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EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE desirability of a full attendance at chapel is quite unanimously agreed upon. Now let us have the attendance, and the Faculty ought by all means to set the example.

If the University, individually and collectively, did not return devout thanks on Thursday for the material blessing of the past year, it should have done so. The prosperity of the institution during the year has been unprecedented.

AN occasional lecture before the University would do much toward unifying the institution and breaking down society prejudice. If there is already too much work on hand some of it can profitably be dropped. One good address each term on some subject of general interest will do fully as much good as the regular society exercises.

THE patronage given this paper by the business men of Lincoln has always been liberal. The patronage given these same men by the students should also be liberal. Our friends can do us a great service by dealing only with the firms who invite them through our columns to do so. Fair treatment will always be secured, as our advertisers are as a rule thoroughly responsible parties.

ONE of the most sensible innovations proposed this year is the closing of University meetings at or before ten o'clock. Better health, more work and less liability to unfriendly criticism are some of the benefits to be gained by making this change. Ten o'clock, standard time, is certainly late enough for

the breaking up of any gathering of sensible students.

THE demand for an "investigation into the affairs of the medical department" is silly, through no harm can possibly come from it. This "investigation" business should be begun in the city and not at a great distance from police head-quarters. If University men are proven guilty of any crooked work they will receive no protection from the University authorities. If the policemen are ready, let the show go on.

A FEW of the young men of the University need to be reminded that there is nothing funny in their new practice of destroying college property. It is vandalism pure and simple and will not be tolerated by public sentiment among the students, much less by the authorities. Law protects the campus as well as the house of the private citizen, and violators of the law are to be punished in regular form through the municipal courts.

THE thing that must be secured for our University within the next five years is a gymnasium. No room fitted up with a pair of gloves and a broken Indian club will do; it must be a permanent institution with a large building, a regular instructor, and the best equipment that can be secured. How this much desired end is to be reached in an unsolved problem, but its importance calls for earnest and continued agitation of the question.

THE HESPERIAN is informed by the contractor, Mr. C. H. Cowing, that he has placed the steam heating apparatus in the main building at a considerable loss to himself financially. The work, however, gives no indication that it has been carelessly or cheaply done; on the contrary it gives the lie direct to the croakers who insist that "contracts are never carried out honestly." Mr. Cowing is a graduate of Cornell University, of the class of '83, and besides superintending his contracts here, has made hosts of friends among the University people.

THE number of graduates of the University who are occupying responsible positions in other institutions is steadily on the increase. At the beginning of the present year Mr. Geo. G. Hitchcock, of the class of '83, was elected to a professorship in the growing college of Pierre, Dakota. Mr. Geo. W. Botsford, '84, has just entered upon his duties as Prof. of Latin and English in St. Charles College in Missouri. The records made by both of these gentlemen when students among us warrants the assertion that as instructors they will achieve more than ordinary success.