

## EXCHANGES.

In this month's exchange notices, we welcome quite a number of new friends; old friends are of course more interesting, but the interchange of several numbers is quite sufficient to establish at least an agreeable acquaintanceship between College organs.

The *Kings College Record*, from Windsor, U. S., contains an excellent editorial on the subject of "Reform in Spelling." In it the advantages and disadvantages attendant upon a change in orthography are clearly shown. We agree with the writer in his opinion that the benefit accruing from such a change would be altogether inadequate to the injury. On another page of the paper the editorial is laughably illustrated by a specimen of the spelling of olden times when "etymology yielded to convenience."

The first number of the *Dalhousie Gazette* which we have had the pleasure of reading, is quite a racy one. Two articles, one on the College advertisement board, under the title of "Ecce," and the other on "Noses," afforded us considerable amusement. Sines and co-sines seem to figure as frequently in the "Inner Dalhousie" life as they probably do in the trigonometry class.

The *Roanoke Collegian* believes in cramming, but after making this statement, hastens to limit the application of the word. The cramming it advocates is hardly what might be included under a generally accepted definition of the term. It says of it, "This process should go on day by day," throughout the session, and is in reality the doing of the appointed work at the appointed time, what is universally considered as the legitimate occupation of all college students; whereas the cramming process is universally condemned.

We take up the *Notre Dame Scholastic*, and read on the first page, "Voltaire: By Æquitas: As a Leader of Public Opinion." Æquitas may or may not be a leader of public opinion, for all we know, but we were a little surprised at his stating it in conec-

tion with the title of his essay. We supposed that he would have preferred his position to have been inferred from the quality of his opinions! However, although this statement raised our expectations as to what would follow, we were not disappointed, for the ideas and opinions found in the article were really excellent. Then, we were somewhat astonished at the sentiments expressed in the opening editorial of the *Scholastic*, concerning holidays. We thought only Professors and Principals, and few indeed of them, looked upon vacations as "necessary nuisances."

The last two numbers of the *Queen's College Journal* are before us. The *College Concursum Iniquitatis*, in its struggle for the suppression of evil and evil doers, seems to be undergoing the contumely that so often falls to the lot of those who persist in doing their duty, no matter how disagreeable. It should not despair so long as it has a champion in the *Journal*. If ridicule is so powerful in rectifying wrong, the Court will not long remain in unmerited disgrace, for such allegories as that of "Aries and Taurus" cannot fail to laugh all reproach away.

One of the new friends whom we have the pleasure of placing on our exchange list is the *White and Blue*, from Toronto. It is a four-page paper, and appears once a week instead of once a month, as is usual with college papers. So far, it seems in a fair way to carry out the intention with which it was started.

The *College Journal*, from Wisconsin, is also a new friend. We noticed that at the head of the first column, and just above the title of the poetry with which it opens, is the word *Poetry*. We were wondering whether the editor thought the word necessary to distinguish the versification from the prose around it.

We acknowledge the receipt of *The Richmond College Messenger*, *Acta Victoriana*, *Argosy*, *University Herald*, *Simpsonian*, and *Shattuck Cadet*.