

and elegant, the last being a pathetic "Lover's Complaint," the two former short, philosophic poems whose titles are fair indices to their style and matter.

The College Observer, published monthly at Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, P.E.I., is an unpretentious eight-page pamphlet, enterprising and quite readable. It is almost American in its progressiveness. An article headed "1916" in the "Looking Backward" style fortells the abolition of Greek and curtailment of Latin study. We commend the enterprise and hardihood of the *Observer*, and foretell that it will appreciate the wisdom of the ages, and advocate the retention of the classics in the college curriculum.

The *Collegian* of Mount St. Joseph College, Baltimore, is a welcome visitor. The winter crusade of our Hockey team has carried the name and fame of Queen's far south of the Old Ontario Strand. As the *Collegian's* exchange column is more sarcastic than considerate we may speak freely. The *Collegian's* vocabulary, grammar, spelling and punctuation are decidedly original and American. The articles are clear, all dealing with American subjects, and are, probably, very interesting to Americans. To us the most interesting feature is an article on "Authorship in the South Before the War." Mount St. Joseph College is conducted by the Xaverian brothers and resembles a Canadian high school rather than a college. "Special attention is given to mathematics and English (?) without neglecting the classics." We may hope then that the *Collegian* will gradually become more orthodox in etymology and syntax.

We are pleased to receive the *Pennington Seminary Review*. Pennington Seminary is a preparatory school for the University of Princeton, as well as a normal school and commercial college. As a high school paper, the *Review* is entirely admirable, and the local news is excellent and sometimes witty. But we think the *Review* is too ambitious. High school pupils are hardly capable of dealing with "True Courage," "The Danger of Instruction," "Is Ours the Greatest Age in History," and similar weighty subjects. Something of bombast and heroics—for which Mr. Carlyle is probably to blame—might also be profitable eliminated.

The *Review* is excellent of its kind, and deserves all praise, but the contrast between aim and achievement is very sadly felt.

The *Buff and Blue* is published semi-quarterly during the college year by the students of Gallaudet College, Washington, D.C., a deaf-mute college. Nothing literary is attempted, but the March number contains a remarkable article on the faculty of admiration, somewhat in the style of Carlyle,

with copious quotations. As a medium of college news the *Buff and Blue* is very bright and fluent, but if it be a faithful reflection of college life, learning must be a very unassuming quality at Gallaudet, which boasts thirteen societies, and whose lady students are athletes and gymnasts.

The *Lotus*, of Kansas City, is our latest visitor from the West. Though not published by any college, its purpose is to encourage original work by undergraduates in the West. It is artistic as well as literary, and contains some pretty but rather gaudy sketches. The poetry is not a brilliant success—under-graduate poetry seldom is. The prose tales are varied and original, but the style and matter do not commend themselves to us. The best feature is the critical commentary on current literature. It is published semi-monthly.

The surplus of last year's *Varsity* was \$200, not \$2.00.

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A LITTLE bird sends a report of the last meeting of the M.M.P.A. After voting \$10 to the *JOURNAL* as a slight token of the society's appreciation of the faithful record of marriages, elections and other protective bonds, the president presented his annual address. He expressed satisfaction with the unparalleled growth of the association since its inception, the number of felicitous unions consummated during the session, and the general interest awakened among the students in its most philanthropic projects. The babies' midnight choir has proved so attractive that the appliance for producing harmony out of infants' "crying for the light" will be patented, with a special view to its introduction into railway cars and steamboats. No "other language than a cry" is necessary for the most exquisite musical effects. The salary of the master of ceremonies should be quadrupled and the grand matchmaker granted a commission of at least 2½% on all wedding cake. The outlook for the future is very bright, '99 undergraduates in Arts, and all the Divinities but one, besides 59 Medicals, having filled in application forms. Of these 250 have proved satisfactory, and on a very modest calculation 200 will be admitted to all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of the order within the next four years. He recommended that Cupid should be furnished with a new bow, a pair of skates, a million X rays, as well as a tandem bicycle, that pneumatic tires be worn on all M.M.P.A. perambulators, that the outward aims and objects of the association be presented to the workingmen's club, that delinquent Profs. be severely and severally dunned, and that an inter-collegiate league be formed.