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EDITORIAL NOTES.

OUR present issue is a little tardy in its appearance owing to the failure of the editor-in-chief to get the associates to do their full share. Readers will please not observe any "padding" which may have resulted from our frantic endeavors to fill up.

THE last *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, in a chapter letter from this University states: "It is said that another fraternity will soon make its appearance, and will take some seven of their first men from the barbarians." We had heard about the new fraternity for 10! these many months, but scarcely recognized it in this item, couched as it is in such tropical language. This leads us to remark that if all the exaggeration, brag, and downright lies were evaporated from the fraternity journals we have seen, there would not be enough matter left to furnish one respectable journal.

THE editors of this paper have found it their pleasure and preference to pass considerable adverse criticism on the fraternities of this university and the fraternity system in general. We did not expect to get much sympathy from other papers, for we thought that in most other institutions the anti-fraternity feeling had died out, or that, at least, the anti-frats were not allowed to air their views in print. But we have been agreeably surprised. A number of college papers have copied our sentiments and made favorable comment thereon. They have said that what we said was true and that the same faults we noted they could note in their respective institutions. One gratifying notice came from a southern exchange editor, a *frat*, who concurs in what we have always urged as to the effect of fraternities on literary societies and on the growth of trickery and quarrelsomeness in college politics. On the other hand although frat papers have been free with their insinuations of "soreheadism" and have warned us not to expose our ignorance by talking about fraternities, not one has answered an argument or disproved any made by us against the fraternities. The fact, that although often latent, there yet exists so much sentiment and conviction against this college evil, inspires us with new hope that a system of plutocracy and snobocracy, of social caste and secret corruption, will yet be swept from the colleges of our land. In several eastern colleges