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EVERY college man owes to his Alma Mater a large amount of patriotism, and he should feel it his duty to take part in all those movements which tend to advance her interests.

The man who goes through a college course with his mind solely on his text-books, and who takes no part in the actions and the movements of his fellow-students, loses, indeed, one half the benefit which is to be derived from a college career.

The true college man, while he makes it his purpose to derive the greatest possible benefit

from study, at the same time associates freely with his fellow students and interests himself in their enterprises. The college paper is the exponent of the body of the students, and as such, it is the duty of every college man, who has any college patriotism whatever, to aid in its support.

There are in our college to-day, we regret to say, about fifty men who do not subscribe to the FREE LANCE. While a few have good reasons for not doing so, yet the great majority, when asked to aid in the support of the paper, plead that some friend takes it, and that they can read his. We cannot but ask those men to cast aside such narrow-minded views, to remember that the FREE LANCE is the student's paper,—not the staff's, and, that as such, it should be supported by them. Wake up, and show your patriotism for your college in a most practical way, by subscribing to the LANCE.

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THILE the Athletic Association cleared a small sum of money by the recent lecture which was given by Col. Sanford in the chapel, we regret to say that it did not clear as much as it should have. Whose fault was it? The question is easily answered by any one who attended the lecture and saw that not more than one half the college men were present. Surely, then, it was the fault of the other half. It is unfortunate, indeed, that more college men cannot attend such entertainments than do. The recent lecture afforded an opportunity for the students to not only hear an able and interesting address, but also materially aid the Athletic Association. It was neglected by a very large number. We feel sorry for them indeed, for surely the man who has no more interest than that in college affairs is to be pitied. There is yet time for improvement, however, and we hope