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APOLOGY

This volume is intended primarily for the members of the Philomathean Society—Senior, Junior, Nominal and Honorary. To those of our alumni who by their generosity have made possible the publication of this book, the editors desire, in behalf of the Society, to extend their most sincere thanks—not only to those whose financial contributions have been so liberal, but also to those who have aided the editors with information which has been of inestimable value in remedying the few defects in the Society's records. The minute books are complete save for the years 1824-36, and this want is supplied by other records such as "Reviews," catalogues of officers, publications, and the "Recorder's Roll." Signing the "Recorder's Roll" is part of the initiation ceremony to this day, and the venerable volume contains the signature of every man who has been a member of Philo.

In presenting this work the editors are aware of its many defects, but they beg the indulgence of the reader, calling attention to the fact that they have been hampered by their ignorance as amateurs, and by the inaccessibility of the desired information. Every fact of history in this volume has been as far as possible tested by the records of the Society and the memories of the alumni. Corroboration of details has been no small part of the work. Every living member of the Society has been communicated with at least twice during the past eighteen months; some more than twice; for those who were prominent during Junior membership already know well how often the editors have bothered them. Therefore, the editors hope the Senior members will overlook the faults of the volume, and

will recognize that every effort has been made to render it as complete and accurate as circumstances allow.

To those who are not members of Philo, the editors offer their work as a memorial of the one hundred years' unbroken existence of the Society, and as a testimony that Philo has always done her duty by her sons.

THE EDITORS.

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