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HONOR IN STUDENT LIFE.

"The history of the government of the students in American colleges," says Dr. Thwing, "is a history of increasing liberality and orderliness," of increasing orderliness because of increasing liberality.

There has been also a corresponding change in the attitude of college students toward those living in the college environment. Conflicts between gownsmen and townsmen are no longer a settled feature of college life. This consummation is to be ascribed in part to the growth of college towns and to the attendant blending of student life with a larger social and civic life. It has been brought about also by the greater attention now paid to the physical comfort of students in dormitories and lecture rooms, by the modernization of the curriculum, and by the wider introduction of the elective system. The adaptation of student to study, which it is the aim of the elective system to effect, leaves little room for the restless leisure that used to vent itself on signboards and hen-roosts. Congenial work and plenty of it will do more to harmonize a student to his surroundings than all the formal regulations or systems of espionage that the mind of man could devise.

But while there has been improvement in the respects noted, student standards have still their inconsistencies. The two nerve centers of stu-

dent honor are now athletics and examinations. It would be hard to overrate the significance of athletics in modern college life. Time was when the commencement exercises furnished the chief point of contact between the collective life of the student body and the outside public. The point of intersection is now the intercollegiate game of football or baseball.

The popularity of these games, however, and especially the unprecedented interest in football, have grown faster than the means devised to meet and control the abuses connected with them. Methods of safeguarding intercollegiate athletics are yet in an experimental stage. . . . The duty of the hour is to educate public sentiment in and outside of our colleges so that it will despise the doctrine of victory at any price. . . . It must be remembered, too, that no institution can long maintain one standard of honour for the athletic field and another for the recitation room.

Note.—From an excellent contribution by Dr. Alphonso Smith on the Honour system in the southern states.

In the class in homiletics, the other day, a budding divine was giving the divisions of a text in which "sleep" was the predominant thought. He had no less than six divisions of "sleep," such as "the sleep of peace," "the sleep of rest," and various other "sleeps." When the professor asked for a criticism, one knowing youth remarked, "He should have added a seventh division, sir." "What would you suggest then?" asked the teacher. "The sleep of the congregation," was the theological reply.—*Ex.*