

"HERE AND AWAY" had a look over the subscription list recently. It was interesting. There are two columns, paid and unpaid. The former of these is, of course, the longer. But in the latter are the names of some who would be surprised if they saw that list. There are there the names of some who have been getting the MONTHLY regularly for four years. We would not mention the law that holds a man responsible for the subscription price of any publication, as long as he takes it from the post office; but we would say that each issue of the MONTHLY, for printing alone, costs us nearly one hundred dollars. In past years we paid expenses. This year, however, the enlargement of the MONTHLY increases our expenditure. It is therefore necessary that all subscriptions be remitted to the treasurer at an early date. We know you have simply forgotten it—the sum being so trifling. Before five years you will be proud if you can say, "I stood by the MONTHLY from the very first. I knew it would grow to be the best magazine in Canada."

EXCHANGES.—Several of our college exchanges have been putting in an appearance somewhat irregularly this year; some of them nearly a month behind hand. It is gratifying to note the absence of the old worn-out jokes at the expense of freshmen, from the columns of some journals who used to be great sinners in this respect. The *Varsity* keeps the high place reached in past years, we would not like to say it has risen any higher. *Queen's College Journal* is, perhaps, better than in some past years. We never much cared for its style; but being the organ of the Medical, Theological and Arts Departments it has probably been as well conducted as might be under the circumstances. The omission of—to put it mildly—irreverent jokes is an improvement. *Acta Victoriana* is neither better nor worse than in past years. This journal is most unfortunate in having its editorial staff continually changing. *McGill University Gazette* always was a credit to its editors, and is so still. *Montreal Presbyterian College Journal* still continues its publication as a thirty-two page monthly. Its best article so far has been Prof. Campbell's opening lecture on "The Phenomenal God," which, we think, the *Journal* did well to publish—*Queen's College Journal* notwithstanding. We are inclined to think that a re-arrangement of the *Journal's* matter would be an improvement. *Dalhousie Gazette* comes to us from Halifax, little changed. It is, so far as we know, the only college paper published in the Maritime Provinces, and is always creditable. From Winnipeg comes *Manitoba College Journal*, a twenty-eight page monthly, the only representative from the Far West. We trust it will meet with deserved success. Principal King's article on "Exegetical Study" was excellent; some would call it "sound," or "heavy." Then, from Hamilton Ladies' College we get the *Portfolio*, a distinctively Ladies' College journal, never heavy, always neat. There are some of the more familiar of our college exchanges. We give advice to none, because the circumstances of each are peculiar, and we believe the several editors know how to meet them better than we do. The MONTHLY has long since ceased to reply to the carping criticism which stigmatized it as "solid." We write for "solid" readers, to whom the froth that might suit other readers would be offensive. We would not insult our graduates and friends by sending out to them monthly simply the stale witticisms of the college halls and the immature compositions of juvenile writers.