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And now if our subscribers will aid us in our endeavours to increase the subscription list, and thus do *their* part by keeping us out of financial difficulty, the TYRO may be felt less burdensome in the future than it has been in the past. Our prospects are brightening; may no clouds obscure the dawn, but added rays still increase the brightness till the darkness of the future melts into light.

Editorial Notes.

THE term which is just about past has been exceptional in the history of our College. It opened with a larger number of students than usual, and everything seemed to bid fair for a very prosperous and busy term. But scarcely two weeks had passed by when one of the students was taken down with the scarlet fever, and though it was thought that every precaution was used to prevent it from spreading, in a short time there were four or five additional cases, and the prospect of being able to arrest its further progress seemed almost hopeless. Under the circumstances it was thought best to close for a short time, until those who were unwell should recover and be removed, and to afford an opportunity for purifying the buildings. Accordingly we were invited to accept of a vacation of three weeks, from the tenth of February to the third of March, and though neither the circumstances which gave us the vacation nor the weather during its continuance was favourable to enjoyment, yet we believe nearly all spent a pleasant time. After the re-opening three or four weeks had elapsed, and we were congratulating ourselves upon having successfully eluded the fever, but just when we thought the danger past two of the students were taken with it simultaneously, and in a day or two, two more. However, all are now convalescent, and as they were removed from the building when it was known it was the fever they had, we hope it may extend no farther. Though the term has been considerably broken, there has been a good deal of study done by those who have enjoyed uninterrupted good health.

On account of the loss of time in the middle of the term we are to have no Easter vacation, and the Summer term begins immediately on the close of the present one and continues for ten weeks, being three weeks shorter than summer terms heretofore.