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To the Executive Committee
of the
University of North Carolina.

We have been appointed by a large and respectable body of the members of the Dialectic Society to ask your permission and assistance in the formation of a new Society. As the two literary societies exist by virtue of an act of the board of Trustees - and as the board are supreme in all matters relating to the university, we respectfully submit ourselves to their authority and have no desire to take any steps, towards the organization of a literary body without their express approbation. The following are our reasons for presenting this petition.

In the first place, the Dialectic Society has become so large and unwieldy that the literary duties cannot possibly be performed with much advantage to any one. We think therefore that two efficient societies may with advantage be formed of one inefficient one.

Secondly the number of students is amply

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