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The Acadia Athenæum is sent to Subscribers at the exceedingly low price of Fifty Cents per year, IN ADVANCE, postage pre-paid.

WE have been turning our mind inside out and upside down to find something new to say in this, the introduction of the ACADIA ATHENÆUM for the current College year; but we conclude with Solomon that "there is nothing new under the sun." At least we believe his words will be found true by any one who will assume the position of editor of a College Journal.

However, we have to hold the reins this year as best we can, and it shall be our duty to drive as creditably and satisfactorily as our abilities will permit. We expect to make the paper a success this third year of its existence. If there should be those not fully satisfied, they must remember that we are only in infancy and expect to improve as we grow older. We gladly welcome this new year with its responsibilities and feel assured that our old subscribers and friends will do all they can to aid us in making it the most successful. We design that every subscriber shall have a full equivalent for his money.

THE ACADIA ATHENÆUM appears in a new form and dress, enlarged and improved. We give to our subscribers nearly double the amount of reading matter, while the amount of subscription remains the same.

Many of our old graduates could do much to assist us in filling up our new pages with valuable and interesting matter. We need their assistance, and ever will we try to make our paper worthy of OLD ACADIA.

Some of those upon whose shoulders rested the laborious responsibilities of editors in the past, we are glad to say, have not forgotten us this

year. GOOD BOYS—may you live long to write for the ACADIA ATHENÆUM.

We could not tell why you should grow fretful at times, but we begin to understand it fully now; still it must be borne in mind that patience is a virtue and the only sure means of success.

We shall be glad to receive items of interest from any of our friends, and trust that no one of our old subscribers will refuse the paper this year.

The managing Committee have a list of probable subscribers to whom we shall forward the ACADIA ATHENÆUM. Should any not wish to subscribe, we only ask as a favor that they return the paper to us.

The position taken by our institution with reference to the Provincial University has made us the objects of much attention, and it behooves both the students and friends of Acadia, not only to maintain, but also to raise, her standard. We do not fear, if our kind patrons will only continue to extend to us their sympathy and aid.

We shall endeavour to avoid all discussions with other College Journals, knowing that but few of our readers have an opportunity to see the opposite side of the question and consequently the arguments would be dull and uninteresting. Hence by devoting our columns to matters of public interest more immediately connected with our institutions, we hope to bring their claims more prominently before our friends.

Thanking all who have taken an interest in our welfare in the past, we hope by devoting proper time and attention to our paper to make it ever worthy of their support.

THE Senate of the University of Halifax met to commence their work on the 13th of last month. Though the body was in session two full days, nothing of importance was finished. The qualifications for matriculation and for graduation are not yet determined. Committees were appointed to report on these and other subjects, at a meeting to be held in the Christmas holidays, and the prospect is that by that time discussion on these topics will be fairly begun. To settle the questions that will then be presented, will be no easy problem. The public are beginning to see how difficult is the task assigned to the learned