

EXCHANGES.

OUR last and June number, being already dedicated to commencement exercises, we now take upon ourselves the pleasantly sad duty of greeting our friends for the last time this year. The kindly feeling that hitherto has existed between our Exchanges and ourselves, now that the year is closing, is a source of great satisfaction. The consciousness of having at least striven to perform impartially the duties of a critic, is ours; and we are happy in being able to remark, also, that the criticisms we have received from others have been open, honorable and just.

OUR friend of the exchange column in the *Dalhousie Gazette*, in his farewell notices, seems to have been quite overcome by the memory of the past, and here and there betrays an endeavor to smooth over, with palliating reflections, several rather rough experiences. His "polemic disposition" must have led him into sundry difficulties. The *Gazette* has always been an interesting and sprightly semi-monthly, and one that not only students but outsiders could peruse with pleasure.

THE *Queen's College Journal*, with its lengthly but well worked up editorial department, ranks first, we think, among the college organs on this side of the line. We are not widely enough acquainted to speak with certainty of those on the other side. Whatever it may say or do, the *Journal* always preserves its dignity and self-respect.

THE *Argosy* certainly deserves great credit for the excellence of its literary articles. Its essays are invariably good, its locals witty, and its jokes are not so personal or profound but that those unacquainted with the "inner life" of the Sackville College may understand and appreciate.

THE *White and Blue* is to be gratulated upon having kept up the earnest, yet jovial spirit with which it started. When it came

upon us first with such a burst of energy we were inclined to reflect upon the old saying, "a new broom sweeps clean." However, we will not be overhasty in offering our congratulations, as the paper is as yet only a year old.

Speaking of our American friends, as we said before, we are not widely acquainted, but of those that visit our Exchange Table we have every reason to be proud. Such journals as the *Syracuse University Herald*, the *Richmond College Messenger*, the *Notre Dame Scholastic*, reflect great credit upon their editors and the institutions with which they are connected, and are deserving of more commendation than at present we have leisure or space to bestow.

ON the evening of the 13th, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. D. Rennie to Miss Jenny L. Davis, M. E. L., eldest daughter of J. G. Davis, Esq. Miss Davis was a member of Class '79. After the ceremony a very pleasant evening was spent by the numerous friends present, and at 2 a. m. the bridal party took the train for New York.

LAST week Miss Hattie Smith, a former student, surprised and delighted her friends by a flying visit. The evening following her arrival, being the birthday of Miss Smith, was celebrated by one of those grand college suppers, which are always thoroughly enjoyed and duly appreciated on such state occasions. The next day, amid the regrets of her numerous friends, Miss Smith bade farewell to all in the college, which so recently had been her home.

MR. COUSIN, conservator of the Carnavalet Library, has presented that institution with a rare book entitled the "Commentaries of William of Paris on the Epistles and Gospels of the Year" (1465). It is bound in leather. A chain about 8 inches long, by which it was fastened to the reading stand, according to the custom of the times, is still an appendage of the book. The fastening of books was a precaution against theft.