

many additions, the new energies and activities, the University has been run with very commendable economy, an economy as great as is consistent with the effective work which it is so desirable that the University should accomplish. The Legislature should not fail to lend the much desired attention to this matter; it is not trivial, but worthy of the greatest consideration.

With the commencement of the present year there was a large increase of students, swelling the roll to a much greater number than it has ever before reached, with a force of professors, evincing the most complete familiarity with the topics and duties involved in their several departments, making the University better prepared to accomplish its work with greater effectiveness than ever before. We trust the Legislature will not fail to give the University its desired support, and may rest assured that an appropriation set aside for the University, will be wisely, economically and judiciously used.

THE SCIENCE OF WAR.

The military department soon promises to be one of the greatest attractions of the University. The Professor has proved himself capable and efficient, in the successful manner in which he has conducted this department. There has been many disadvantages, with which he has had to contend, making the work and patience which he has expended worthy of more encouragement than, surely, he has received.

The students have inclined to treat the matter as trivial, and to a large extent have failed to become members of this department, while many of those who have participated in the drill have looked upon it as a new variety of play, performing their duty with that interest and attentiveness, which is necessary to insure the teaching a success. While many have expressed their surprise to know that a military school was connected with

the University, they forget that the millennium has not yet come, that our wars are not yet ended, and it is now as absolutely necessary to prepare for war as it ever has been in the past, and even yet the old maxim should be remembered: "In times of peace prepare for war."

But this is apparent to all, those who have dreamt that peace had come, never more to reverberate the direful sounds of war, have awakened from their dreams, come to their senses, as they observed our country once more resisting on the verge of a civil war. A law passed by Congress donating lands for the establishment of the University requires Military Science to be taught. But as yet such a department has not been established by the legislature, leaving the Regents without necessary power to regulate the same, and until such action is taken by the legislature the success of this department will be impossible. The Governor, in his message, has invited the attention of the legislature to this fact, which, no doubt, will receive its much desired attention. With the present term commences the instruction in the Tactics. The faculty, knowing the benefits derived therefrom, have so arranged the studies, that all students may study Military Tactics, without inconvenience and conflict with other studies. This opportunity the students should not fail to make use of, and cultivate with equal care both mind and body and thus securing to yourself a higher and nobler manhood.

A GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Of the developments of our State, comparatively little is known, and what is known is the result of individual enterprise and energy on the part of a few individuals, among whom Prof. Aughey of the University has been the most prominent. The result of these private researches has been of great value to the State, in aiding its settlement, and in opening the coal beds, which have been developed from time to time.