

The instruction is not only practical, but theoretical, and prepares the student for entrance to college in advanced standing as well as gives those who cannot take a full college course a better education than the common schools afford.

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THE well-arranged schedule for the coming foot-ball season speaks well for the popularity of our team in the college world. The schedule, if carried out as now arranged, will doubtless be highly satisfactory, and will tend to put the college and its athletes before the public in a conspicuous manner. May the team represent us as worthily as those of the past few years.

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THIS issue of the LANCE will probably find most of its subscribers enjoying a well-earned vacation at home. For those of us who have been disappointed, perhaps discouraged, with our year of hard work at college, let us give just a word of suggestion: Don't give up! This may have been a first year. If so, you are only now prepared to work intelligently, for the most brilliant student has at some time to learn *methods*. Fortunate, indeed, is he who learns this in the beginning, and ever after builds upon so solid a foundation. Do not fear the competition of the classroom, even though you cannot lead. Remember, that the brilliancy of a planet does *not* depend upon its surface! Master thoroughly the lessons taught by your experience, return to college, resolve to do your best, and you will not fail. With apologies for the little sermon, the LANCE wishes all a happy vacation and a safe return to State next September.

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“ EXCELSIOR ! ”

The beams of light were rising fast,  
As through the college hallways passed  
A youth, who bore 'neath sweater nice  
A queer machine (?), a strange device,  
Excelsior!

His brow was sad; his eye beneath  
From sleep had taken its sad leave;  
For that very day it announced  
A long “exam.,” a wrong, pronounced  
Excelsior!

In years to come he saw the light  
Of higher fires gleam warm and bright;