

Everyone has his own opinion as to what should constitute an editorial. Some may think that nothing but the deepest subjects should be discussed, and that they should be clothed in language too deep for common intelligence to discover the depths. Along with the rest of the readers, the present editor has his own idea of what nature the editorial column should take, but in order not to be too self-delineating at the expense perhaps of suitableness, he has made quite a thorough study of the editorial pages of our various Exchanges and has even dived into the depths of the editorial pages of the newspapers and magazines in our reading rooms—in order to discover the real object of an editorial. Our own idea of an editorial is simply to reflect through this particular column some views, personal or otherwise, upon some of the questions which are vitally connected with the institution publishing the paper, and to the reader who subscribes for the same. Hence our gratification when at the end of our search, we were convinced that the greater part of our associates believed the same, and followed it out in their writings. Our editorials therefore will not consist of learned discussions on some theme that is reflective of the class-room, not written in style that reminds one of a carefully thought out and composed essay. but from month to month we shall discuss some of the most interesting phases of those subjects that are before us as a college world, trying, perhaps, as far as possible to anticipate the trend of interest and clothe them in sufficient reserve to offend none, and do the most good to all. In this way we hope to have the editorial column read. We do not however promise that the time spent in doing so will be well spent. We shall seek first to attract your attention, and with the object in view to influence toward our way of thinking. Selfish, you say. Oh no. We have a chance to get our opinions in print. You may not have the same opportunity. We are simply taking advantage of our opportunities.



The financial question in regard to the publication of our college paper is always a serious one. The various societies of the institutions here, because of their members paying in advance, can determine at the outset their whole year's income. The paper is in a different class. It starts out with only a small assured income, not enough to cover the necessary contract prices, and giving no certain assurance for any