

## EXCHANGE.

The *Crescent* comes in looking neater than ever.

The *Earlhamite* is one of our new exchanges. We are pleased with it and cheerfully recommend it to our college friends. The range of topics treated is much broader than that of the average college paper.

For the benefit of some of our pugilistic sophomore friends we mention the fact that the entire sophomore class of Madison university was suspended. The faculty tried to suppress the usual "cane rush," when the "sophs" assailed the college with missiles with the above result.

What has happened? Last year the *Lincolnian* could not abuse us enough. But judge our surprise when on opening the first number of this year, we found a complimentary notice of THE HESPERIAN. We take it for what it is worth, and hope the spirit that prompted it was sincere.

We are in receipt of Vol. 1, No. 1, of the *Greeley News* published at Greeley, Neb. It is a very neat, readable paper, but what attracted our attention most was the name of Anson H. Bigelow as one of the two editors. We are glad that A. H. has made the venture, and trust it will be successful. He received most of his training in the journalistic line on THE HESPERIAN and we naturally feel an interest in him. May the *News* grow and wax fat as likewise the editor's pocket book.

We acknowledge the receipt of *The Eton Fortnightly*. It is quite a treat to receive an exchange from "grand old England." The most striking characteristic we noticed was the great attention paid to athletic sports. This would lead us to believe that in English colleges physical training receives far more attention than in America. While we are inclined to think that our English friends carry it too far, we do not hesitate to say that a happy medium would greatly benefit Americans.

The faculty of Lincoln University have gone crazy. At a recent meeting they passed a law prohibiting inter-visitation of society members. They not only forbid students to visit each other's societies, but exclude the public from attending their meetings. This is certainly an intrusion on the rights and privileges of the students, and we are pleased to notice that the students have made an organized resistance. We hope that the faculty will soon awake to their folly and treat their students as men.

As we were sitting in our sanctum the other day, patiently waiting for exchanges to come in, from which we could crib an article or two to fill space, the mailman came and broke the silence by dropping the *Shorthand Writer*. We eagerly opened it expecting to find something, but lo, it was printed in shorthand. What is written on those black pages is a mystery to us, yet we trust that there is nothing detrimental to THE HESPERIAN. It is laboring in a good cause and we are pleased to exchange.

The *Dartmouth* board of editors is composed entirely of seniors. These have the privilege of selecting one assistant from the juniors and one from the freshmen. These selections are based on the result of a competition open to all members of the two classes. Heretofore the *Dartmouth* has been a good average paper, but under the management of seniors we will expect to see an inferior journal. A few years college life has taught us that in point of executive ability seniors are worthless and even if they do happen to be unusually endowed they have to spend too much time looking after the dignity of the institution to devote time to a college paper.

The Faculty of the University of the Pacific have at last seen their folly in suppressing the publication of the *Pacific Pharos*. The suspension of this sheet caused a deep feeling of regret among its various exchanges and its re-appearance will be hailed with delight. Under the new regulation the president of the faculty is the sole tribunal before which the editors are to appear for any sins they may commit. The arrangement seems to strike their fancy and we hope that hereafter they will have peaceful sailing. As a literary paper it has held a high place among its contemporaries. The literary department of the September number is indeed excellent. The discussions of "Chaucer" and "Puritans and Cavaliers" show investigation as well as literary ability.

The *McMicken Review* shows some good sense in the article on "Our Social Life." This plan of college life cannot be too much discussed. How many of those who enter our college fully consider the great advantages that are to be derived from the social side of our work? The number of hours spent in pondering over a book or the number of 98's that the student carries off are not always a true index to the amount of benefit he is receiving. It is the man who is developed intellectually, socially and physically that commands our admiration most. It is true that most students can use all their time in preparing lessons, but notwithstanding this, we feel like insisting on the fact that it is not always the best thing they can do. Many of those who come from the farm have that great obstacle—bashfulness, to contend with. When they have successfully fought against this they have made a great step forward. The social part of our school life is the only place where this can be accomplished, and the student who does this, even at the cost of class standing, has little to regret. What good is a college education to one who cannot use it, who loses his self-possession at every little circumstance? The utility of an education is measured by a man's ability to use what he knows, and he who goes out fully developed in this particular is better prepared for the world than he who leads his class but lacks the executive ability. But do not think success in these two lines are incompatible; both may, and often do, go together. Time taken for social development is not lost. The mind is refreshed and the memory becomes more tenacious, so that when the study hour comes, twice the work can be done with the same amount of effort.

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