

with a membership of 90, there are but fourteen graduates; in the House of Representatives, with a membership of 386, there are but twenty-two graduates.

From these statistics I hope no one will argue that university training unfits for public life, or that the electors entertain any feeling of jealousy or hostility towards university graduates. Other things being equal the educated man has a decided advantage over his uneducated opponent in political contests, and though a university degree is not a passport to the affections of the electors, it has its own peculiar charm where united

with the other qualifications, and even if it should be admitted that the elector is less inclined to fasten his choice upon a graduate of a university than upon some other person of inferior education, that circumstance by no means relieves the alumni of our universities from qualifying themselves for serving the State. In fact, the only return the State gets for the vast expenditure on education is in the better equipment of its citizens, not for business nor for trade simply, but for those higher spheres of life upon the efficiency and intelligence of which the State depends.



HIS OPINION.

THE PROFESSOR:—"Yes, strong young men are needed in those stables about as badly as Hercules was needed in certain other stables. Some of the 'old war horses' have left them in bad shape."

THE UNIVERSITY MAN (YOUNG) IN POLITICS.

It is a very ancient and trite observation that men are liable to flattery in proportion to what they can give; and that the less money and influence a man has the more directly and copiously is he apt to hear the truth. The university student is a singular exception to

this law. He has no money—only sufficient for board and books. He has no traceable political influence—his mere vote in the riding he came from. Nevertheless it is customary for even astute politicians to attend college functions and assure this unsubstantial citizen that the future destinies of this fair Canada-of-Ours are in his hands, and beseech the new-mown graduate to