work in an hour, and even the rich and idle, floating in opulence, are victims of that dread disease, “Nervous Prosperity.” Even so vacuous a task as doing nothing waxes irksome when one—\textit{id est}, \textbf{The Lounger}—is obliged to do a whole column of nothing and to make it seem inspired, saturating the paragraphs with meaning and fusing the whole into a unified mess. \textbf{The Lounger} has fused and fussed, but the essay thus assayed has refused. In the next issue of the immortal pamphlet which dignifies this Institution of “Take-knowledge-ye,” \textbf{The Lounger} will compose his effusion according to a new plan which was suggested to him at Christmas by the management of the \textit{Ladies’ Home Journal}, through its Boston agent, G. V. Wendell; namely, to wit: He will append at the end of the article a brief epitome of the whole and then omit the remainder, in order, by this subterfuge, to secure a higher voltage in his literary vacuum-discharges.

In behalf of himself \textbf{The Lounger} extends to professors and instructors the best XXX wishes for a Happy New Year. As a matter of fact, of all the classes which \textbf{The Lounger} attended the week before Christmas, only one of the gentlemen in charge wished his “prodigees” (as a Course IX. fellow would say) a Merry Christmas. Therefore, in lavishing upon them all the good wishes and affection which naturally spring from a warm and loving heart, \textbf{The Lounger} is doing the now expensive stunt of heaping coals of fire on their heads.

\textit{Vive le Faculty!} as the French would say. \\
\textit{Prosit des Faculty!} as the Germans would say. \\
God save the Faculty! as the English would say.

God save the Faculty! as \textbf{The Lounger} would say, but with a different intonation.

\textbf{The Lounger} now offers the following assortment of New Year’s resolutions to needy ones. Whomssoever the cap fits, etc.

1. \textbf{I firmly resolve not to get out another new edition of Letter Plates for five months.}

2. \textbf{I firmly resolve to be as finicky as possible in my English lectures, and to allow the tender tendrils of my nerves to cling to the smooth, glossy surface of my artistic temperament, so that every foot-fall from a semi-thinking biped will send a nerve-telegram to my inner consciousness and spread upon my dreamy imagination, followed immediately by another look of excruciating, infinite disdain.}

3. \textbf{I firmly resolve that the bridge problem is the most useful problem for a student to get and forget.}

4. \textbf{I firmly resolve to make the sentences in my Physics lectures so long and involved, to show my familiarity with the German language, that it will take ten grappling hooks to take up the sag.}

5. \textbf{I firmly resolve meinsel to get me ein new hat.}