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### EDITORIAL NOTES.

A friend of ours may remember delivering an oration on the unlimited power of the press. If he will call at this office when we are not busy, we would like to talk to him for a very few minutes. The way the *alumni et alumnae* have rebelled against our tyranny and have even resisted our most touching appeal may cause the said friend to think the outlook less gloomy.

It is customary at this season of the year for college publications to make a few remarks in their editorial columns upon the financial outlook of the papers. We do not propose to allow any fancied pride or modesty to prevent us from speaking upon the same subject. There are a number of students who have not paid their subscriptions. These we expect will pay. There are also many more who have not yet subscribed at all. We trust that these, even at this late hour, will do their duty by the paper. We take it for granted that all students expect to see the paper published for the remainder of the year. We intend to continue the publication, but we cannot afford to run the paper in debt without seeing some way of meeting our obligations. Thirty-five cents subscribes for the remainder of the

year. This is certainly not enough to drive anyone to bankruptcy, but the want of several such subscriptions will have that effect on the paper.

THE students will certainly welcome the favor kindly shown them by the Arbor Day committee of the Faculty. It has been announced that the exercises are to consist of a number of addresses and a few extempore talks. To the students has been given the privilege of selecting from among themselves one of the speakers, who is to see to it that his remarks are duly short. Since the committee has acted so generously the students will, of course, be present to an individual, and will see that all their friends and relatives attend. The brevity of our orator's remarks seems to be the most important point, and whoever is chosen will not fail to remember this.

In the last number appeared a contributed article on the order during chapel services. The ideas of the correspondent were good, and the subject is so important that we wish to say a few words about it at the risk of repetition.

It may be an open question whether, in a state institution, chapel exercises should be held or not. The forms are invariably those of Protestant Christianity, while Catholics, Hebrews, and Atheists are compelled to contribute to the support of the University. But we shall not attempt to discuss this matter. We have our chapel, and, since it is here, it is our duty as gentlefolk either to properly conduct ourselves during the exercises or to stay away from them.

It is a strange fact, and it is a fact, that by far the greater part of the disturbances come from the members of the three higher classes of the college. If the reverse were true one might think the students came from boorish families, and had not yet outgrown the evil influence, or the no less evil lack of influence. As the matter is, however, it seems that the home training of the students has been good, but that University society, or air, or something unknown, has a tendency to develop "cuteness." Those outside of colleges are always expecting some sign of this "cuteness" in students, and it will be just as well for us to disappoint them.

But it is hardly just that the students should shoulder all the blame. There are things that tend