

The last *Lawrentian* contains an enthusiastic defence of Ireland which is well written. The *Lawrentian* is another clean exchange but its exchange column is not so prominent as it should be.

At Princeton, where the discipline is said to be very paternal, hazing is fiercest. It is a matter of general comment in our exchanges and the idea of self government seems to be rooting itself more and more strongly in the belief of college men.

A Professor of Systematic Divinity being unable to hear his class, the following notice was given: "The Professor being ill, requests me to say that the Seniors can keep on through Purgatory, and Juniors continue the Descent into Hell until further notice from the Professor."

Some of our "esteemed contemporaries" seem to be worried because some exchange says they're the worst college journals. They should console themselves, with the thought that every exchange man must have some "worst specimens" and they fill a place which would otherwise be vacant.

Some of our brother ex. eds. are disturbed because we do not come up—or down to their standard of college journalism. Perhaps our ideal is incorrect, but it would be more charitable to tell us how to do than to senselessly condemn. We beg of our exchanges, don't talk so about us.

And now another *Muhlenberg Monthly*. It is an improvement on the last one especially in the inside matter which looks more like "getting there." The intellectual article "A Freshman on Socrates" was evidently written by a genius. Somebody will be president some time.

A writer in *Doane Owl* pays his compliments to Henry George in the following words:—"Henry George's principles of taxation are nothing more than a scheme whereby the successful, the saving, the temperate, the industrious, shall assist the unsuccessful, the profligate, the vicious and the idle."

We welcome the *Richmond College Messenger*, which for short we shall hereafter denominate *R. C. Mess.* Among its articles we find every variety of subjects. It aspires to have "War Papers" and contains "Trip to Battle-Fields below Richmond." We are not informed whether they are continued or not.

The students of Michigan Univ. have had a racket with the city police at Ann Arbor. The police appear to have been very officious in dealing with the students and evidently acted for some chance to exercise their power. We heartily sympathize with the students for we have experienced a certain measure of unappreciative attention from those who never saw the inside of a college; yet here, as everywhere, keep cool.

"The *Hesperian*, published by the students of the University of Nebraska, tried to be funny at our expense. It is true we are small in appearance, but there is nothing small about us. It is far better to be a diamond, sparkling in the sun, diffusing light and truth, than a huge Nebraska boulder of no use but to crumble and fall to pieces.—*Foster Academy Review.*—Thanks; nothing pleases us better than to receive such complimentary appreciation.

We wish to inquire how much the *Wooster Collegian* will take for its poetry machine. It has one of the best we know of. Its efficiency has been proved by the production of a poem(?) of seventy-five verses and an average of one and a half Indian cognomens of the latest and most approved style to the verse, the whole nicely spaced into verses of an even length. To be sure the quantity is more prominent than the quality, but quantity is a good deal.

The *Argonaut* is stoutly upholding the students in their little squabble with the police at Ann Arbor. It seems to be a rather mixed mess. The first trial in the case has happened and has resulted in a verdict of guilty, with a fine of \$50. and costs. The students may possibly have exhibited somewhat less than regulation amount of humble deference towards the guardians of the law but we sympathize with them all the same. Humility is not a prominent characteristic of students.

The *Scholastic* for Nov. 21 has two vindications,—one of "Historical Certitude", the other of "The Cow Boy." The former contains some good thoughts. But after wading around through profane history and mentioning Pericles, Sallust, Thucydides, Livy and Caesar the writer comes around to the almost inevitable vindication of the veracity of the canonical Gospels. This may be all right but there can be too much of even a good thing and we yearn to see something in the *Scholastic* which lacks that smack of sanctity which so generally pervades its columns.

Our contemporary from Washington University does not show an appreciation of the HESPERIAN'S good qualities. We are sorry, but after looking through the last number of our C. of W. U. we have concluded that it has not yet reached the years of responsibility. Said number consists principally of two short stories, one good quality, one which its author compares, in a roundabout way, to the toad-stool which comforted Wordsworth. The editorials are certainly not worthy the name, and the local column is so mixed with stale jokes as to be uninteresting.

The *Hesperian*.—With the exception of the "Courier," the "Hesperian Student" is the poorest specimen of college journalism that has yet come to us. It contains but one thing at all literary, and that is without a name. It seems to be an antithetical display of Laertes and Hamlet in Shakespeare. The production may lay claim to some merit—more, indeed than the heading, "Miscellany," can give. "The *Hesperian*" may fulfill the purposes for which it is designed, but it is sadly wanting in some of the most important features of a college magazine.—*Alabama Monthly.* RATS!

The *Blackburnian* has an editor on its staff who fairly overflows with good advice boiled down, *e. g.*: "Be not sparing in good acts. Be beneficent. Pour forth your whole soul in the bounteous tide of charity, and mankind, drinking of the waters, will bless you. Happy is the receiver; noble is the giver."—and more to the same effect. It also contains an oration on "An Unfinished Task" a discussion of the American negro. A writer pleads that prize orations, essays etc. be bound and preserved for the use of students. The paper shows a fair amount of ability but perpetrates a most foolish thing in that class diagnosis.

The *Northwestern* for Nov. 20th contains "Addison's Writings" and various other articles of general and local interest. We should like to compliment the *Northwestern* on its clean appearance but must hasten to notice a piece which commences:—"The student who expects to earn his own bread and butter after leaving college cannot afford to make his education too liberal in its scope, however much he might wish to do so." Then it goes on to compare the getting of an education to shooting a rifle and makes the sage remark that a man can learn to shoot more quickly by firing at a mark than by firing into the air. Just as though education could be too liberal or that he who seeks such an education must necessarily do it aimlessly. In our own opinion the writer had a good idea though he so confuses it with other ideas not so good that it is almost valueless.