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Editorial.

MARCH seventeenth marks the beginning of the end for volume six of THE FORTNIGHTLY. At last week's meeting of the Editorial Board Mr. Wallis handed in his last faculty report, explaining that, although the Faculty of Comparative Medicine would be pleased to receive the last number of the volume, no report need be expected to issue from the press of their examinations. We congratulate the Faculty on the entertaining articles which have appeared in their column. The sayings and doings of Fac. Comp. Med. have been read with pleasure by many subscribers in sister faculties. If ever the present generation establishes a Union we shall hope to enjoy a closer acquaintance with the Faculty in Union avenue.

WE have been requested to insert in the present number a notice or review of the second volume of the *McGill Annual*. At our suggestion the Editors endeavored to secure us proof sheets by which to judge of the merits of their work. Unfortunately all the forms yet printed, save one, are at the binders and, therefore, inaccessible. One or two forms have yet to go to press, but the whole work is promised for delivery before the publication of our next issue.

From the sample furnished us we have no hesitation in pronouncing the typography everything that it should be. The paper has a high finish, and takes the impression of the portraits very well indeed. We believe that in the long run the popularity of this and of future *Annuals* will rest to a great extent on the nature of the illustrations, which should be a reminder of the year's happenings about College, and naturally upon the quality of their execution. It is no small praise to admit that '99 is offering better value in the reproduction of its photographic groups and portraits than did the *Annual* of last year. In the preface the Editors acknowledge their indebtedness to the University Librarian and to several members of the teaching staff, 'for their contributions and other aid.' We do not take this as a lack of literary enterprise in '99, as the reading matter must constitute a large portion of the volume. In addition to the above assistance many an intelligent pen has been sharpened in the Editor's behalf within the limits of the Class. This fact we can attest by the unsatisfactory replies received from not a few when approached for assistance by the Editors of THE FORTNIGHTLY. While wishing THE FORTNIGHTLY every success, they have been occupied 'in writing for the *Annual* this year.'