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EDITORIAL NOTES.

SOME have claimed that we did not voice the opinion of the students, in our last number, with respect to their preference in the matter of new buildings. As a rule, they seem even more loath to forego the privileges of a good gymnasium than we had anticipated. A very few, however, even yet would demand the gymnasium before the library building; but those who have taken exceptions can best be convinced of the truth of our statement by inquiring among the students before forming a conclusion as to what that student opinion really is. We have learned that it is not always safe to venture your own opinions before the world as the views of your fellows. In most cases they will need either a radical revision or at least some slight modification. We repeat, the students want the library building and funds, and would like very much to have a gymnasium.

STUDENTS will find it to their interests to patronize dealers who advertise in the HESPERIAN. By so doing they will not only be dealing with upright and

honest men, who take an interest in the affairs of the University, but they will also help us by thus convincing our business men that it does pay to advertise in the HESPERIAN. The money spent among the merchants of the city by our students each year is no small sum, and if spent among those who advertise with us would repay them many times for favors shown.

It can work no lasting good, even if it be possible, to crowd an institution in its growth. We cannot become suddenly great. The University has a great work before it; it is certainly clearing the ground, preparing for that work, if not already entering upon it. Nebraska's sons and daughters are scarce yet educated, fitted for the university work, and until that preparation, at least, be made we cannot do the work of a university. On the other hand, we may pursue a course which will scarcely allow us a proper growth, if indeed it does not work our ultimate ruin and decay. There is one department of work here which greatly needs encouragement,—the post graduate work. It is in our opinion quite an insufficient support merely to offer an opportunity for posting, without making some effort to make that work of more than ordinary value. Something tangible must be offered, and the offer must be backed up by that which makes it to the student's interest, economically and practically so, to accept that opportunity. The wealth seeking spirit of this western state must be included in the count. In the interests of the University and its under-graduates we urge upon those who have the future of our graduate work in hand to bestir themselves. There is a great deal in it for us, if we but develop it properly.

THE Scientific club, of which mention has been before made, was organized to meet a need of the Scientific students. In the class room are studied the laws and forces of Nature and their application in a general way. By the elective system, as instituted in our school, students in the higher classes are enabled to make a special study of subjects of local interest. At present there are ten or twelve scientific students making investigations in fields that are practically unexplored, such as the working out of some geological formation of the state, the anatomy and physiology of the cottonwood, and others, including nearly ev-