

EXCHANGE.

The *Ariel* from Minnesota university is one of our most interesting exchanges.

The Lombard *Review* is one of the neatest looking papers which we have as yet seen.

The Omaha High School *Register* should receive the support of the scholars of the Omaha public schools. It is a bright and newsy paper.

The *Geneva Cabinet*, published at Beaver Falls, Pa., is an excellent paper. Its columns are filled with choice reading matter, and the artistic work is good.

The Ottawa *Owl* contains an interesting essay on hats. So commonplace a subject would seemingly not be a good one, but the writer has written his story in such pleasing style that it is very entertaining and instructive reading.

Many of our exchanges contain announcements of changes in the marking and class honor systems. The latter system is being gradually abolished. The entering wedge has now been started which will ultimately result in the abandoning of the marking system. It is well.

From all over the country come reports of an increased attendance in the colleges and universities. This indeed is encouraging. It is an indication of two things; that the financial condition of the people is becoming better; and that the spirit of hostility to a college education is gradually wearing away.

A new plan has recently been adopted at the University of the Pacific in the matter of registering "specials." Hereafter they will be termed "irregulars." By this appellation the university authorities hope to create a desire among "irregulars" to become regular, as the title is not a very creditable one.

Orophilian failed to meet last Friday night and Athæneum had few attendants. What is the matter, boys? Are the societies succumbing to the inevitable?—*University Courier*.

The above paragraph contains much food for reflection for those who, in our own University, sympathize with the "inevitable."

The column or two of rot run each week by the Denison *Collegian*, the *Northwestern*, and other exchanges received at this office under the head of "Pan-Hellism," etc; may be of interest to some people. At this institution, however, where the three open literary societies are the boast of the students, such news is not considered worthy of publication. This statement will probably explain to the HESPERIAN readers why nothing is allowed in its columns concerning the fraternities here.

Consumption seems to be one of the disagreeable features at Lawrence, Kan. Nearly every year we hear of some ex-student of Kansas State University dying of the consumption. Recently a young lady, a member of the senior class, died of that disease, and the writer knows of other people going to school there who are wearing away with consumption. The university at Lawrence is situated at the summit of a steep hill, and it is thought that the over-exertion caused by that hill, aided by other causes, tend to encourage this terrible affliction.

The Niagara *Index* is one of the most interesting exchanges which we have received. An essay on the "Morality of Shakespeare's Plays" is especially worthy of mention. We differ, however, from the views of the writer, when he makes his criticism so sweeping as he does. Although Shakespeare's plays contain much that is repulsive to moral people of to day, the *Index* man must take into consideration that in Shake

speare's time the standard of morality was not so high as now, and the course and vulgar jests of Falstaff and others were not considered as unfit to hear. It would be as reasonable, or more so, to turn loose on Boccaccio and charge him with spreading immortality. We must not measure the morality of the works of such writers by the morality of to-day. "The College Paper" is the subject of an interesting article in the *Elite Journal*. If about three-fourths of the college papers, not excepting the *Journal* would follow the advice given in the article the result would be that the standard of the college paper would be raised, and its influence greatly extended.

The future of the negro seems to be the most popular subject for discussion in the college papers at present. All kinds of propositions are made in regard to disposing of him. In the absence of a political campaign this question takes the place of the tariff question excellently. Let the good work go on. Perhaps in a year or two some college editor will make himself famous by evolving some plan which will effectually determine the race problem.

ATTENTION—COLLEGE PAPERS.

Now that college students throughout the country have returned to their work, it is well that their attention, and particularly the attention of the representatives of the college press should be drawn to the future Inter-collegiate Press association.

The association was formed last May at Grinnell, Iowa, with S. D. Harsh, Galesburg, Ill., president; H. C. Peterson, State University, Lincoln, Neb., secretary; and C. C. Michener, Oskaloosa, Ia., as treasurer. It was the outcome of long continued agitation among college papers and was finally formed after considerable effort. Now that a press association, the wish of years, has at last been formed, it is necessary to its existence that more interest in it should be shown this year than last. If the college editors wish it to live, if they wish any benefit from it they must say so—and say so quickly.

Membership in the association may be obtained by depositing one dollar with the treasurer and filing a copy of the applying journal with the secretary. At the meeting of the association to be held May, 1890, at Lincoln, Neb., representatives will accredited delegates and all voting by those present and by sealed ballots from those absent. THE HESPERIAN of the State Uni. Lincoln, Neb., is the official organ. Any information may be had by addressing the secretary.

The association is young and its life rests with the college press. College editors clamored for it and here it is. If the college editors wish it to live, they must support it by becoming members.

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