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## Editorial Topics.

To All. This particular issue of the Review is, as a rule, fraught with considerable difficulty. The College halls are deserted, save for a few sweltering matriculants, the editorial staff is depleted, owing to the superior attractions of the summer girl and cool retreats; and the interval since the last issue of this journal has been filled with examinations, food for reflection, surely, but not food susceptible of dishing-up into a morsel sufficiently tempting to titillate the palates of our gentle readers. Unkind fate, and the exigencies of advertising contracts, utterly regardless of the weather, decree that a number must be manufactured, so here we are to make the best of the situation, outwardly calm, but secretly resolved upon a strike for an increase of salary, as soon as certain inconsiderate subscribers have awakened to the fact that this paper cannot be run for nothing, and the outstanding millions have flowed into the coffers of the management. We are living for that day, but fearful lest too sudden fulfillment of our desires should carry us away, and we live not to enjoy the fruits of our labours.

We beg to tender our congratulations to Bishop's College, Lennoxville, on the celebration of her jubilee. For fifty years the University of Bishop's College has been carrying on an educational work that cannot easily be estimated, and that she now finds herself in her maturity strong and prosperous is a matter for sincere congratulation. We rejoice with her in those unmistakeable tokens of success which this memorable anniversary has brought forth, and join our voice confidently with those of her well-wishers in predicting for her increased prosperity, and in wishing her good luck.

New Blood for Convocation. This journal has not been backward in upholding the policy of Convocation on occasions, and particularly it has exerted its influence to stimulate a zeal for Convocation as our great Alumni Society. It is high time for the august body to become endued with some fresh blood, in the persons of young men; not so much for the conduct of great matters in which the young are inexperienced, but to take up the cudgels on behalf of the students in little things which affect their institutions and every-day life. For instance, in defence of this journal when it is subjected to a periodical attack, which attacks on the part of members of Convocation are not strictly limited to the confines of their own council-chamber. Of course it is folly not to cheerfully accept honest criticism, such as the methods of any journal are subject to, but at the same time it may be thought that if Convocation possessed a sufficient number of members who were familiar with student life and thought of to-day, the aims and ideas of the College organ would receive more ready sympathy. Another example will be found in the circular which was recently issued, and which enumerated some College institutions. The name of the Dramatic Club, an institution which has, for the past half-dozen years, attained a fair measure of success, pursuing the tenor of its way, recognized as combining legitimate amusement and instructive exercise, appeared upon the original draft, and was struck off—to spare the feelings of some mythical personages who entertained doubts as to the propriety of Trinity students “play-acting.” We feel sure that no man in College, even though personally opposed to an institution, would without a protest, see it treated in so cavalier a fashion in an official document. We would like very much to know how many sleeping partners there are in this concern of Trinity University. No one wants to alienate friends, but these Spenslow-Jorkins, tactics regarding their institutions are not appreciated by undergraduates. These, we admit, are small matters, too small entirely for anything approaching a casus belli, but yet as immediately affecting the men, they are apt to rankle.

To '95. The graduates of this year are the first to be affected by the new regulations regarding admittance to Convocation.

The motion to reduce the entrance fee for young graduates, which was passed at the meeting of Alumni held last term, remains yet to be ratified by Convocation at its annual meeting; and hopes are held out that this formal assent will not be wanting. A duty then devolves on graduates of '95, which we hope is fully recognised, viz.: to make it their care that this attempt to infuse new blood into Convocation be not abortive at the outset. A leading, in fact we may say the cardinal, principle of the Class Association recently formed, is in general adhesion to the University and advancement of her interests, and in particular to become members of Convocation, and so fulfil the main purpose in a practical way. Let '95 then look to themselves that the loyal speeches uttered at their closing dinner be not flung at them as a reproach, but rather stand as the expression of the sentiments of a year that knows both to speak and to act.