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S we are now entering upon another college year we cannot help but notice the numerous changes that have taken place.

In glancing around we see a large number of new students entering into this new field of labour, and to whom we give a hearty welcome.

All seem thoroughly to work this term, and the industrious spirit which is now moving among the students gives prospects of good work being done during the coming year.

You will notice, if you look through the editorial column, that there has been quite a change among the editors, only two returning to their old places, and as all are new in the work that has been appointed them, it is with fear and trembling that we place our first issue in the hands of the public. Please be careful of your criticisms and comments this time, as we have had, since our appointment, so short a time to prepare for publication.

We expect all the students to subscribe for the BEMA, and give it their support, which will make it a success, not only financially, but in its literary ability.

Some in the school have an idea that the editors are to do all the work, but if you take into consideration what is to be done, and the few there are to do it, you will certainly lend us a helping hand.

In the BEMA we purpose to give an account of the happenings of our Seminary life, and to do all we can toward the advancement of her interests.

On our return to school we were very sorry to learn that our matron, Mrs. Scribner, would not be able to attend to her duties on account of sickness. She will long be remembered for her many acts of kindness which endeared her to us all. Our wish is that she may soon be restored to health and strength.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The Seminary keeps along the line of progress. During vacation a large addition was built to the rear of the main building: in a corner of which is an ice house and refrigerator, which suggests visions of ice cream.

Our reading room has been greatly improved with new reading shelves and an increased stock of magazines and papers of the best American and English publishers.

All the front rooms of the first story have been papered and otherwise improved. Especial mention needs to be made of the gentlemen's parlor, which now, with its hardwood finish, is very neat and cosy.

The campus is being improved by grading, and new walks and roads are being laid out.

Our greatest want now is donations of books and money to provide a library suitable for such an institution. The BEMA would be glad to publish the names of all donors of books and money for a library.

Two of our best students this year have been Misses Iizzie and Jennie Hughes, of Havelock, Kings Co., N. B. They had greatly endeared themselves to both professors and students by their scholarly habits and lady-like deportment. Much sorrow was felt when, on the evening of the 27th ult., a telephone message announced the serious illness of their mother, and a request for an immediate return home. All hoped for the best, but before they reached home their mother had left the earthly for the heavenly home, and their father, Rev. B. N. Hughes, an old student of the Seminary, who for some thirty years has comforted others with the hopes and promises of the gospel, now with his family in sadness, trustfully looks to Him who leads all his children through death to glory and endless reunion.

We were both surprised and pleased, on our return to school, to find that the gymnasium had been moved from the back campus to the door in the rear of the boys' department. We were also informed by Dr. Hopper that he intends putting in some new apparatus.