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Editorial.

WITH this number of THE FORTNIGHTLY the work of this year's "Editorial Board" comes to an end. We have tried, as much as in us lay, to make the FORTNIGHTLY a university journal, acceptable to both students and professors. The "Board" realizes—none better—that they have failed to please *all* the students, at the same time they feel convinced that the suffrages of the better class of the students are with them.

We have tried to voice the opinions of the undergraduates on those questions which directly concerned them, and if we have failed always to do this, it has been through lack of adequate support from the students themselves.

If the FORTNIGHTLY is to be carried on successfully, it must have the literary support of the students. There seems to be an impression abroad, that when a man has paid his subscription he has done all that can reasonably be expected of him. This is a most pernicious error. After the students have elected their representatives on the "Editorial Board," their responsibility rather begins than ceases. They

have elected men to fill an arduous position and it is their duty to see that those men are supplied with the means of maintaining that position. We faithfully assure the students that a kind Providence does not send us our FORTNIGHTLY contributions. We are obliged to get them, in default of articles from the students, either from the professoriate or from outsiders.

The same dearth of student contributions has been complained of, year after year, and complained of, not only by the editorial board, but by the students themselves. In laying down the reins of office, we would again make another appeal to the undergraduates to write next year for the FORTNIGHTLY. It will help you and it will help us; the benefit will be mutual. To those whose constant answer is "I can't write," we would simply say, "You never know what you can do till you try."

We have played our little part on the university stage, and we have only now to make our exit, and in doing so, we would wish our successors every prosperity in their work, and may theirs, as ours has been, be a "labor of love."