

Proclaim the truth, in love, with zeal unshrinking,  
 Heedless of mortal praise or blame ;  
 Among the throngs, who live and die unthinking,  
 Be thou a living flame.

Be patient ; wait in hope, thy labor leaving  
 In trust with Heaven, toil on—  
 After the weary night of gloom and grieving  
 Shall beam the golden dawn.

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EDITORIALS.

In this number will be found two letters of burning interest to our student community. That from "Puritas," needless to say, has the hearty endorsement of the Editors,—in spite of the circumstance that it is preceded by a standing notice to the opposite effect. That our esteemed contributor should feel called upon to write such a communication at all, is sufficient warrant for its timeliness ; and we would emphatically re-echo here his repudiation of the thought that any one in supporting the COLLEGE JOURNAL is, either directly or indirectly, helping on a work of charity. The mere insinuation is beneath contempt.

With reference to the strictures of "Cynic," we may be allowed to remark that while the question of a summer session was pretty thoroughly discussed at the General Assembly, it was by no means finally disposed of in favor of the scheme. Indeed the matter was far from reaching a practical solution. Many of those who attended the Assembly will bear us out in saying that the speeches in support of the overtures—at least before Mr. Somerville spoke—were but half-hearted and suggestive of anything but complete confidence in the measures proposed. Even Mr. Somerville, it seemed to us, allowed his plea to hinge more on the intensity of the cry for Gospel ordinances, than on any particular adaptability of his scheme to secure an adequate response to that cry.

Cynic seems to apprehend that, if summer sessions are inaugurated, a certain class of students may be tempted to slide from a winter to a summer course, and in that way detrimentally abbreviate the period of their collegiate training. But it is only fair to remind our correspondent that this denouement was practically anticipated by the promulgators of the scheme. They urged that, in the event of its adoption, the Assembly could effectively legislate against any such evasion of existing church law. All attempts at tobogganing *down* the slopes of ecclesiastical and theological knowledge (instead of toiling *up* them) would be frowned upon then, as much as they are now.