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The new incumbent of this office ventures upon the sacred ground of editorialism with fear and trembling. He sincerely hopes that his gentle readers will take into consideration his youth and inexperience and let him down easy. To state that his elevation to this high honor was unexpected, but faintly intimates his true feelings when he first received the momentous news. While he greatly doubts his ability to come anywhere near the high standard established by his distinguished predecessor, the public may rest assured that he will do his little best.

The Add-Ran Collegian for April has a very entertaining and instructive ar-

ticle on the new book, "When Knighthood was in Flower." It is full of good advice and criticism, and earnestly recommends the work to its readers. We heartily indorse the Collegian's statements, and can assure the boys that time spent in reading it will be time gained. If those who read such publications as are labeled, "Ideal Publications for the American Youth," etc., etc., would take a small portion of the time spent on such trash, and read "When Knighthood was in Flower," they would find all of the adventure with the brutality removed, all the love refined and beautified and all of the excitement caused by noble deeds which gives a higher impetus to noble thoughts and stirs the blood with new manhood and resolution, not to speak of the historical knowledge which one gains through the principal characters, being celebrated historic personages. There are scores of books of the same trend, as "Viva Crusis," "The Hon. Peter Stirling," "David Harum," etc., which are easily within the reach of every one and which every young man should read. Try one of them, boys, and you will be eager to read all of the others.

Our field day was a grand success, and everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The records made were very good, and reflect much credit on our athletes. But they could have been much better if the boys would