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# FROM THE EDITOR

It's a strange feeling to see all your work coming to a close when previously the end seemed as far away as the East Coast from the West. As summer break looms on the horizon so close I can almost smell it, I find myself heaving a deep sigh of relief. Though it's sad to have things drawing to a close the prospect of seeing the finished book makes me squirm with anticipation. I wouldn't have reached this point without the patience and support of the following:

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I sincerely hope you enjoy the 2003 edition of *Miscellany*.

Jess Jacob

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