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A sudden change in the management of the STUDENT brings us unexpectedly upon the journalistic stage. Our surprise however is but momentary. We glance at the periodicals around us, and recover, to realize in part, the responsibility of our position. Though somewhat inexperienced in the work to be accomplished, we nevertheless hope to learn from the attainments of others, and to improve by repeated efforts. Inexperience may be no excuse for an inferior journal, yet with the best of knowledge one may make a complete failure. Diligence may acquire a certain degree of perfection, while talent sleeps by the way.

The STUDENT thus far has been prosperous and progressive. With other college papers it compares favorably, and in this position we will endeavor to maintain it. As formily it will be conducted for the benefit of the students and in the interest of the University. It will be the champion of no single society or faction, but will be open to all connected with the institution.

It will not be our aim to confine the STUDENT strictly to the discussion of college topics; for we do not consider this alone to be the mission of a college journal.

As college life is but a preparation for practical life, so the college paper should tend to the discussion of practical themes.

We desire the STUDENT to be the representative of the students in their literary ability. But to this end we need their earnest support. There are many students in the University, who can and do write well; and could they realize the importance of a college journal and aid it accordingly, the question of sustaining it would at once be decided.

The STUDENT would indeed miss its aim were its contributors not to furnish their best productions. If one would achieve any measure of literary success, it is necessary that he spare neither labor nor pains.

Under the management of two editors-in-chief, the STUDENT enters upon a new career. Though there was some opposition to such a manner of conducting the paper and many misfortunes predicted, we shall endeavor to avoid all dangers that may arise and to make the experiment a success. Let all students then irrespective of society and class affinities, freely assist us in this undertaking with their prompt and efficient support, and with this encouragement, we will feel