

And now a word for the future of the LANCE and we are done. To future editors we would say,—

“Whatever hath been written shall remain,
Nor be erased nor written o'er again;
The unwritten only still belongs to thee:
Take heed, and ponder well what that shall be.”

But above all write something—never let the LANCE sink into abeyance. Put time and energy into it. And although you are not paid for your labor in shekels of gold, yet you will be well repaid in the training it will give you, and when 'tis done in the pleasure it will afford you to think that you have done something to show the ability of your class, something to uphold the name and dignity of State.



And to the readers we would say,—treat the editors kindly. It is much easier to blame than to praise; much easier to criticise what others write, than to write yourself. Don't kick because everything that is published is not good, or say that the editor don't know a good thing when he sees it. Just hand him something good and see how quickly he jumps at it.

The present Editor received a letter a short time since from a '95 man in which the latter expressed his appreciation of the LANCE, but said that “the Board seemed to be doing it all.” And that is only too true at all times. Most of the students seem to think that they have done their entire duty when they help elect the Staff, or else that the college magazine is a medium for the use of the editors only. If you hold such an idea dispel the illusion immediately, It is specifically stated that “the FREE LANCE is published by the students.” And therefore each student is in a degree responsible for its publication.