing done at the various schools of the State. It is only by comparison that we can tell what we are really accomplishing. Such a contest will also give us a chance to measure strength with other western states. We shall have more to say upon this subject if our suggestion meets with any approval.

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The sense of propriety seems to be entirely wanting in some people. If they have any judgment, or any respect and consideration for the rights of others, they manage to hide it most completely, for they talk, laugh and giggle under all circumstances and in all places. In fact, if they have any sense whatever, they keep it for to themselves, since they seldom show any of it in public. Unhappily, we are afflicted with a few of this class. To them, chapel services seem designed simply that they may have a good time. They twist and turn upon their seats, whisper to those around them and are constantly watching for something to laugh at. Now whether the attendance upon chapel exercises should be compulsory or not; or whether there should be any such exercises, *may* be an open question; but there can be no question as to the disgracefulness of such actions. The Faculty of our University put us upon our honor in regard to our behavior. But a few young men have shown, that in their cases, this confidence was sadly misplaced. Yet these same young men would be the first to complain if any other system of government were adopted. Most of the students heartily despise such actions, and regret that the conduct of half a dozen persons can so seriously jeopardise the success of the principle of self-government. Let us show by our actions, that we are young men and women, and that we do not need to be watched like a lot of little boys and girls.

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