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EDITORIAL

What is this much talked of and mysterious psychological phenomena of the student called college spirit? It is not to fail to attend every foot ball game (the marking out of the field, etc., will furnish employment enough to admit every poor boy in school); it is not to be ignorant of the date of the next game after it has been billed two or three days; it is not to yell when our team is gaining and to groan when it is losing; it is not for fifteen fellows to turn out for practice when the coach has asked for twenty-two; it is not to shut yourself up in your room and get pale faced and round shouldered; it is not to go into the class room unprepared and flunk. College spirit is simply that quality of the student's character which makes him a good all round college man. It makes a fellow manly, loyal, gallant, popular, scholarly, honest and upright. It may play an

innocent prank, but it never prompts a base deed.—COLLEGIAN.

"It is generally said that at college the most valuable part of the education is the associations—what the boys teach and learn from each other. Certain it is that this is the most lasting and important part of the course. Also, it is certain that it is the part to which the least attention is paid."

Or as Emerson has tersely expressed it: "Send your boy to college, and the other boys will educate him."

It takes about four years to learn this truth, but we finally realize that our college-mates have more or less consciously given us the "giftie" "to see ourselves as other see us." Our rough edges have been wearing away, and we owe a debt to the men who have "from many a blunder freed us."

We certainly should improve from our college associations, for we have had the view-points of seven generations of college men. With what reverence we remember the men who were seniors when we were freshmen! With what delight we think of the criticisms on college life of those who are freshmen when we are seniors! Every one of these seven ages of which our own class is the center has broadened and enriched our experience, and we finally realize that "the other boys have educated us." How well we remember three years ago the arguments of our senior roommates! One was a Republican and the other a Democrat, and they spent no little time in looking up arguments that would overwhelm the other. Can we ever forget the arguments with our own classmates on determinism, on religion, on our aims for life after graduation? And we hold it truth that the man who does not talk over his lessons and his problems with his fellows is neglecting a vital force in his education.—The Brunonian.

COLLEGE ORBIT.

Leland Stanford's new athletic field, when completed, with the grandstands, track and field house, will cost between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars.

A southern college requires the members of the various athletic organizations to wear distinct sweaters, to differentiate them from each other. Different monograms also aid in this distinction.

The faculty of the University of Texas has forbidden Greek letter fraternities to begin their pledging until November 1. Measures will be taken at times to modify the vigor of the rushing season.—Ex.

The Rev. Edward James Gray, D. D., who had occupied the position of President of Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport for thirty-one years died at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Friday, Jan. 20.

Forty-two men were taken on the Western Christmas trip of the Yale University Glee and Mandolin Clubs. The clubs traveled in two special sleeping cars with a baggage car attached and covered over 4,000 miles on the trip.

College life is resplendent with attractive features, and wise indeed is the young man who can so select his course, so divide his time among the various activities, that when he comes to graduation he will experience no feelings of regret concerning his investments of time.—Ex.

The New York Tribune has offered a prize of \$25 for the best essay not exceeding eight hundred words in length, setting forth the benefits which result to colleges and to the student body from college fraternities, and another prize of \$25 for the best similar essay against college fraternities.