

inserted, the editor, who is not well up in hyphens, has to scurry around after a dictionary to find out just what the writer did intend. Dashes, too, are troublesome in a piece of "copy," and should be used sparingly. On the principle that like produces like, these dashes will probably give rise to other "dashes" not desired in the editorial vocabulary.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Attention is called to the fact that Messrs. Donnell and Calhoun, whose photographs appeared in the last number of the JOURNAL, were undergraduates at the time of the debate against Varsity.

We have still to apologize to some of our contributors for the delay in connection with the publication of their articles.

The next number of the JOURNAL will contain an article by Miss Saunders on the history of the Queen's library.

"Copy" for the next two numbers should be ready not later than Friday of each second week.

The Sunday afternoon addresses in Convocation Hall have been of a very high order. The last two speakers were Professors Jordan and Ross.

Dr. Richardson's generosity in offering a prize of ten dollars in books for the best elocutionary effort this session was warmly appreciated.

Prof. Stevens has completed his second course of lectures in elocution, and has added something to the excel-

lent reputation he won here earlier in the session. Those who attended the lectures are very desirous of having the benefit of the Professor's training next year. It is earnestly hoped that lectures in the highly important subject of elocution will form part of the sessional programme from this time forward.

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INTER-YEAR DEBATES.

THE first and last of the series of inter-year debates was given at an open meeting of the Alma Mater on March 7th. The contest was between the years of '04 and '05 and resulted in a victory for the latter. The subject under discussion was "Resolved that the Monroe Doctrine is in the best interests of the South American Republics." The affirmative was taken by the sophomore year, supported by Messrs. Black and W. L. Laird; while the representatives for the junior year were Messrs L. P. Chambers and W. A. Kennedy. The judges were Messrs. Beckstedt, McLeod and Philp.

On the whole the debate which was presented was of a high order, and was carried on in true gentlemanly fashion. As the judges remarked in giving the decision the speakers for '04 outshone their opponents in their manner of presentation. The leader of the negative in particular manifested a good deal of debating ability. His arguments were presented in a clear and forcible style. The second speaker, Mr. Kennedy, seemed quite at home with his subject and left a very favorable impression upon the audience. The debaters on the affirmative side had their subject well in hand; but were lacking in style and delivery.