

Editorial

This issue represents the completion of volume VIII, and the second since the rebirth of the journal after some years of quiescence. In stepping down as editor there are some plaudits that are to be made to members of this retiring staff, and especially to a few names in particular. The managing editor (who claims that his great grand-father was a pirate who sought haven in Grand Falls) is a native of Newfoundland and as such tackled the cumbersome task with the dexterity of a veteran fisher on the "banks". Bill Janes managed the entire volume through three issues without once returning an empty financial net. Whether or not this was accomplished through his great-grandfather's buried treasure is not fully known; the job was excellently performed, and sincere thanks are extended for the many hours Mr. Janes devoted to the journal; no easy task when you consider that he is president of both the class of '57 and the Students' Medical Society.

Whereas the driver of the postal truck, who picks up the mail from the corners of Carleton and College streets, has been overheard hurling profane adjectives at our circulation managers after having jammed over 700 copies of the journal into the mail box, we hurl bouquets of thanks to these men, Messers Paul Kinsman and Jack Steele. These two men have organized the Journal's mailing list which now facilitates easy distribution to Maritime doctors and hospitals.

Equally appreciative thoughts are extended to all members of the staff; to the Faculty Advisors; to our advertisers and to our publishers.

While this writer was editor he felt that the Journal should not be entirely devoted to scientific articles, such as may appear in the many "big time" journals in our library. In conversation, many **A Suggestion** agreed that there are plenty of such medical publications and that our work should lend itself to a more original theme to distinguish it from the stereotyped form of others. It is with this thought that it is suggested to the incoming editor to keep an eye out for the original, historical, philosophical, humorous, or what have you, when selecting material. Such are a welcomed diversion from the hum drum unveiling of statistical data etc. A further note is advanced upon the suggestion of one of our Faculty Advisors, Dr. H. B. Atlee, and a portion of his letter is quoted. . . . "it seems to me that if this journal is to be called a Dalhousie Journal, it should wherever legitimately possible, live up to that name, and give the Dalhousie slant to its articles".

In order for these two suggestions to be realized by the incoming editor, a final exhortation is swallowed out to the student body to exploit their own literary abilities, swallow the "it will be no good attitude" and contribute articles to the editor, rather than having him exploit the only few that will regularly contribute.

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