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Editorial.

If it were not that we firmly believe that too much of a good thing is an impossibility, we would hesitate to appear before the University public again so soon. Inevitable and unavoidable accidents delayed our first issue until chronology was badly mixed. Some things were referred to as yet to be which had become ancient history before the paper finally escaped and made its bow to the public. We sincerely apologize for our shortcomings, or rather our longcomings, and promise that it shan't happen again.

It is rumored that the glee club which materialized as a double quartet is to be dropped. It is to be hoped that this rumor is false. We have longed for a glee club for years. It would be too bad to lose what we have gained towards it. Some sacrifice must be made by each member, no doubt, but it will be for the University and that should be enough for any loyal student.

The *Hesperian* said it wished its readers to criticize it if there was good cause for criticism. Otherwise these words would not be penned. We really fail to see any particular connection between the library and the fact that students receive a special discount on clothing at —'s. Neither is it in the province of the exchange editor to inform us that — guarantees good work on shoes. It savors very much of back woods journalism to put advertisements in among the reading matter of a paper. We beg the *Hesperian* for the sake of our common pride and care, the University, to cease this pernicious habit.

Great development in any one direction is apt to cause a weakness in some other. This has it seems been the case in our scientific department. In botany and chemistry we are unexcelled, but nearly every visitor, or at least many a visitor, remarks the total absence of instruction in astronomy. Of course to give thorough instruction requires the outlay of a great amount of money for apparatus. This is practically impossible, but it seems as if some elementary work might be done. As it is there is no way by which we can get even a general idea of this science. We can hardly have a Yerkes telescope or even a little one such as Lick presented to the University of California, but we might get some idea of how the stars go "round and round" with an opera glass if we were taught how.

The football season is now open. There has been lots of enthusiasm displayed in the preliminaries. There have been a hundred or so students standing around in the way of the players and shouting a little every evening. Some of them have contributed of their worldly goods to the support of the team.