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Once more it is the privilege of Varsity to welcome back to the academic life of another college year the members of the various faculties that form our University. To our old friends, greetings; to our new ones—members of the Arts faculty of Trinity College—even more cordial welcome.

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The outlook for the college year is bright. At all colleges the enrollment of first year students is very large. Already within the student body there is evinced a more general interest in the affairs of their University. The Secretary of the Union reports a decidedly larger enrollment than at this time last year. Subscriptions to Varsity are mounting up rapidly, and there is every prospect of a most successful year financially. The fact that an election is practically assured in the Literary and Scientific Society of University College will ensure meetings of lively interest. For the first time in its history our tennis club has won every trophy contested, and although a triple defeat has just been sustained in football, there is every reason to believe that when the absent players of last year are again on the field, Toronto's chances will be excellent.

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It is a time-honored custom of Varsity, as one of the pulpits of the century, to give words of advice to the incoming year. Perhaps, by this time, the thought has come to you of the first year, though of course you would not venture to give it utterance, that even a freshman may know a little—just a little. However, we cannot refrain from adding one word more. Learn in your college course to generalize; do not limit your horizon to your academic year. Many a one, blind to everything more remote than his class stand in the spring, finds too late, that the years which should have been merely a preparation for his life's work, have been so spent that at their close his shattered health renders him unfit for that work, whether it be in the world of thought or in that of action. "The student loses no time that the man lives," and if from

the football field, the rotunda, and the election contest, you learn the cipher of student life, you will have the key to the life of the larger world around you.

To say more would but be to repeat, perhaps *ad nauseam*, advice given in conversation from the platform and in the lecture-room.

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Attention is called to the article in the present issue dealing with The Union. We have heard much discussion of the Residence question. But though we regard the absence of a residence as our greatest drawback, yet the Undergraduates' Union, that which is the initial step toward the establishing of a residence has not in the past received a hearty support from the student body. It has been stated semi-officially that if the Union does not become self-supporting this year it must be closed. Should necessity compel such action, the residence would be a question of the even more distant future.

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With this issue Varsity begins its twenty-fourth year. The members of the staff will be glad to receive any interesting item of news from Varsity readers, either at the sanctum or elsewhere. It is the wish of the editors and, we know, of the faculty also, that the articles that make up our paper be drawn as far as possible from the undergraduate body. Poetry, short, pithy articles, stories and sketches, bearing if possible on University life, will be welcomed by the Editors, and, if they come up to the standard required by the students' paper, will be published gladly. Criticise Varsity, by all means; but remember that your criticism will have more weight if you have first called on the Business Manager, and if your handwriting is familiar to the Editors.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

The Senate elections are announced. The returns are significant.

Nothing definite has as yet been arrived at in the matter of the new Convocation Hall.

The after-luncheon speeches are to be continued this year. A more definite announcement will be made in next issue.

In the next issue will appear several short articles on the outlook for the year. These are being contributed by the Deans of the different faculties.

The Editor and the Business Manager agree that nothing brings to light a man's total depravity quite so much as the bringing out of a first issue. Should any of the faculty see themselves on the halfback line, they will kindly attribute it to the printer.