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IT is not without a sigh of relief that we lay down the pen. In the rush of the session, in the full flow of its life, the sense of service gave us gladness; but now that another class has been graduated and the student faces—more precious than we knew before—are greeting others in divers places, the staff of the present session would quickly wind up its estate and give way to others. We will not attempt now to sit in judgment on our work. Such as it was, we tried to render it heartily *gratis*, and we know we have our reward. We thank every student friend of the JOURNAL, and regret that it does not receive more general support from the student body, whose organ it is. However, that the list of students has broken past records is cause of congratulation. We owe especial thanks to James R. Fraser, M.A., for timely and cheerful editorial assistance. To those who contributed articles on life at other educational centres, we are much indebted. To each one who by criticism, suggestion, contribution, word of approval, or by any occult means, helped us in our work, we, appointed by the Alma Mater Society of Queen's University, say: "Thank you, sir!"

To our successors we bequeath a surplus in cash, all the private advice requested, a piece of cake, the keys of office, and high hopes for greater things than the JOURNAL has ever attained. We have some reason for the hope that is in us, both because of the more or less distinguished ability of the members of the staff, (?) and because of the more perfect organization of the new staff. We have, therefore, much pleasure in introducing to the expectant throng: J. S. Shortt, B.A., as Editor-in-Chief; H. W. Bryan, M.A., as Managing Editor; Editorial Board: R. Burton and Miss Henstridge, Arts; E. C. Watson, M.A., Medicine; R. W. Brock, M.A., Science; J. M. Scott, '97, Business Manager; W. R. Tandy, '99, Assistant Business Manager.

The business manager hopes to hear from several of our subscribers before the twenty-fifth of May. His address is Drawer 1109, Kingston, Ont. It is higher desirable that the affairs of each year should be closed up by the officials of that year.

CONVOCATION.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

ON Sunday, April 26th, a large audience in Convocation Hall listened with eager attention to the very eloquent sermon delivered by Rev. W. T. Herridge, of Ottawa. We are sure the JOURNAL will gratify the wishes of many readers by publishing it in full.

"I exercise Myself"—Acts 24 : 16.

In addressing to-day those who are about to go forth from these halls to the various practical tasks of life, I make no apology for offering you a plain discourse which has nothing distinctively academic about it. You have enjoyed for some years the advantage of learned and enthusiastic instructors, and if you have made use of your opportunity, it may be assumed that you leave this place not only equipped, but what is better still, trained in those habits of thought and in that disinterested love of learning which will make you diligent students down to the end of your days. Your work here has placed you on a vantage ground in comparison with many, and it will be your privilege to add lustre to your *Alma Mater* by the efficient discharge of the duties which now confront you in your chosen path of life. And in order to this, intellectual attainment, valuable as it is, will count for less than moral character. It is not simply what one knows, but the kind and quality of man who knows it, which determines worth and foreshadows destiny. The supreme goal of individual effort is here set forth by the Apostle when he says: "Herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offense toward God and toward men."

Attention has been frequently drawn to the fact that St. Paul's metaphors are chosen for the most part from the strenuous and heroic sides of life. To his thought, the Christian, so far from being an unnatural growth, or a cold and colorless nonentity, is the true type of man, pre-eminent in all manly qualities; a warrior who is not afraid to go forth to hazardous combat, trusting in his good sword, wielded by a strong right arm, to hew his way to victory; an athlete who submits himself to long and