not run as a prop to sustain any ring or clique, nor to boast up
the tottering fortunes of any pet School of Medicine. It is inde-
pendent and free; praising where praise is due, and outspoken in
its condemnation of those principles (not men) which if not ar-
rested are certain to destroy the unity of the profession at the shrine
of selfishness.

We ask cordially, earnestly, respectfully, that our brethren will
give us and our journal their hearty support and co-operation.
They can give it an impetus which will carry it, in point of influ-
ence and circulation, beyond any other journal on the continent.

We ask our Editors and Associates as well as our host of rea-
ders to form the line and let the word go from lip to lip and
heart to heart—"Advance!"

Not Responsible.

No gentleman connected with the RECORD will be held respon-
sible for its management or utterances. "Every tub will stand
upon its own bottom," and every writer will be expected to father
all his productions. This is said because we would not have our
opinions regarded as expressive of the unanimous sentiment of
our staff, and because some of our excellent friends may give ex-
pression to opinions we could not indorse.

We ask all however, to agree in working for their journal. It is
a work which we trust will bear golden fruitage in the no distant
future.

Communications.

The editors take pleasure in acknowledging the reception of the
following articles, which will appear at an early day.

Astigmatism by S. M. Burnett, M.D., of Tennessee; some farther
thoughts in the uses of Phytolacca Decandra and "Clippings," by C. H.
Tidd, M.D., of Ohio; Laryngo Thoracotemy, by R. J. Pres-Hoton, M.D., of Virginia; Chloroform and Ether, by J. H. Weir, M.D., of Illinois; Puerperal Mania, by J. W. M. Shattuck, M.D.,
of Mississippi; Hydrocele, by H. B. Lee, M.D., Atlanta, Ga.

A wealthy Russian lady has given $30,000 to the St. Peters-
burgh Academy of Medicine, to endow a department for the medi-
cal instruction of women.