

journalism. In this course as established, the instruction is entirely practical, the students and the professor in charge forming a class, the latter acting as managing editor and the former as his reporters. Under such a plan the instruction imparted is valuable to those intent upon pursuing such a course. True, few of the journalists of our day have had the benefit of such a course, but it may be safely accredited to their lack of opportunity.

When such a course comes to be more widely established we may expect to see many more of our young men laboring in the great field of popular journalism.

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THE students have succeeded in sustaining the foot-ball team in the face of discouragement from some quarters to which they had looked for much encouragement. The exceptionally wet season combined with the military drill has made it difficult to develop a team upon the field. This has been overcome by the energy and perseverance of the boys. The next question was the one which has been urging itself upon our attention more strongly each year: how can we push our sports beyond the merest local limits, and extend our relations in this particular with other colleges? Financial aid is necessary. After due canvas the students responded creditably, also most of the authorities connected with the college. But there are some, whose word of encouragement or cordial contribution of means would have gone far in aiding, who have not done what we think could have been reasonably expected. We speak from the standpoint of the college student of the last few years, but we believe we also express the sentiment shown in the policy of our most live and growing colleges when we say that success in sports means larger accessions of students. Are not the efforts made in this direction by our students worthy of all encouragement? That we are deficient in inter-collegiate relations is

against the college. That we can successfully compete with other colleges we do not believe any one doubts. Let us then establish a firm custom to send our athletes into the inter-collegiate arena. This fall it is the foot-ball eleven which especially interests us; next spring it will be the base-ball team; and we think it a matter of chagrin if both can not be fully encouraged and sustained in a trip abroad; any half-hearted support, much more any denunciation, which such a movement meets at the hands of the college authorities must be hostile to an effort in a direction which can only be called proper, and can not but make the students more impatient with their unsatisfactory position. A good advertising investment would be the investment of \$200 for the establishment of an inter-collegiate reputation in foot-ball and base-ball.

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THE study in Political Science substituted for work in Physics by the senior class is a step in the right direction. The General Science students do not undervalue a special knowledge in the various departments of Physics, but for their purpose of education they could wish that the present substitution of work had been made complete. The demand for this change is not temporary, but permanent. The fields of investigation suggested by Dr. Atherton only serve to awaken a greater interest, and subsequent classes in the General Science course must necessarily insist upon the advantages which this change promises, for they are brought the more to see the benefits of the newly expanded field, and at the same time to feel that the former, or even the present burden of Physics is disproportionately large.

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SUCH a formidable array of argument in favor of an extension of the Presidential term beyond four years, as appeared lately in the *New York Herald* would seem to claim for