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TO-DAY is issued the first number of our paper, and although we tremble at the thought of the work before us we begin it gladly. We believe that the same public spirit that founded THE TECH will sustain it to the end.

"The Institute has never been rich in papers." Only one, we believe, has ever been published: Some years ago the *Spectrum* shone for a time, but soon faded away. Still later an attempt was made to establish another paper, but in vain; the first number never appeared.

"And now comes THE TECH asking its share of favor. Even as its predecessor, it attempts great things. It will be its aim to promote the interests of the students of the Institute and maintain a friendly spirit among them, breaking down the ancient barriers of class and department. . . . It will open an avenue for the expression of public opinion, and will aim, in every possible way, to help all in the development of their young manhood. . . .

"We cannot look far into the future. We cannot tell what buds of genius may be unfolded in these columns. But even if genius does not bloom; even if the beauties of rhetoric and poetry are not developed here; even if this paper becomes, like the school it represents, only a field for plain, honest work—we shall nevertheless be sure that the efforts we make are stepping stones to further attainments, helping us all to the higher and nobler uses of our lives."

Thus the editor in Volume I., Number 1.

The least of our present troubles is unfolding buds of genius and developing the beauties of rhetoric and poetry, but in the main our aims are the same as those expressed in the first TECH issued.

It is the object of every TECH board to get out a paper that shall agree with each man's conception of what THE TECH should be, as it were each individual's fancy integrated between 0 and 1,600, and any failure so to do should be ascribed to errors in the mathematical work.

Various changes have been made in THE TECH during the past year with a view toward making it appeal more to the average man;