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Readers,

I have had the privilege of being a part of the creation of *The Gettysburg Historical Journal* for two years. Both years I have been impressed by the quality of work exhibited by students at Gettysburg College. This year was particularly impressive because not only did we receive many submissions from history students but from other disciplines relating to history as well. This provided us with a large pool from which to choose this year’s selections. This year’s *Journal*, perhaps more than any other year, reflects the variety and depth of the work done within the various halls that constitute Gettysburg College.

A goal of *The Gettysburg Historical Journal* has always been to provide a diverse selection of topics. Once again in this, the fifth volume of the Journal, we have strived to bring a variety of subjects together. From subjects such as the 1954 *Brown vs. Board of Education* decision to transportation systems of Pennsylvania we see the creativity of our contributors.

The fact that so many students have submitted their work to be criticized and analyzed by a group of editors as well as to be read by the public demonstrates the confidence they have in their own abilities. Unfortunately we were not able to print every submission we received. There were many worthy of this *Journal*. Here are the best of the best. We now submit this publication to you as a reflection of the great work that is being done throughout our campus. I am proud to call these students my fellow scholars and my hope is that you will enjoy reading their work as much as I have.

Stephanie M. Bender
General Editor