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With reference to (b) our academic session may be said to close at the end of May, whereas our academic year does not end until the beginning of September. If the contest is to close by the end of May it does not give students much time to prepare an essay worthy of the event. Some have begun to write their examinations already, and the examinations will continue until the middle of June, when many students will be tired mentally. In such circumstances we cannot hope that anyone will do any work on an essay during the examination period. The time that will elapse between the closing date of examinations and the end of May is scarcely sufficient to enable students to do the research work necessary to a worth while contribution. If possible, I think, the time allowed for the submission of essays should extend to September 1st next. Your statement with reference to the academic year being so far advanced leads me to think that you may have it in your mind that the time limit will expire late in May or early in June, when most universities hold their closing exercises.

Your early decision on these points will be much appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.