This Year's Fulcrum

HE Fulcrum for the present college year embodied a number of inno-

vations in college publication. The college paper of to-day has fallen into the rut of cut-and-dried news, with a bare sprinkling of solid matter. The news is put in a windy form; the illustrations are space filling; the josh is largely exchange; the editorials are light and trivial. The aim this year has been to remedy this condition as much as possible. Where one solid article has been the rule, the Fulcrum has maintained an average of from three to five; the josh has been largely original; while editorially the paper has made it its object to supply real food in short, crisp form—to help the college man in his troubles, to sympathize with him in his trials, and to rejoice with him in his real pleasures. In its news nothing but condensed reporting has been admitted. For our solid articles the paper is

grateful to the Faculty for their unreserved support, and heartily thanks many of the students and their friends who, though their time has been largely occupied, have given their co-operation.

The form necessarily sets off the material to advantage or not. Here again a radical change was made from the thin, large, unwieldly college pamphlet to a small, neat booklet expressing some worthiness and permanence. This change was made with some misgivings, but its reception from the fellows has been extremely encouraging. Timely illustrations, new cover designs and changes in color have lent additional attractions to the efforts.

The power of the press is a large one, and it is hoped that just a hint of an example may be passed on to succeeding Sophomores that our paper may not "go the way of all the world."

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