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Editorials.

IT is not often that the students of Queen's University have any grievances of sufficient importance to be brought into the columns of this JOURNAL. The relations which exist between the students and the various Faculties are uniformly pleasant, and the principle of self-government is so thoroughly understood and appreciated that one is tempted to smile with a little superiority when hearing of the elaborate systems of discipline and guardianship which are enforced by the Faculties at some other seats of learning in Canada. A few years ago a modest deputation was sent from the Senate to the Alma Mater Society to make some hints about the proceedings in the gallery at Convocation. Instead of bringing violent threats and menaces, one member of this deputation made some well-chosen and philosophical remarks about the scope and limitations of democracy in a University; while the other gentleman in his own picturesque Celtic style prayed that at least the Chancellor should be allowed to perform his part free from interruption, and that other speakers should have at least a few minutes' attention before they were subjected to

any fire of criticism. Numerous instances can be cited by those who have lived here any length of time to show how sane and judicious has been the attitude assumed to the students by the Principal and all the Faculties; and the JOURNAL was never more confident of representing the common opinion of all than when it acknowledges the wisdom and good sense of those who are in the higher places of the University.

At the present time, however, there is a matter which, while not purposely reversing this settled policy of the Principal and Faculties, has caused considerable disappointment among the students at large, and has upset some of the reasonable calculations of the officials entrusted with the publication of this JOURNAL. As every one knows who reads the enterprising magazines and newspapers of the present time, one function of such papers is to provide a means by which business firms of all kinds may advertise their wares; and every one also knows that to a considerable extent the literary excellence and the general success of a paper depend upon the revenue derived from these advertisements. Like other magazines, the QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY JOURNAL depends largely upon the income derived from its advertising columns; and at the beginning of each session merchants of Kingston and elsewhere are offered the use of our pages for their business announcements. This year, in Kingston at least, the officials of the JOURNAL found that they had been forestalled in this respect by some unknown person who makes a business of furnishing colleges and schools with time-tables free of charge. This unknown person, as it seems, applied to