"Never has England been able to turn to a subject who was more willing to do for England, to pledge his learning, oratory and sentiment more sincerely in behalf of his country, than to Gladstone. No voice was more influencing than his in national affairs."

Besides the above-mentioned, we beg to acknowledge re-

ceipt of the following:

"Abbey Student," "Acta Victoriana," "Adelphian," "Agnetian Monthly," "Argosy," "Allisonia," "Academic Herald," "Assumption College Review," "Echoes From the Pines," "Educational Review," "Geneva Cabinet," "Georgetown College Journal," "Hya Yaka," "Holy Cross Purple," "O.A.C. Review," "Ottawa Campus," "Pharos," "Rosary Magazine," "Solanian," "St. Mary's Angelos," "St. Mary's Chimes," "Villa Shield," "Vox Collegii."

## Books and Reviews.

The Nineteenth Century for January has an interesting article on the present constitional crisis in Great Britain. The following are among some of the points developed.

To abolish the House of Lords would be to leave the people

to the mercy of an omnipotent House of Commons.

As the strength of a chain depends on the weakest link, so the reputation of the British Upper House depends on the character of its least reputable members.

There exists the paradox that, while the individual opinions of its leading members command respectful attention, the collective opinion of the Lords counts for little.

Examples of bi-cameral legislation: — Greece, Honduras, First Protectorate Parliament of England, Legislative Assembly in France.

The universal consent of mankind has been that there should exist two chambers.

The constitutions of the federal governments of Australia and South Africa, which were compiled only after reviewing the systems of the past, have both a second chamber.

The Review of Reviews, for February, would solve the difficulty of the Lords in a novel manner. When parliament has been dissolved the House of Lords as a body ceases to exist. It has no right to re-assemble until summoned by the King after the return of the new government. This is done by the issuing