

For the past few weeks the staff and contributors have been doing a considerable amount of work preparing the Easter edition of the *Red and White*; and now we send our material to the press hoping that our efforts, after the printer has added the finishing touches, will meet with a favorable reception among our readers. The best means we have of knowing how our magazine is being received, what are its faults and what its good points, is through the exchange departments of other college magazines. We therefore acknowledge our appreciation of any constructive criticism received in the past, and solicit more for the future.

In the following sections we will attempt to show our appreciation of and offer our suggestions to a few publications.

ST. MARY'S REVIEW, St. Mary's College, Brockville, Ont.

It is a custom among the Students of St. Mary's to embody their literary efforts in a yearly publication known as *The Review*. It is a very popular magazine on our shelf and we attribute this popularity to the literary department. In the edition published last year, much space was devoted to the consideration of prominent English writers and the outstanding characters of English literature. This type of composition is very commendable in a college magazine, but, if an occasional topic of current interest were discussed, the magazine would probably attract a greater variety of readers.

THE MITRE, University of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, P. Que.

The more closely one examines this publication the greater grows one's esteem of it. There is an old adage to the effect that one can always find what one looks for,

but we must state that we have searched sedulously for a flaw in *The Mitre* and have not found one. The organization of the magazine is after the best English tradition; and perhaps the briefest way to give our opinion of the material is to say that it, too, is after the best English tradition. The editorials are weighty; the articles and stories have true literary grace; the sports department is short but adequate; the exchange department offers criticisms that are fair and fearless. The reviews of new books make a valuable addition to the magazine. The only advice we would offer to the publishers of *The Mitre* is this: Keep your magazine just as it is.

THE ORACLE, London South Collegiate Institute, London, Ont.

The Editor and Staff offer their 1933 number of the Oracle to the reading public "to be read, criticised and liked" (they hope). We read it by obligation, we liked it by necessity, and we criticise it by choice. Numerous photographs in every line of college activities give zest to the magazine. Some improvement in the arrangement might be adopted to obviate the necessity of rummaging through the advertisements at the end of the book for the last few lines of each article. This, however, does not detract from the literary value of the articles; they were short, as a rule, but both the short stories and the ideas in the essays were original, with touches of laughable humor.

LOWER CANADA COLLEGE MAGAZINE, Montreal

The Students of Lower Canada College are certainly to be commended for their very entertaining January number. However, despite its general excellence, we believe it would have still greater appeal if less prominence were given to college activities and the space dedicated to a more extensive exchange section and to poetry, the complete absence of which constitutes the chief defect of the publication. Among the numerous and well-written essays and short stories, we liked especially, "Our Unknown Friends—Books" and "The Spring Garden Road Mystery." The eloquent tribute to Sir Arthur Currie formed a fitting prelude to the whole work.

THE TECH FLASH, Nova Scotia Technical College, Halifax, N. S.

The Science department of the *Tech Flash* shows that the writers are in their element when discussing subjects of experimental sciences. "Two-way Television" and "Ice and Aircraft" are examples of interesting and popular exposition. The one complaint we would make about

this section is that there is not enough of it.

The next most noticeable element is the humor; not the joke column proper, but the incidental wit scattered through the literary department; for example, in an article on wrestling we read, "The Flying Mare is accomplished by—after suitable apology—turning your back on your opponent seizing his head and wrist and throwing him over your shoulder. After four or five of these in rapid succession, the victim is ready to entertain practically any proposition."

THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY, St. Mary's Mission House

We shall not attempt to criticise this magazine, but wish simply to show our appreciation to its publishers, The Fathers of St. Mary's Mission House, Techny, Illinois. Of all publications which we receive, it has the greatest variety of literature, furnishing mental food for every member of the family.

SUM-HI-ECHO, Summerside High School, P. E. I.

The Summerside High School students have made their first contribution to our exchange department, and they are to be congratulated on their successful debut. The letter which accompanied the magazine was not the

least interesting part of the contribution.

A notable feature is the timely and well-written article dealing with the history of the school from its foundation up to the present. School activities, such as athletics, are well treated. A few short stories as well as some articles of public interest would improve the tone of the magazine.

Red and White gratefully acknowledges the following publications received since January:

Echoes from the Hill, Mount St. Bernard College, Antigonish, N. S.

China, St. Francis Xavier Seminary, Scarboro Bluffs, Ont.

The Canisius Quarterly, Canisius College, Buffalo, New York.

The Academy Broadcast, Halifax Academy, Halifax, N.S. The King's College Record, Univ. of King's College, Halifax, N. S.

The Argosy Weekly, Mount Allison University, Sackville, N. B.

The Gazette, Univ. of Western Ontario, London, Ont.

The Quarterly, College of New Rochelle, N. Y.

The Christian Family, St. Mary's Mission House, Techny, Illinois.

The Eikon, Redemptorist Fathers, 135 McCaul Street, Toronto, Ont.

The College Times, Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

The Challenger, Saint John Vocational School, St. John, N.B.

The Xaverian Weekly, St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N. S.

Dalhousie Gazette, Dalhousie University, Halifax, N. S.

The Taranakian, New Plymouth, New Zealand.

The Brunswickan, Univ. of New Brunswick, Fredericton, N. B.

Argus Monthly, Collegiate Library, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

Sum-Hi-Echo, Summerside High School, P. E. I.

Acadia Athenaeum, Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S.

But words are things, and a small drop of ink, Falling, like dew, upon a thought, produces
That which makes thousands, perhaps millions, think,
—Byron

Be noble and the nobleness that lives In other men, sleeping, but never dead, Will rise in majesty to meet thine own.

-Lowell.