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IN order to give a somewhat full report of the closing proceedings of the College, in which we know all our readers are very much interested, we have not only had to add a number of pages to this issue of the JOURNAL, but also to lessen the number of editorial pages. The closing exercises this year, on account of the great effort about to be made by the Principal—viz., the raising of a quarter of a million additional to the endowment of Queen's—are especially interesting, and for the full accounts we elsewhere publish we are indebted to the columns of the *Whig* and *News*.

WITH this number our connection, as a staff, with the JOURNAL ceases. We have tried to keep up the excellent reputation it bore, when it came into our hands, and what degree of success has attended our efforts we leave our readers to judge. In parting with the JOURNAL we trust that it will fall into abler and better hands, and hope that in the near future we may see it controlled by a joint stock company (composed of alumni and students), having a permanent editor, and issued, as our *confrere* the *Knox College Monthly* now is, "all the year round." Dear old JOURNAL, notwithstanding the many hours we have spent on your pages, to the neglect of our studies, we love you still, and we will look in future years with eagerness for your newsy, well-printed pages.

THE present is a great crisis in the history of Queen's University. There is an evident desire in the educational authorities of this province to make higher education more comprehensive and perfect than it now is. The object is laudable in the highest degree; but the only way proposed—namely, centralization in Toronto—fails to meet the approval of a large number of leading educationists in this country. The opinion largely prevails that it is in the interests of liberal culture that more than one institution of higher education should exist in this province. Nor does the experience of other countries in this matter go to invalidate this opinion. Provided Victoria is able to carry out her plans of fede-