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THE services of a few zealous persons are alone required to obtain for Convocation Hall, the portraits of ex-Principals Cook and Snodgrass; Dr. Cook is also an ex-Chancellor of the University. To procure these, the sum of three hundred dollars is required, and this of course amounts to a mere nothing, if the many friends of both Doctors, are approached in the right way. Let some society take the matter up.

THE Christmas vacation has been shortened by the Senate; it extends from Dec. 22, to January 4th. A petition for extension was signed extensively and presented to the Senate. The answer was that the Senate regretted that it could not entertain the request, as if the dates laid down in the Calendar were changed the work of the session could not be accomplished. We presume the Senate is not disposed to look favorably on petitions of this sort, on account of the Summer vacation being so long.

It is too long. If lectures began on the first of October and lasted till the end of April, the curriculum would be gone over more completely and with less hurry, and football, athletic and perhaps boating matters would be in a much more healthy condition. Of course at present it would be a hardship to many, to shorten the vacation, but we hope the time is not far distant when we shall have a longer session.

MANITOBA seems to afford a very tempting field, to a man who has any surplus funds to invest. A single instance of this is shown in a transaction between the University and Dr. Schultz, M. P., an alumnus of the Royal College. Dr. Schultz two years ago conveyed to the Trustees three lots in Winnipeg, valued at ten dollars each; a week or two ago, nine hundred dollars were offered for the same lots and refused. The JOURNAL is going to invest its surplus funds if it ever has any, in Winnipeg town lots.

WE regret very much to see that personal canvassing by candidates for office is on the increase. The principle is a bad one; we hope that after this year there will be an understanding among candidates that their friends will do all the canvassing. There was at least one instance before the recent election in the Alma Mater Society, of a candidate soliciting votes from men he was not acquainted with, and when he was refused had the nerve to ask the reason for the refusal. Now, college men are not