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The exchanges we have before us are chiefly January and February numbers and they are all overflowing with the spirit and sentiment that the new year always brings. The year 1915 is now added to those that have been and while it has been a most bountiful one to us, we look forward with greater expectations to what 1916 has in store. For many of us the year 1916 will be our last in College, and now at the beginning of the year we feel that we are approaching the beginning of the end.

"THE XAVERIAN."

It is with much pleasure that we at last received a copy of the "Xaverian." We have been doing business now for some time and although we do not print our first number of "Red and White" until Xmas., yet other Colleges have been kind enough to send us copies of their monthlies though we were unable to acknowledge them until our Xmas number was issued. The "Xaverian" however, a copy of which we always highly treasure, did not see fit to do so and we thought that they had forgotten us altogether. But the "Xaverian' has at last arrived and now we feel that friendly communication has again been established.

The February number of this magazine maintains the high standard set in former years and contains besides poems, stories, college notes and jokes, many fine articles which are perhaps rather "sage and sober in tone." Taking this issue as a standard, the "Xaverian" is one of the finest monthlies we have seen this year and it is one of which St. Francis Xavier's College may well be proud.

"THE ARGOSY."

The January number of the "Argosy" is an excellent issue and it is replete with well-written stories and poems. One poem in particular "The Spires of Oxford" we have read many times before but it always seems to bring to our minds with greater force the fact of this cold grim war.

The poem "Dust" is an excellent sample of the poetry written by the young poet Rupert Brooke, who gave up his life for King and Country on Gallipoli peninsula.

"THE TEACHERS' MAGAZINE"

We have before us the first three numbers of this new magazine, which is issued by the Teacher's Association of Prince Edward Island, and these give us a fair idea of its worth; to the teacher the magazine will be very helpful and its staff is made up of such a galaxy of noted educators that any question in regard to teaching may be answered at a moment's notice. The magazine has passed the experimental stage and we look forward with great expectations to its future, for if the teachers take the interest in it that they should, it will undoubtedly be a great source of inspiration to them.

THE "OBERLIN LITERARY MAGAZINE."

We are very much pleased to receive the January and February numbers of the "Oberlin Literary Magazine." This monthly has been an absentee from our desk for some time and to meet it again brings back old time memories. The monthly is as its name implies a literary magazine and a high class one at that. The January number contains a very fine picture of Rupert Brooke of whose poetry we had occasion to make mention in another exchange.

THE "MEMORARE."

We have before us the February number of "Mt. St. Bernard Memorare." The articles and stories of this issue are all well written and their authors show a

fine grasp of detail as well as a thorough knowledge of their subjects. We congratulate the ladies of Mt. St. Bernard on putting forth such a scholarly quarterly as the "Memorare."

"THE ACADIA ATHENAEUM"

The Athenaeum is always welcomed at our desk and this is especially true of the March number, just received. This issue is one of the most interesting magazines we have seen for some time; its stories are very well written and its poetic selections well chosen. "The Quitter" is an excellent sample of the poetry written by Robert W. Service, our "Canadian Kipling." "This Canada of Ours," and "Canada's Heroes" are two poems which tend to inrcease in us that poetic spirit with which in war times we should be imbued. "His manhood," a story of the war, thrills us and shows what sterling qualities may rest in a heart which has never been awakened to the beauties of life, and how quickly, when this awakening comes, this manhood shows itself.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of the following exchanges,—St. Thomas Purple and Grey, U.N.B. Monthly, the Xaverian, Teachers' Magazine, The Argosy, King's College Record, Oberlin, Literary Magazine, McGill Daily, Acadia Athenaeum, L'Action Catholique, Mt. St. Bernard Memorare."

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Nations and empires flourish and decay, By turns command, and in their turn obey.

Never offer to teach fish to swim.

No entertainment is so cheap as reading, nor any pleasure so lasting.