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What is meant by the course of instruction being confined to private law which the student will find of use in earlier years of his practice, may be illustrated by the course of instruction in what is justly regarded as one of the very foremost law schools of this country, that of Harvard University. I select it for illustration because of the deserved eminence of the school, and because it covers all of the studies embraced in a three years term.

The following synopsis I assume to be correct, being taken from the above mentioned report of the committee on Legal Education :—

"Law School of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., nine instructors, 363 students, 44 graduates, 36 weeks in school year.

"Course of study: First year.—Contracts, 108 hours; Criminal Law and Procedure, 72 hours; Property, 72 hours; Torts, 72 hours; Civil Procedure, at Common Law, 36 hours. Books used.—Langdell's Cases on Contracts; Chapin's Cases on Criminal Law; Gray's Cases on Property, Vols. 1 and 2; Ames's Cases on Torts; Ames's Cases on Pleading.

Second year.—Agency, 72 hours; Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, 72 hours; Law of Carriers, 72 hours; Contracts, 72 hours; Evidence, 72 hours; Jurisdiction and Procedure in Equity, 72 hours; Property, 72 hours; Sales of Personal Property, 72 hours; Trusts, 72 hours. Books used.—Ames's Cases on Bills and Notes; Keener's Cases on Quasi-Contracts; Langdell's Cases in Equity Pleading; Gray's Cases in Property, Vols. 3 and 4; Langdell's Cases on Sales; Ames's Cases on Trusts.

"Third year.—Constitutional Law, 72 hours; Corporations, 72 hours; Jurisdiction and Procedure in Equity, 72 hours; Partnership, 72 hours; Property, 72 hours; Surety and Mortgage, 72 hours. Books used: Ames's Cases on Partnership; Gray's Cases on Property, Vols. 5 and 6.

"Extra courses.—Patent Law, 10 lectures; Peculiarities of Massachusetts Law and Practice, 2 hours a week.