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**I**N order to keep pace with the advancement in everything about us we have found it necessary to increase the size of the FREE LANCE by adding four more pages to it. Part of the new space will be filled with advertisements while the remainder will be devoted to matter which we hope will be interesting to our readers.

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**F**OR the benefit of those who feel interested in the matter, and to show that the members of our faculty are beginning to recognize the students as college men, we publish below a new rule as lately passed:

"In order to give opportunity for original and continuous research and study in the several lines of advanced work by the members of the Senior class, it is hereby ordered:

1. That any member of said class, who is in full and regular standing, may, by arrangement with the professor immediately in charge of the subject or department in which the special work is to be done, and on the consent of the faculty, be excused from attendance at all regular college exercises and classes for a period not exceeding six working days in any one term. Such period may be taken at one time or sub-divided into two or more periods, at the discretion of the faculty and the professor concerned. Provided that in all cases, the arrangement shall be made in advance, and that no portion of such privilege shall be used during examination week. The student will be held responsible for passing the usual examination in all subjects omitted during such periods, but they need not be made up otherwise unless the student so desires.

2. That members of the Junior class may avail themselves of the same privilege, under the same conditions in the third term of that year, but for a period not exceeding three working days."

This may appear as a very trifling matter to a student whose *Alma Mater* has a more liberal "system" of college work, but to one here, who has never known anything of the kind, it appears as a probable forerunner of a government which will be more modern in its nature and application.