

door, which puts me in a fix, if I want to use my property.

I think that the authorities ought to consider the matter, and give the non-residents some convenience of this kind.

I remain yours,

A NON-RESIDENT.

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With this number the 8th volume of ROUGE ET NOIR commences, and this issue goes before the public bearing the impress of new editors, who claim from their fellow students and longsuffering readers in general, the same amount of courtesy and consideration as has been accorded to their predecessors. We, on our part, accept this *role* and the labor attached thereto with no idea that we shall escape criticism; however, it will be our endeavor to record impartially the thoughts and deeds of the College, and we hope that both students and *alumni* will help us by taking an increased interest in the paper, and support us by both literary and monetary contributions.

Let it be clearly understood that the editors have no interest in keeping the paper up, except the consideration of whatever advantage may accrue to the College. Their work is wholly a labor of love. In glancing back over the work done by our predecessors in office, we see much that affords us cause for satisfaction and encouragement; but while we write thus, we are well aware that their efforts have not culminated to that point known as the acme of perfection. Last year, in one or two instances where matters of discipline were involved, it may have appeared to some that the account of the matter in this paper was rather onesided. But then it must be remembered that ROUGE ET NOIR is controlled by students, and that consequently it seems natural to use it as a weapon of defence, not of offence. Still we should always remember that every article which appears in our College paper should be written in the interest of the University. Indeed, everything which affects the well-being of the students ought also to affect that of the University, and when this is not so there is some fault on one side or the other.

Bearing this in mind, let us hope that the *renaissance* of ROUGE ET NOIR for this Collegiate year may be fraught with good results to all.

There are certain regulations with regard to the Supplementary Examinations of this College which are hard and inscrutable to the eye of the undergraduate mind. The hinderance they offer to the progress of the unsuccessful candidate is obvious, their utility very obscure. We refer to those regulations which, although they permit an unfortunate student, who has failed in perhaps only one or two subjects, to take the next year's lectures throughout the coming year, obliges him to take the whole of last year's Examination in June, and the Examination, the lectures of which he has been attending, in October. For instance a student of the first year failing in Mathematics, although he be permitted during the following year to attend second year lectures, will not be allowed to try his second year Examination in June, that he can try in October, but the whole of his first year Examination must be taken in June. To us this regulation which compels a Candidate to take double work, and not only does that but transposes the natural order of the Examinations as would make it most inconvenient for him, seems irrational. Nor is that all; we wonder why it is that men who fail in one subject (and have therefore satisfied their Examiners in the other departments), must take the *whole* of this year's work up again. The hinderance offered to the students progress is great, while, on the other hand, is there anything to be gained by it? We think not. Is there any reason why a student should not be allowed to take up the subject which he has failed in with his next year's work, and be examined upon it and the work for the year in June. This is the plan followed in Toronto University with regard to the Arts Course: But why go abroad for example? It is not the course pursued in other faculties of our own University, in the Law and in Medicine? We think the advantages of the scheme great and apparent, the disadvantages nil, and would therefore urge upon the authorities their careful consideration of the matter.

Once more it is our pleasing duty to extend a cordial welcome to the Freshmen class, and at the same time to make a few suggestions to them respecting their career in College, that is, if they do not already feel that they know all that is necessary to be known. First, we would urge upon you to take an interest in your College Societies, especially in the Literary. Many of our Graduates who have now attained to eminent positions in various paths, look back with feelings of pleasure to the evenings spent there, and trace its influence in their after life. Another thing. Do not become mere book-worms; by this we mean, do not be contented with simply confining yourself to the petty routine work of passing examinations. True, if you do so you may graduate as an honor-man; but