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Editorials.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY.

THE Journal, with the sanction of the Alma Mater Society, has begun a canvas of the students for subscriptions to a semi-weekly Journal. This is the same plan as was adopted and carried out with success at the time the Journal was first published weekly. It places before the A. M. S. the opinion of the students in regard to an important proposal and at the same time constitutes a basis for a subscription list for the following year.

The proposal to publish the Journal more frequently issues from the staff which has been charged with the publication of the students' magazine as a weekly and merits the approval of every student who is interested in maintaining a vigorous student life. The suggestion of conversion of the present weekly Journal carries with it provision for the publication once every four weeks of a special literary issue in magazine form.

The advantages of a semi-weekly publication are numerous. The reports of the events of college life which it contains will have an interest for readers that will not attach to reports of a weekly publication. This means that the semi-weekly will appeal to the student constituency on its own merits. Its news section will be fresh. News, too, a phrase frequently misunderstood, does not mean a record of small events consisting chiefly of names. It signifies events great and small of college life, their value to the publication using them to be estimated on the basis of their relative importance and interest. Thus the semi-weekly would make use of the same number of addresses to students and other extra-academic utterances by professors in connection with college life as the Journal in its present form. There would be the same amount of space for the literary matter as under present conditions. The news items that come under the departments would be of infinitely greater value. The proposals for change, therefore, narrow themselves to two points:—(1) Change in the number of issues; (2) Change in the form of the bi-weekly Journal; while the monthly retains the form in use at present. It cannot be doubted, therefore, that the semi-weekly will appeal as much as the weekly to graduates and 100 per cent. more to students within the college.

The staff, too, will recommend that a new system of distribution be instituted. This will probably mean distribution to students' rooms by carriers if the number of subscriptions warrant this.

The Journal, it should be remembered, is the official publication of the