

“to elevate public opinion, to raise to the highest standard of literary excellence all our student publications, to secure as many good students as possible, to secure and distribute news concerning the college throughout the State, thereby giving its members a useful training in newspaper writing, and an insight into the power of the press.”

It is the intention of the club to establish a reading-room at the beginning of the coming college year, where the best magazines and newspapers shall be accessible to members, and where lectures upon journalism may be given occasionally for the benefit of its members.

It is the policy of the club to elect as members only such undergraduates as best show their literary ability, and members elected are expected to promote the objects of the club to the best of their ability.

The editor-in-chief of the *FREE LANCE* is made an ex-officio member of the executive committee of the club, and all the best efforts of the organization are to be concentrated in an endeavor to awaken a feeling of interest among the students toward our college paper.

THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

Commencement week found State at its best, as usual. The number of visitors attending the exercises and festivities was truly wonderful, but even more wonderful, perhaps, was how our little village accommodated them all so satisfactorily. Doubtless the numerous and convenient special trains over the Bellefonte Central helped us greatly in our pleasant task. As on former similar occasions, the chapel was found to be totally inadequate to accommodate the audiences present at the various contests and exercises, and the wish for that new chapel is more earnest than ever. Notwithstanding these minor imperfections, the crowd of visitors was a thoroughly contented and happy one, who came for a good time and found a better one. All the exercises compared very favorably with those of other years, while the spirit of improvement and growth so visible in all the external interests of the college seemed present in them. The weather throughout was delightful, and nothing occurred to mar the pleasures of the most enjoyable week of all the college year. On Sunday, the 9th inst., a crowded audience listened to the safe advice, helpful encouragement, and