

The hour is come when the Exchange editor must say farewell, a long farewell, to all the exchange magazines. In years past he has found them a source of pleasure and a well of information. They have become as old friends who are expected to put in a regular appearance. It is with sadness and a sense of loss that the Editor severs his connection with *Red and White* and bids farewell to its exchange magazines.

CRITICISM

Exchange magazines must be reviewed with a strictly critical eye for in no other way can a college better know the worth of its publication than by the judgments passed on it by other colleges. Yet it need not be destructive criticism since to correct and improve are the aims of the Exchange editor in commenting upon a magazine. Often severe criticism is not deserved.

"Ten censure wrong for one who writes amiss."

Therefore, in judging a magazine the reviewer must look for what is best in it and refrain from harping upon minor imperfections. Or as the poet puts it:

"A perfect judge will read each work of wit With the same spirit that the author writ: Survey the whole, nor seek faults to find Where nature moves, and rapture warms the mind."

THE PATRICIAN HERALD

The *Herald* is one of our most faithful exchanges. We read each issue with pleasure. Gladly we note its improvements. The latest addition is a short-story section begun in the December issue.

The essay "What to Do," very fitting for the Easter edition, is the analysis of a graduating class in relation to the future careers of its members. The results of this analysis are surprising, for many graduates were either undecided or chose careers obviously unsuited to their

talents. This meant for the graduates a loss of several years in finding their proper places in life. In conclusion the author proposes as a practical remedy the use of periodical vocational tests to guide the student in selecting a suitable career.

THE CHALLENGER

This bi-monthly is written in a cheerful, buoyant style reminiscent of popular conversation before 1929 when people were full of confidence and ambition. In its energetic way it reports school sports and school news and it usually adds a humour column, several poems, and a short-story full of vim and action.

Your Coronation edition is excellent.

THE MITRE

The sudden interest of Canadian students in the future relations between Canada and England in the event of a war involving the mother country is reflected in the essays, "Canada's Foreign Policy," and "Canadian Student Peace Petition." In the latter essay the author criticizes the Peace Petition as being vague and capable of being construed as opposition to conscription for service abroad under any circumstances whatsoever.

"Sudden Death" by G. Murray is a delightful essay although it left us with unpleasant thoughts of what our

own demise might be.

An article on pacifism, "The Corn-fed Kid from the West" is worthy of comment. This young fellow died in the Great War along with three or four million others

to save the world, but his sacrifice was in vain:

"Poor kid? Of course. But perhaps he is lucky after all. He didn't live to see the beautiful ideals he fought for—'to make the world safe for Democracy,' 'to protect the rights of smaller nations,' 'a war to end wars,' proven to be the empty notes with which the Pious Pipers had lured so many kids like him to their deaths."

This magazine is definitely improving.

THE CHRONICLE, St. Joseph's Preparatory School

The highlight of the winter issue is an essay "The Music of the Church." It shows forth the wonderful power of the Gregorian Chant in converting and civilizing

the barbarians of sixth century Britain "Thus with music Augustine converted the Britons. On wings of song these rough tribes became gentle and eager for the word of God." The author then goes on to show the remarkable universality and uniformity of church music throughout the early Christian world.

The poetry is above the mediocre. Here is a tender thought in a few lines of the poem "My Mother."

"Her love so tender and so warm
I'll not find in another.
I wonder where God got the form
From which he made my mother."

"IN GENERAL"

The Xaverian Weekly has the best humour department—, "Tis just Hooey."

In the past year the College Times has greatly improved.

The Aquinian is a well written magazine replete with articles and essays but needs a few short-stories.

The magazine excelling most in literary effort is the Fordham Monthly.

In the *McMaster Quarterly* D. Broadhead again presents a weird tale, the story of a polite but intruding ghost.

In the same magazine is found a sincere vindication of 'abstract art' which "consists in creating an arrangement of forms which express an emotional conception."

One reviewer, in the *Canisius Quarterly*, said of "The People" by Carl Sandburg "It contains a lot of good honest thought, but don't put it between your volumes of Keats and Milton."

Red and White also gratefully acknowledges the following, hoping that they will return next year:

The Silhouette, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario.

La Vie Ecoliere, Rimouski College, Rimouski, Quebec.

L'Hebdo Laval, Laval University, Quebec City, Quebec.

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

Notre Dame, Marguerite Burgeoys College, Montreal.

St. Joseph's Lilies, St. Joseph's College, Toronto, Ont.

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

Eikon, Redemptorist Fathers, Toronto, Ont.

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

Green and White, De La Salle College, Manila, Philippine Islands.

Tech Flash, Nova Scotia Technical College, Halifax, N. S.

Taranakian, New Plymouth Boy's School, New Zealand.

King's College Record, King's College, Halifax, N. S.

Kensington Oracle, Kensington High School, P. E. I.

The Quarterly, New Rochelle College, New Rochelle, New York.

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

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

Acadia Athenaem, Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S.

Labarum, Clark College, Dubuque, Iowa, U. S. A.

The Review, St. Mary's College, Brockville, Ont.

St. Mary's Journal, St. Mary's College, Halifax, N. S.

Danubian Review, Hungarian Frontier Readjustment League, Budapest, Hungary.

The Christian Family, Saint Mary's Mission House, Techny, Ill.

Holy Cross Purple, Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass.

