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WITH this issue of the FREE LANCE the term of the present Editors expires. The Editor-in-Chief has been a member of the staff ever since the birth of the paper, and, situated thus, he is enabled to mark with much satisfaction, its growth and prosperity, and at the same time is naturally warmly interested in its future. During the term of the present staff, the paper has been enlarged by the addition of four pages, and its dress has been improved in the quality of the cover and in the addition of a plate. Having been associated with the paper during its entire growth, we are able to see several points where improvement might yet be made. No doubt our successors will introduce improving features. We have not done as much as we hoped to do. Indeed, one benefit we have derived ourselves is: We have learned that. "it is easier to tell a dozen men to do a thing than to be one of the dozen to do it."

We have learned to despise the boasting critic. We regret that we have not done more for the student's paper. We also feel bound to express our gratitude to the body of the students, patrons, and friends for their hearty support. It is not the easiest thing in the world to express the wishes and sentiments of the students, and at the same time keep within the limits of propriety as prescribed by the college authorities. There is only one safe guide in this, as in many other similar positions: to appeal to one's own sense of right; in judging others, to place one's self in their position, and then judge oneself so placed. In behalf of our successors, we desire to bespeak the continued support of all. Do not make their gratuitous task a thankless one. With the most earnest hope for the welfare of the FREE LANCE, and with our best wishes for those who shall take up our