

remuneration Wm. E. Gladstone will be known as the John the Baptist, or the forerunner of the Messiah. How sublime will be the picture when we see these poor unfortunates realizing what they for so long have hoped and prayed for, see the sweetest scenery ever eye reposed on, under their own care and feel that their prostrate land is standing erect among the nations fearless and unfettered. She will then have what every State in our Union has, what Canada has, and will then be prepared to stand to some degree the criticism offered upon her.

Oh, Rulers of Ireland, why have you not sooner learned to lead that people by love whom all your severity has been unable to drive.

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OUR DUTY.

ONE of the important duties of every college student is to develop his faculties as a writer, and the only means of so doing is, as in all other development of inherent and dormant qualities, to practice. For only by practice can the requirements of a writer be made apparent to himself. No matter how excellent the material is, which is stored within the mind, it will contain foreign material that must be extracted before the substance has utility. Like the crude petroleum, it must be extracted and then refined. Ideas, like ore must be taken from the mine before they can be used. It is a duty a student owes to others as well as to himself to be able to express himself clearly and to the point.

At scientific schools the opportunities and inducements for such a course are few, and this is the principle reason our scientific graduates have not the degree of polish that is noticeable in the classical student. Therefore the former student should make an extra effort to train those essential faculties which he invariably overlooks. We see many students who can master with ease the most difficult

problem in higher mathematics, but cannot write a presentable essay. The fault is not because his talent lies all in one direction, but because he has applied all his energies on those studies which he considers are pertaining exclusively to his line, and as a consequence he steps forth into the world as an abnormally developed man.

The opportunities to write even in a college like ours, are many if we would but see them. The society paper, the college journal, and even the daily press are ready to receive interesting and well written articles. The society paper is the most accessible and is always open to contributors. Here the kindly criticism of the proper officers should point out the faults, and the members should profit by his remarks. Here you may be heard and not seen. "You may see yourself as others see you," without being subjected to the embarrassment of public gaze. The college journal is always the recipient of productions appropriate for its columns and a standing invitation is extended to all who wish to contribute. Here the criticism is more rigid, but one should not be discouraged if his first attempt should be a failure, for the second no doubt will be better and the future triumph will be directly proportioned to his persistence. The college paper represents our ability, our tastes, our habits and the general tone of the college, hence all students should put forth their best efforts that we may be properly estimated.

The colors of some of the larger colleges are: Harvard, crimson; Princeton, orange and black; Amherst, white and purple; Cornell, cornelian and white; Columbia, blue and white; University of Michigan, blue and maize; Vassar, pink and gray; Williams, royal purple; University of Virginia, cardinal and gray; Johns Hopkins University, blue and black; University of Pennsylvania, blue and red, and Yale blue.