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EDITORIAL.

In this the first issue of 1908, the Collegian extends greetings to its friends, and the hope that this may be a prosperous and happy new year. May our work prove more pleasant, our pleasures more enjoyable. As another has said, "To the poor and the rich, envying each the others' freedom from the cares of too little and too much, yet learning year by year that without health and enthusiasm and faith and love, none can be rich, and with them none can be poor—to these A Happy New Year !

To the workers, the vast fortunate majority, in humble places and in high, often baffled and disheartened, questioning if there is not somewhere for them a greater work with a greater reward; yet happy at the the last, if they will have it so, in seeing the figure they have wrought in the fabric of living, a figure drawn by the great Designer for their weaving and none other's—to all of these, A Happy New Year!''

College activities have recently been enlarged by a new publication, the first number of which has just been issued. It is to be published monthly by the Agricultural society and is very appropriately entitled "The Penn State Farmer." As the name indicates, it is devoted to agricultural interests. especially as related to our school of Agriculture and to the state of Pennsylvania. Through its columns the work of the department will be brought to the attention of the farmers of the state and it is hoped that a greater interest in scientific agriculture will be aroused.

The initial number is very tastefully printed and bound, and is full of interesting articles on agricultural subjects. A special feature is made of the dedication of the new buildings and the reorganization of the School of Agriculture. If the standard set by the first issue be maintained ''The Penn State Farmer'' should prove a worthy addition to its chosen field. To our new contemporary, the "Collegian" extends cordial wishes for unbounded success.

Announcement has been made of the marriage on New Year's Day of Cari H. Graves, a former special agricultural student, and Miss Eva S. Johnson.

Prof. Hugo Diemer.

The new head of our Mechanical department, Prof. Diemer, assumed his duties with the opening of the winter session last Tuesday. He comes to us as a graduate of Ohio State University, having received the degree of M. E. in 1897. For several years he was in charge of the mechanical departments of North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanics college, of Michigan Agricultural college, and of the University of Kansas, but more recently he has been a consulting engineer in the West for the organization and systematizing of shops. For the last year and a half he has been with the Goodman Mamufacturing company, of Chicago, makers of electrical mining machinery, as consulting engineer in charge of shop systematizating.

He is a member of the prominent engineering societies and has written numerous articles for engineering magazines. Among his most prominent works are: Functions and Organization of the Purchasing Department, Eng. Mag. March, 1900; Commercial Organization of the Machine Shop, Eng. Mag. Nov., 1900; Aids in Taking the Machine Shop Inventory, Eng. Mag. Feb. 1902; A Successful Example of the Premium Wage System, Eng. Mag. Jan. 1903; The Fixing of Piece-Work Rates, Eng. Mag. Nov. 1903; Staff and Departmental Organization, Iron Trade Review, May 5, 1904; The Planning of Factory Buildings and the Influence of Design on Their Productive Capacity, Eng. News March 24, 1904 ; Education for Factory Management, Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, 1903. During 1906-1907 he was connected with the magazine "System" as head of the Factory Economics Department, and just recently he finished for the American School of Correspondence, "Automobiles," a text for operators