article to present any details as to the architectural or other important features of the new building, as the matter of details has not as yet been considered. But if it is not feasible to do this, it is at least possible to discuss in a general way the leading characteristics which it is expected the memorial will have, though even here the reader must bear in mind that the realization of these ideas depends not only upon the Alumni and their committee, but also upon the action of the Corporation and Faculty. However, as both of these bodies have been consulted freely by the committee, and have at all times signified their approval, what follows may be considered as based upon a reasonably sure foundation, which nothing but the unexpected failure of the committee in securing the desired subscription is likely to destroy.

Hitherto we have spoken of the Walker Memorial Gymnasium, and the inference has doubtless been drawn that it is proposed to erect a building to be used simply for a gymnasium. That, however, is far from the truth. Instead, it is expected that this memorial will minister not alone to the physical need of the student, but also to his social welfare. That there has been in the past, amongst the graduates of the Institute, a decided lack of college feeling, may doubtless be partially ascribed to the inability of the Institute to provide, aside from the class room and laboratory, a place for students to meet in social intercourse. Without dormitories and with no better place to congregate than Rogers’ steps, it is not to be wondered at that many a man has gone through the Institute with an acquaintanceship limited almost exclusively to members of his own course, and obtained principally from the restricted intercourse of the drawing-room or laboratory, and thus has failed to profit to the highest extent from his college course. That such a condition is undesirable and should be remedied has been fully realized by the Institute authorities, and to President Walker himself this subject was a matter of deepest concern. It seems, then, particularly fitting that a memorial to him should be given this character. In pursuance of this plan, it is the desire of the committee to make the gymnasium merely the central feature of the memorial and to supplement it with accommodations for the social mingling of the students. The gymnasium itself must be large and well equipped and such that it will not suffer in comparison with those of other colleges of similar size, but it is expected that the other features of the building will not prove inferior in value to the gymnasium, and that the whole will be of such a character that through its use our students will acquire not only greater physical strength, but also more of the spirit of good fellowship and of ease in social intercourse than has