

holus-bolus into the needy number, frequently forgetting to beg the authors pardon for the liberty. Such methods surely ought to be left with the editors of country locals, whose education being limited and whose aspirations are checked by the taste of subscribers, may be excused if he presents chaff where there is no desire for wheat. Editors of a college paper, whose aim should be to maintain the dignity of the institution, should make its mouth-piece reflect its highest life.

DE NOBIS NOBILIBUS.

DISSATISFACTION.

A FRESHIE, in the halls one day,
In accents sad was heard to say:
"Oh how I wish this year were o'er,
And I were once a Sophomore;
Then would I have no fear of Court,
And college life would be but sport;
But now I quail and shake outright,
When e'er a Senior comes in sight."
A Sophomore overheard the plaint,
His feelings went beyond restraint,
And thus he to the Freshie spake;
"Young man, you make a great mistake
In longing for a Sophomore's state,
For we, alas, so cruel is fate,
Are but removed a step from you,
And often do we sadly rue
The Junior's mirth or Senior's scorn;
Well may our life be called forlorn,
Seek not to find true pleasure here,
Until you reach the Junior year."
A Junior passed with jaunty air,
Remarked the words and saw the stare
Of envy which the Sophomore cast
Upon him, as he onward past.
He halted, and addressed them both.
"Your fond illusion I am loth
To break," he said, "but then forsooth
You're somewhat green, to tell the truth,
A Junior's life's not all sunshine,
Nor can you trust the outward sign.
The first three years of college life
Are little else than one long strife.
From start to finish we're oppressed
And often troubled and distressed,
By thoughts of dread exams. to come.
Our life is but one endless hum.
Dream not of rest until you pass
Into the favored Senior class."
Within an alcove near at hand,
A Senior grave had ta'en his stand;
Had heard the question in dispute,
And could remain no longer mute;
But stepping forth with solemn air,
"Young men," quoth he, "behold how care
Has ravaged this once stalwart frame,
In madly striving after fame.
Nought now remains to me, beside
A sheepskin or a suicide."

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