THE BATTALION.

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

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The open space in front of the Main Building has always been devoted to the formations of the Battalion. Whenever we have a large corps, like the present one, we are compelled to use the street running north and south, to get enough room to accommodate the four companies, and the band. We think it shows an unbecoming disregard for good order, and the circumstances surrounding the situation for persons to drive or ride through the line, or in front of the Batallion, during one of its formations, especially at retreat. We have seen persons drive between the Battalion and the adjutant while he was reading the orders, thereby diverting the attention of cadets from matters, absolutely important to them, or making so much noise with their vehicles. that orders could not be heard. We are willing to believe that in most instances, this results from thoughtlessness and all that is necessary to prevent its repetition is to call attention to it.

It is surprising how few of the students avail themselves of the splendid opportunity of visiting the library. There we find, besides the standard works on science, history and fiction, all the important daily and weekly papers and the monthly literary magazines. And yet with this large amount of reading matter, only a few pretend to read these and keep in touch with the outside world.

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Our prospects for a foot ball team this year are better than ever before. The first team is practicing regularly and is developing into the condition necessary for fast work. In this they are aided by the second team. We have a larger amount of material to choose from this year than ever before and we can look forward to our team sustaining their former enviable reputation, i. e. of losing only one game in