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Lord Bacon wrote: "Reading maketh a full man, conference a ready man, writing an exact man." Being in full accord with this thought, it has ever been the policy of the Law Journal, not only to encourage thorough reading of legal works and frequent discussion of legal subjects, but to offer inducements to all those who compete for honors in the field of legal journalism. It has always been our belief that no exercise is of greater value to one who would master this vast and illimitable science and become proficient in its pleading.

Pursuing this policy, we announced in a former issue of the Journal that a contest would be held for a prize presented to the editor by Bobbs-Merrill, law book publishers of Indianapolis, Ind. This book, "The Work of the Advocate," is a beacon unto the path of the inexperienced practitioner; it will serve to illuminate his passage through the difficult labyrinth that leads to success at the bar. We appreciate its donation.

Of those articles submitted for criticism by the committee of the faculty, two stand out above the rest. The prize was awarded to Miss Lena M. Phillips’ paper, "Our Chief Executive," a scholarly review of the book of the same title by Judge William H. Taft, of Yale. Miss Phillips, whose home is Nicholasville, is a young woman of exceptionally strong mental capacity, and since matriculating in the Law College has always held her own with the keenest intellects in her class. This article will be found on another page of this issue.

The ranking article was that of Nat H. Aaron, of Liberty. His subject, "The Power of Equity to Take Jurisdiction Because of a Multiplicity of Actions at Law for Personal Injuries Growing Out of a Single Tort," is an able presentation of this important subject in its many ramifications, and will appear in a later edition of the Journal. We feel it not out of order to call attention to the fact that Nat Aaron is one of our most painstaking and assiduous students, since it is not infrequent for the sun to set and night's candles to peep out upon Aaron still in the library poring over musty volumes of legal lore.
We hope that the next contest will bring out a larger number of better articles. Let us not forget the words of the great essayist and jurist who said: "Reading maketh a full man, conference a ready man, writing an exact man."

Dean W. T. Lafferty and Professor Reuben B. Hutcheraft, Jr., attended the annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools, held in Chicago, Illinois, during the Christmas holidays.

The National Convention of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association held in Lexington during the holidays was announced by the officers in charge "to be a more than expected success." About eight hundred students, delegates from other colleges, attended. Over half of the states in the Union and more than one hundred colleges were represented.

The annual debate between the Union and Patterson Literary Societies was held in Chapel, December 15th, 1916. The subject was "Resolved: That the United States Should Annex Mexico." The affirmative side was presented by Messrs. M. U. Conditt, F. O. Mayes and A. B. Crawford for the Patterson society. The negative side was presented by Messrs. Thos. L. Creekmore, J. J. McBrayer and A. L. Cole for the Union society. Judge Lyman Chalkley, Dean W. E. Rowe and Dean L. L. Dantzler acted as judges. The decision was given to the negative side. At the same time the Varsity debating team was selected, composed of Thos. L. Creekmore, J. J. McBrayer and A. L. Cole. This team will represent the University in a joint debate with Georgetown College, March twenty-third. Messrs. Creekmore and McBrayer are students in the Law Department and Mr. Cole is a student in the College of Agriculture.

Frank H. Ricketson, Jr., former business manager of the Journal, has accepted a position with the White and Myers Chautauqua System. Miss Lena M. Phillips has been elected by the Law Faculty to fill the position for the remainder of the year.