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ND first of all as to the late appearance A of this the last number for '87-88. was our original intention to issue it during the summer, but after due consideration we decided to postpone its appearance until the beginning of the present session. samples of our reasons for taking this course we may give the following; first, the very dispersed condition of the staff coupled with a remarkable neglect to send in contributions; second, the extreme depression which prevailed in the finance department; quite a number of our subscribers will understand the cause of that; third, the consciousness that heavy literature is not appreciated during the summer months; fourth, the further consciousness, obtained from past experience that a good part of the present session would have slipped away before the Alma Mater Society bethought itself of the need to appoint a new staff. Should these reasons be deemed inadequate by any of our subscribers others even more cogent will be furnished on application provided a stamped envelope is enclosed for reply.

XX/ITHIN the last month the staff of the College has been enlarged by the appointment of two new professors. Of this no doubt every reader of the Journal is aware. We have to congratulate ourselves and all friends of the College upon the fact that the trustees have been enabled thus to add to the efficiency of our Alma Mater. But it is also matter for congratulation that the two new chairs are to be filled by men whose previous training and proved abilities give every expectation of the worthy fulfilment of their high duties. We are particularly gratified to know that the trustees in selecting the new professors were not influenced in their choice by any narrow prejudices of country or college. They clearly had in view nothing but the highest interests of the college and its students. They sought to secure the best men for the positions wherever they were to be found and quite irrespective of any minor considerations. Some few friends of the College, whom we venture to think a little narrowminded on this point, seem to think that Canadians should have been preferred. Others would have excluded anyone who had received any part of his training in Univer-