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ONCE more we are called upon to say farewell to our friends. The JOURNAL has passed through another year of its existence, and its managers are pleased to be able to report a perfectly healthy system. We have had our staff changes, our delinquent subscribers, our delays, and our general ups and downs, yet on the whole the result is decidedly satisfactory. A number of subscribers have not yet paid up, but we know they will do so now, without fail, if only to show us that they have appreciated our efforts during the session. This number is a double one, completing the twelve, and with it we hand the JOURNAL over to the staff which is to guide its destinies through session '85-'86, trusting that they will see our weak points, and profit by them.

THE plan of issuing tickets for the annual Convocation, which was recommended by the JOURNAL and adopted by the authorities, has proved a decided success. Although the hall was completely filled this year, there was a total absence of that crushing and crowding which has characterized previous occasions. The ladies' thanks must have fully made up for the little extra trouble.

THE address delivered by Chancellor Fleming in connection with the recent Convocation, and of which we print a brief account in another column, contains a great deal of interesting information, as well as some decidedly suggestive lessons. The friends of Queen's may well feel grateful that her Trustees have followed the example shown by the governing board of Edinburgh University upon the occasion of the memorable crisis of 1858. Our Chancellor is yearly increasing the debt due to him from all who have the interest of our *Alma Mater* at heart.

THE rebellion in the Northwest has been the all-absorbing topic of interest throughout the Dominion for sometime past. The stake is all important, and the prompt action taken by the Government, with the loyal and whole hearted response of the Canadian volunteers, must be intensely gratifying to everybody. The prospects now are for speedy peace, and though our country has suffered much by the loss of many brave citizens, we have yet much cause to be thankful.