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## PREFACE.

In this volume we have endeavored to collect a few sketches from the pens of Dartmouth undergraduates, which seemed to us worthy of preservation. Of necessity many have been omitted which might well have been included; very likely some have been included which might have been omitted. Much of our college literary work has been dry and prosy, especially in past years; much of it has been of only temporary interest; some of it has a real literary and artistic value. We hope that the sketches in this collection will be found to belong to the latter class.

We are under great obligation to Prof. C. F. Richardson for his assistance and encouragement.

G. C. SELDEN.

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### INTRODUCTION.

To Dartmouth College, according to President Thwing of Western Reserve University, belongs the honor due to the pioneer in the history of American collegiate periodicals. He says in the chapter on journalism, in his "American Colleges, their Students and Work:" "It was a hundred and ten years after the first newspaper was published in America that, as far as I can discover, the first college journal appeared. In 1800 the Dartmouth students issued a paper called The Gazette, which is chiefly memorable as containing, in 1802-3, numerous articles by Daniel Webster, then a graduate of one year's standing. They were signed 'Icarus,' a pseudonym at the time unacknowledged, but which a few years later Mr. Webster confessed belonged to himself."

This Dartmouth Gazette, "published by Moses Davis, on College Plain, opposite Hanover Bookstore," was not, strictly speaking, an undergraduate periodical as we now know the term. It bore as its motto:

"Here range the world—explore the dense and rare; And view all nature in your elbow chair;"

and it contained such political, personal, legal, and miscellaneous news, from home and abroad, as the weeklies of the day were accustomed to print in their scanty pages. But the doings of the officers and students of the college were