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WE present to our readers in this double number of the JOURNAL a full report of the proceedings of the 48th Convocation. We have made the number just twice as large as usual so that none of the particulars should be postponed to a later date. If some of the other departments have suffered in consequence we hope that our subscribers will take it in good part, and assure them that in the next and last number we shall endeavor to do all that in us lies in the way of atonement for the present omission.

We have conducted the JOURNAL this year upon business principles and have succeeded thus far in paying for each issue as it was produced. We have at present about enough to pay for the production of No. 10; but not enough for the double number. We are most anxious that we should accomplish all that we undertook at the time of our appointment. We have tried very hard to make the JOURNAL entertaining, crisp, independent and instructive. While we do not expect a universal assent to

all our ideas, we have good reason to believe that they have met with great favor at the hands of a large number of our subscribers. We hope, then, that those who have not yet paid their subscriptions for the current year will kindly hold up our hands in this matter as they have so generously done in the others; and, by forwarding their subscriptions at once enable us to hand over the JOURNAL to our successors, not only without the deficit of a copper, but with a respectable little surplus. They will realize the importance of *immediate* action when we remind them that only three members of the staff—the editor-in-chief, managing editor and secretary-treasurer—are in town, and that we may be called away.

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There has been quite an excitement among students, members of Presbytery, etc., over Presbyterian Examinations. With all due deference to those gentlemen whose sensibilities have been wounded by the rigor of the Examinations, the methods which they have adopted to ventilate their grievances seems a most unfortunate one. The writing of editorials in the JOURNAL or letters in the church papers, should have been a *dernier resort*. The true remedy under such circumstances is to bring the matter up before the Presbytery itself. But, after all, while the examinations were pretty stiff, those who had the hardest papers—the gentlemen who were up for license—appear to be the only ones who have nothing to say on the matter. In any case, the principle of running to the Press with every little grievance is a bad one. If the Presbytery *refuses* to settle it, then, we say, go to the Press, but not till then.

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One of the most welcome of the exchanges that reach us is Dr. Barnardo's *Night and Day*. It is, as it claims to be, a record of Christian philanthropy, and details the history of the 3,100 waifs which Mr. Barnardo has rescued from the streets of London. Every child saved is one less in the number of the criminal classes, and one more added to the ranks of that intelligent Christian population which forms the backbone of the country. If ever a cause deserved the support of a Christian people, it is this. The history of some of these waifs is heart-rending. The Home is at present in need of funds, and we hope that all of our readers who can spare a little will send it to Dr. T. J. Barnardo, F.R.C.S.E., 19-26 Stepney Causeway, London E., England. The journal edited by Dr. Barnardo is only two shillings a year, and