

Owing to the late appearance of our first number we have a well filled table of exchanges to criticize—if that be the duty of the exchange editor. It will be our endeavor to speak with all fairness and impartiality, and if at times we hit rather hard it will nevertheless be with good intentions.

One of the most striking exchanges, from a typographical point of view, on our table, is the *Coup d'Etat*, Knox College, Galesboro. In neatness of "get up" it cannot easily be surpassed and the tone of its editorials and articles is all that could be desired.

We are in receipt of the first number of the *St. John's College Magazine*, and read with pleasure the article on "University Confederation." It is a clear and unbiased statement of the question, and as such is worthy of study. With advantage to the *Magazine* more space could be given to items particularly of interest to the students.

The following exchanges have also been received:—*Portfolio, Delaware College Review, Student Life, Adelphean, Educational Monthly, Tarqum, College Rambler, College Transcript, Notre Dame Scholastic, Lehigh Burr, Colby Echo, University Herald, University Gazette, Acta Victoriana, Varsity, Nassau Literary Magazine.*

One of our most regular and most respected exchanges is the *Delaware College Review*. It is admirably conducted, and though rather small in size, there being only ten pages of reading matter, yet it is rather "quality than quantity." The article "War and Intemperance," is an excellent statement of the comparative ravages of war and liquor. It is well written and very interesting.

THE CONCURSUS.

THE most Ancient and Honorable the Concurus Iniquitatis et Virtutis was reorganized this year at a meeting held in the Sanctum on the 2nd. A large number of the Senior year were present and the following officers were elected:

SENIOR JUDGE—J. M. McLean.

JUNIOR JUDGE—W. A. Logie.

CROWN ATTORNEYS—
 { H. N. Dunning,
 J. J. Maclellan,
 F. R. Parker.

CLERK—S. Goodwin.

LORD HIGH SHERIFF—W. A. Cameron.
 { H. P. Thomas, (Chief.)

CONSTABLES—
 { H. Pirie,
 J. White,
 Ed. Pirie,
 J. Minnes.

The Concurus is now one of the regular institutions of the College, and the respect shewn to it by Faculty and students is an evidence that it is something more than a mere meeting for sport at the expense of the prisoner. The court keeps a paternal eye on the doings of all the students and even the grave and reverend Senior is amenable to its laws if he should so far forget himself as to transgress college traditions.

*DIVINITY*HALL.*

WORK has now got under way. The majority of the students are back, many of them looking as if mission work had agreed with them, and returned them better than they came. If we may judge from the tokens of the people's good will which several have received, their work has been satisfactory and beneficial. However, mission work is now over, and they are back at the Hall to study. That a finished education should be one of the main objects of every student in Theology was well and sensibly laid before the student by Dr. Mowat, in his opening lecture on "The Importance of Sanctified Learning." He showed clearly that Christianity and learning are not antagonistic, but on the contrary the former is a great incentive to the acquisition of the latter. He stated and proved,

1. That religion increases the amount of knowledge in a community.
2. That religion imparts to gifted minds a desirable moderation and soberness.
3. That religion makes general knowledge more useful.
4. That enjoyment afforded by mental cultivation is dependent on religion.
5. And that religion gives a significance to all intellectual efforts.

*Y.*M.*C.*A.*

THE above Association has commenced the session as enthusiastically as formerly. The Friday afternoon meetings are well attended. Much good is expected to result from the visit of Mr. Wishart, Travelling Secretary of the Inter-Collegiate Y. M. C. A. He emphasized the need of personal dealing among the students, and the great importance of a thorough acquaintance with the Bible in order to be truly successful in winning souls. He also urged upon the members the necessity of bringing the claims of foreign missions before the Arts students at least once a month. It is only when we have our doctors, lawyers and merchants thoroughly alive to this work, that the means will be forthcoming to carry it on successfully. Mr. Wishart gave a review of the College Y. M. C. A. work. The movement was set on foot Dec. 10th, 1876, by a few young men in a small room in Princeton. Now there are 218 College associations in the States, and 10 in the Dominion. The work has grown gradually, and still it is but feebly begun. There is an urgent call for consecrated young men to take the position of General Secretaries. At present there are only about 500 young men engaged in this work in the States and Canada. These are doing all in their power to influence young men to lead better lives, but sad to say we find nearly 500,000 engaged as bar-tenders and saloon-keepers helping to lead them on to ruin.