

## EXCHANGE BRIC-A-BRAC.

The *Aurora* contains several articles of a literary character besides those devoted to agricultural interests.

The K. S. U. students publish six journals. We do most sincerely hope they are not all like the *Weekly Courier*.

The *Campus* contains a very lengthy article on "Superfluous Women," by Mary Livermore, also plenty of editorials.

There seems to be nothing to say about the *Hillsdale Herald*, except its appearance, and as every other paper is doing that, we will say nothing; we will simply think.

The poet of the *Hesperus* evidently thinks it too late in the season to write any more spring poems therefore he has commenced on the sea. We are sorry for the sea.

The *Simpsonian* appears with a fine cut of the college on its cover. It contains among many readable articles, one upon the rather old subject, "Woman Suffrage,"—also one on "Mrs. Browning."

The scheme for making the *Northwestern* a weekly paper seems to be finding general favor. The idea is to obtain the use of a room and have the paper printed by the students of the university.

*Coup D'Etat* contains principally articles on the intercollegiate contest. The oration which took first prize is to be found in the paper. The first article in the Exchange echoes our sentiments.

The pages of the *Central Ray* are filled with interesting and well written articles. One of the new things noticeable is the printing of the topics and the leaders of the Y. M. and the Y. W. C. A. for the fall term.

Kalamazoo college is left in a rather unsettled state, by the refusal of Dr. Goodspeed to accept the presidency. We can easily understand that the college is disappointed at not being able to obtain such a man as Dr. Goodspeed to fill that position.

Three things are required to run a school paper successfully  
They are

{  
\$,  
Common sense,  
Originality.

—The Signal.

*Academy Mirror* is the name of the little paper from Franklin academy, at Franklin, Nebraska. In it are set forth in a forcible way the motives for founding and the aims of the academy. It is intended by the faculty that students completing the preparatory course shall enter the freshman class of the University as well as of the other leading colleges in Nebraska without examination.

A description of a grand student's Commers, which we found in the *Collegian* gave us a better idea of German students' life than we had ever entertained before. The Commers is the same as the German Kneipe on a very large scale. The exercises consist of beer drinking and speech making, the beer drinking forming the largest part of the program. Seven hours was a long enough stay for the writer of the article, but the exercises continued much longer.

The What the Why and the How. What is the isness of a thing's thingness. The Why is the becauseness of a thing's whatness. The How is a thing's beginningness viewed from the standpoint of the method of its beginningness.—*Pacific Pharos*.

Oh, the depth of the above! O, the length, and breadth and height of the wisdom contained in this literary gem! Is U. of P. literature degenerated into such senseless items?

Self respect is a quality which should enter into the character of all, and should be kept continually in mind. If more thought was given to it many things that occur which are actually humiliating, would never happen. We are apt sometimes to do things, unless we are on our guard, which would injure our character in the eyes of many. By remembering that self respect is of paramount importance in the formation of a true character, we will be enabled in many instances to overcome strong temptations.—*Our Young Men*.

The *Berkeleyan* comes out with the statement that college papers should not dabble in politics and immediately enters a plea for the so-called American party, 'because those principles are important, you know'. We are inclined to agree with the first statement, but do not sympathize with the plea, and think that however important the issue of any political party may be, the proper place for the discussion of that issue is in political papers. The stand taken by the *Occident* upon that question is very praiseworthy, however much it may have been the outgrowth of rivalry.

The necessity of learning to speak German fluently is presented in the *Muhlenberg Monthly*. The arguments in favor are numerous and excellent. Speaking German fluently is something different from learning to translate fluently, as those who have studied it probably know from experience. In almost every section of our country German is spoken, and this will probably continue to be the case for many years. The need of a thorough knowledge of the language is then apparent in every department of labor. It is useful to the merchant, to the lawyer, but most of all to the minister and teacher.

At a meeting of the S. E. S. Oratorical Association held in the Irving Hall, Monday afternoon an amendment to the Constitution was ratified. It is to the effect that the winning orator in each home contest shall furnish to the secretary of the State Association as many copies of his oration as there are Home Associations in all the states comprised in the Inter-State Association. Thus every year a pamphlet can be issued to each local association containing the winning orations in all the home contests in all the several States together. It is designed in this way to bring into being a permanent oratorical contest literature. A pretty good idea.—*Vidette Reporter*

And it came to pass in the school session which began in the ninth month that a great and dire evil, invented and set in the hands of the youth by Satan, appeared in the midst of of the students at Doane. Now this root of evil bears the name of "chestnut bell," and if perchance some old and witty saying came from the mouth of a worthy man or woman this bell doth sound from beneath the outer garments of some person whom it is said possesseth devils. How this may be cast out is what troubles the minds of them who be not fools.—*Doane Owl*,

The *Ariel* dons the garb of discontent and appears with several stories of complaint. The literary societies are the culprits this time, and surely their future as portrayed in the *Ariel* is not very promising. "Our literary societies have no charms, no inducements for the student. They are dying and fossilizing." Sorry, but don't you know that such a state of affairs should not exist long? If all your editors sympathize with that article, the way is clear. Six active members can make a literary society if they are only resolved to do it and if, instead of wasting your efforts in deploring the sad state of affairs, you put your shoulders to the wheel, you could awaken the latent interest and succeed in giving a "solid, well-sustained old time program, received by an interested, crowded, old time audience." Try it.