EDITORIAL NOTES.

ABSENCE.—During the months of July and August the editor was absent from his post, visiting the famous oil and coal regions of Pennsylvania. He also attended the "National Teacher's Association" at Harrisburg, and the "Grand Encampment of Knight's Templar of the United States" at Columbus, Ohio.

The information gathered from his explorations in the geological fields of that great commonwealth will we trust prove useful in another field of labor. While east, we visited the Rooms of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, and were kindly shown all the objects of general interest by the courteous librarian. The *Wampum*, given by the Indians to William Penn at the time of his first treaty at Philadelphia, was a peculiarly interesting relic, recently donated to the society by the decendants of the great Pacificator, and neatly framed for preservation and observation. Many other objects of interest of "olden times" are there preserved.

From this journey we have returned much recruited from the fatigues of a year of "hard work," with our love for our young and noble State and her institutions, greatly increased, and with a hearty good will in the future, as in the past, to devote our feeble talents to the development of her resources and the increased usefulness of her great Institutions—the University and Historical Society.

WANTED.—Journal of the Council Iowa Territory 1840, also Journal Constitutional Convention of Iowa 1846—Journal Legislative Council of Wisconsin, 1836.

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