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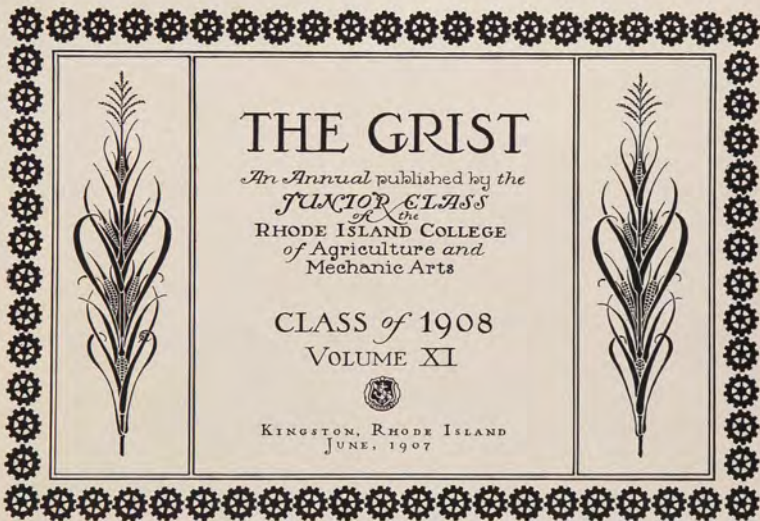
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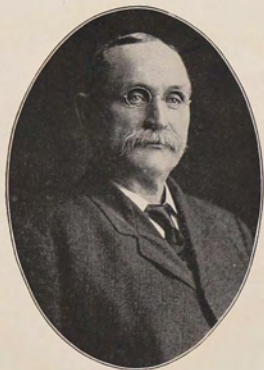


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GREETING

<i>Reader, when</i>	<i>Pity those</i>
<i>You read, then</i>	<i>Who were chose*</i>
<i>Think of us</i>	<i>And have worked,</i>
<i>And the fuss,</i>	<i>Never lurked,</i>
<i>With the muss,</i>	<i>Nothing shirked,</i>
<i>This book made</i>	<i>Put their best</i>
<i>Until laid</i>	<i>To the test.</i>
<i>Where it is.</i>	<i>Here it is!</i>

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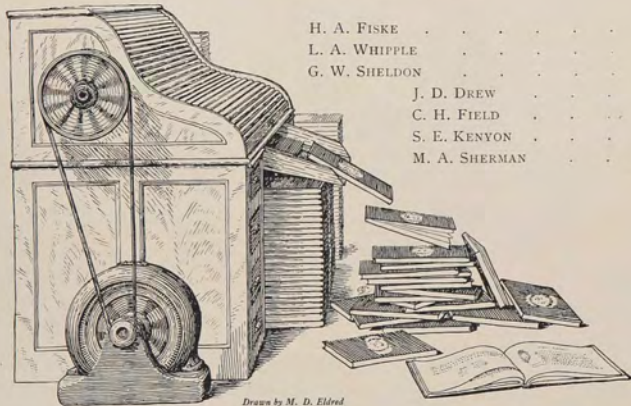
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WE DEDICATE ALL THAT IS WORTHY IN
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EDITORIAL

IT is the duty each year of the chosen few to gather up the stray bits of knowledge, chaff, and repartee, bind all this into book form, and send it forth with their deepest apologies for its unworthiness. But why should we apologize for doing our best? Doubtless, we could do better if we tried again; but that is another matter, and this is the book about which we wish to talk.

A year-book of this kind, to be valuable, should be truthful, instructive and interesting; and these three points have been kept in mind, but our path has deviated at times from our hard and fast ideals. In fact, we do not vouch for the truth of anything in this book, except the integrity of the advertisers (better look through the last eighteen pages) and the scores of the basketball games; for many of the jokes and taps were contributed by non-union members of the Y. M. C. A.; and our detective force could not spare the time to trace every mysterious allusion, or even ascertain whether some particularly witty remark was not made by Sam Jones or Tom Brown instead of by Jim Doe or John Smith. So do not look for us with a gun, if you are accused of saying or doing something which you never thought of dreaming. A joke is a joke, and never a mean trick; so grin, bear it, and do the same to others when you are Juniors.

For the instructive portion, we start in with a list of instructors. The calendar bears dates which may be famous (it shows that the twenty-fifth of last December was Christmas, and other equally important facts); another section tells what a small college can do in athletics, and gives photos of some of the world's most noted athletes; and the table of contents will direct you to the systematic reading of a good book.

For amusement, turn to any section or page except this one; note the effusions from unsung bards and unknown, hopeless jesters; read the list of extremely interesting but unpublished books; and peruse the doings of the clubs and the histories of the classes.

Read the book through carefully from cover to cover, read it through again and lay it aside for a year. If you read it a third time and are not satisfied with your purchase, do not thoroughly, candidly and heartily believe that it is worth twice what you paid for it, bring it back and receive your original investment, six per cent. interest, and your car fare,—if you can find us by that time and we have the price.

Unfortunately there is no one in our class who could draw a cent from a bank, if he had to make a picture of it first; but our friends came to the rescue and made the drawings for us. We wish, therefore, in this connection to express our deep appreciation of the kindness of Miss Mabel D. Eldred of Kingston; Miss Vera Briggs, Providence; Miss Bertha Smith, Pascoag; Chester L. Dodge, Providence; Carl P. Hubbard, Tufts College; W. A. Hubbard, Woburn, Mass.; W. C. Mays, Providence; R. H. Wheeler, R. I. C., '09; and C. B. Edwards, R. I. C., '10.



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