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EDITORIAL NOTES.

We don't mean to insinuate that the HESPERIAN editors cannot fill its columns but we think occasional contributions from the students at large would make the paper more interesting and help to make it the students' paper. We do not wish you to write when you have nothing to say, as we sometimes must, but would like to hear from any of you on live subjects. All we ask is that we may know who writes our contributions. Now let us have a lively contributors' column.

In our last issue we published a little story, handed us as the work of a friend of one of the editors. We accepted it because we were short of copy and thought it would do for a change. Soon after its appearance we were told by a friend to compare it with "Phyllis" by the "Duchess." On so doing we found our seemingly innocent little love story had been actually stolen from the first few chapters of the novel. The whole plot and many of the exact words can be found in the book by the "Duchess." We regret exceedingly to discover that we have among us one who is

dishonest enough to try to palm off as original that which another has written. Our only excuse for printing it is that we were unfamiliar with the writings of the author in question and so did not see the fraud.

THE HESPERIAN has been laboring under many difficulties in getting started, and as a result we are a week or more behind time with this issue. But still if we were to judge from the way our exchanges are coming in we would find consolation in the fact that we are not the only tardy one. We hope this delay on the part of our contemporaries is not caused by the fear that we have gone under. We are still alive and although we may be a little slow in crawling from under the accumulated vacation rubbish we hope soon to be running full blast.

THE contract for erecting our two new buildings is let. Now don't begin to inquire right away where they are and what they look like. If there is one thing more than another which teaches humanity to exercise patience, it is the erection of a building when you are in a hurry for it. It would seem that the laying of each brick must be referred to a committee. We will vouch for the truth of the above statement, however, and it is even quite possible that some of this year's students may see preparations for the mighty work and some of our present preps may enjoy the elegancies of the new appointments. As soon as one structure gets above ground we have no doubt that the night construction gang which did such effectual work on the laboratory in times of yore will be ready and willing to assist in its completion, provided their family cares do not confine them too closely to their homes.

THE convention has passed into history but the effects of its proceedings will continue to mould the future of the U. of N. for some years. In observing the workings of the convention we are impressed with the idea that the present method of choosing the Board of Regents is far from the best one. Under its operations the University is just as likely to be controlled by demagogues elected from purely political reasons as by men of culture, posted as to the needs of a first-class institution of learning. The only safeguard is that usually the demagogue prefers a more lucrative position and one which requires less