

TO OUR FRIENDS.

There are two things of which to speak, one may be considered serious, and the other more trifling; that which he has done, and that which he intends doing. Of the former, we can nothing—the latter, promise but little, preferring our paper and humble self and efforts to be adjudged by others less selfish than ourselves. In the commencement of a newspaper, however, it is expected that the one having control and management of it, to say something, at least, of the course and policy which he expects pursuing. May we be excused, then, for giving a brief exposition and outline of what we own to be our principles, and know to be our object. Before doing so, we would remark that the position which we occupy is not one of our own choice or preference. Our inclination, and feelings, if permitted to sway us, would even now cause us to abandon the allurements of an editorial life, and live still for a time under the teachings of others more highly and deeper skilled in science and literature than ourselves. Failing to secure an editor who was willing to take upon himself the task of catering for a thousand tastes, and ready to receive the contumacious frowns of those whom he may have, unintentionally, offended, whilst performing his duties, we have unwillingly assumed the helm and government of the *Enterprise*—holding ourself responsible and amenable for whatever may be found objectionable in that which we write and publish.

Upon the subject of politics it is expected of us first to speak. It is not to be supposed that a close observation of men and things, although a silent looker-on for the past six or seven years of our short life, has left us totally ignorant of the position of parties. Taught, as it were, in our infancy the principles of the JEFFERSON school of Democracy—imbibing the doctrines of State sovereignty still stronger from such statesmen as MESSRS. CALHOUN, BUCHANAN, BUCHANAN, PAULING and others, of the like stamp, we are willing to defend those principles which elevated and now sustains the present administration of President TRIMBLE. It is not our intention, however, to trouble ourself or our subscribers much, with length-

and elaborate discussions of the vexed questions of political warfare. Yet, at the same time we cannot consent to content ourselves to neutrality. Whenever our rights and institutions are assailed by enemies, the land of our birth and State's adoption has every drop of blood at their command. Still, we prefer laboring in another than the field of political strife. Instead of troubling and causing to fester the malicious enmity which ripples in the bosoms of infatuated fanatics of the North, and the disaffected sections of the South, we would pour the oil of peace and contentment, endeavoring to prove that the union of this Confederacy is stronger than the combined strength of both—and to be severed only when the spirit of our forefathers exists no longer, and the letter of the Constitution disregarded and broken by a degenerate and disloyal people.

So much for politics. The wants of the reading public we shall endeavor to anticipate—furnishing that which will tend to improve the mind and cultivate the heart—blending the useful with the beautiful and good. The claims of common Schools, and especially those of female education will receive from us the support which we believe their importance demands. The Improvement of Roads, and everything calculated to better the condition of our District and State we can assure the reader, will be strongly advocated. The minor topics are fully explained in our prospectus.

And now, kind reader, that you have listened to us patiently for a little while, permit us to leave you to better, and we trust more profitable reading; promising, in a word, to "live honest, and endeavor to add nothing to the cause of Justice, Liberality and Truth."

OUR CAPTAINS.

The new convenient circulation of the *Enterprise*—Greenville, we have seen—will also have the paper daily carried

in West Greenville (over the river) and will also have the paper daily at their doors.

We have not, as yet, placed a single name on our subscription list. This

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