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There are two ways of working for the success of a college paper. The first is to subscribe promptly and pay your subscription regularly. The second and by no means inferior to the first, is to aid in providing interesting and instructive literary matter. Now in the latter respect we have two requests to make. The first is to request our alumni to send us notes or articles of general interest pertaining to college life during their residence here. We hope ere long to be able to present to our readers sketches of the classes of past years in Ottawa College. But this will be impossible without the active co-operation and assistance of the alumni, and we confidently rely upon them in the matter. Now, secondly, we have many readers in distant parts of the globe—the OWL visits every continent—will not some of our friends in Australia, or South Africa, in Ceylon, or even the British Isles favor us with articles descriptive of the life and customs of the people amongst whom they live and work? The columns of the OWL shall be ever open to the contribution of friends or alumni.

Our esteemed contemporary the *'Varsity*, of Toronto University advocates the formation of an intercollegiate press

association. Now *'Varsity*, from its position as representative of a leading Canadian institution, is entitled to speak with considerable weight on matters relating to University thought and doings. Still on debatable questions *'Varsity*, in common with all other College journals, is obliged to make out a case and support it with solid arguments. The advantage which *'Varsity* urges would accrue from this Association seem to us to be more than counterbalanced by the almost insuperable obstacles in the way, while a judicious and improved management of the present system would tend to obtain the same results with much less labor. Then there is always the great danger of those associations being used to further aims entirely outside the spheres of college life or at least to foster the pet schemes of the most influential. Until *'Varsity* supplements the list of advantages to be gained we cannot say that we strongly favor an inter-collegiate press association.

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The 13th of November saw the shadows of death close in around a zealous and saintly worker in the missionary field of God's Church. On that day Rev. Daniel H. Barber, O.M.I., surrounded by his sorrowing brothers in religion, exchanged the trials of earth for the joys of Heaven.

Rev. Father Barber was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1847. His father was a prosperous merchant, and an ardent disciple of Father Matthew, whose principles he strongly advocated in lectures in the neighborhood of Dublin. The young Daniel generally accompanied his father on these tours and became enthusiastic in the cause of temperance. On the occasion of a lecture at Inchicore by his father, he met some priests of the Oblate order there and seems to have thereupon decided to join that congregation. Having finished his collegiate course at Marion Square College, Dublin, he made his profession as an Oblate at Autun, France, in