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HE reception with which the first number of ASTRUM ALBERTI met was fully up to our expectations, and we are pleased to state that the prospect is certainly encouraging. We have been favorably mentioned by the press, and a number of our friends have shown their approval in a more tangible form-a subscription. We have felt in the past that Albert College was in need of something to bind her graduates more closely to her, and give them information with regard to what is going on about College. Our journal may be made to supply this want, if all will assist. We have undertaken the task of editing, feeling our incapability, and knowing that much time must be devoted to this work which could with profit be spent at our regular studies. We ask the co-operation of all interested in Old Albert. Contributions will be most thankfully received, and we trust that our friends will not wait for a personal invitation to contribute. We will do what we can to make the ASTRUM interesting and instructive, and will confidently look for success.

A NUMBER of exchanges have already been received, for which we tender thanks. *Queen's College Journal* was the first to greet us, and we wish especially to mention the kindness with which we were treated by the Manager of that journal. It is our wish that the most cordial feelings may always exist between our exchanges and ourselves.

(HARTER Day will be observed this year in the usual manner. The Rev. R. I. Warner, B.A., is expected to preach the University sermon at 3 P.M.; and the Historical Society's Exhibition will be given in the evening. We will endeavor to give a full account of the proceedings in our next number.

OUR Secretary, Mr. Lillie, will be "at home" all this month, and will be most happy to receive callers. If it is impossible for you to call, send him your card accompanied by the amount of subscription for the ASTRUM. Such attentions not only cheer him, but cause our pen to run more easily and will give you a consciousness that you are assisting a good cause.

W E notice a growing tendency among the Undergraduates to drop "the doleful gown." Especially is this noticeable among the Senior Sophisters, whose dignity and superior knowledge should be proof against such carelessness. Although the gown may not be a necessary appendage to an Undergraduate, yet in a college with a mixed attendance, as we have, it is very useful as a distinction between matriculated and non-matriculated students. We would suggest that the College Council enforce the regulation requiring Undergraduates to appear at prayers and lectures in Academic costume.

IT is our intention to make of the Astrum a medium of communication between the College and its friends. We hope to do our part in letting our friends know what is going on about College,