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WE are almost on the eve of another election, and yet there does not seem to be the slightest stir anent the approaching "event" of the session. Perhaps the intending candidates are profiting the time in genial hand-shaking and how-do-ye-do's, and in all probability when the contest opens it will be all the more furious. It is to be hoped that men, who, in the past have shown an interest in the welfare of the society will be in the field, and that the most deserving and best qualified will stand at the head of the poll.

THE Alma Mater Society is planning a new departure in the way of providing entertainment both for its members and the citizens of Kingston generally. A lecture from T. DeWit Talmage is on the tapis, and we hope soon to be in a position to announce to the public that the Society has secured the services of this eminent lecturer and orator. This departure, if carried out,

is an important one and one which will involve considerable responsibility, but we are confident that the people of Kingston will show in a substantial way that they appreciate the efforts of the Society in thus affording them an opportunity of hearing the greatest preacher on this continent at the present day.

REFORM is certainly necessary in the *modus operandi* of our Alma Mater elections. Hitherto there has been the greatest confusion from the opening until the closing of the poll. Many voters, contrary to their wishes, have had to spend the whole evening at the hall where the election took place, waiting for their turn to poll their votes, and for this very reason many votes have not been polled.

Some plan might easily be devised whereby all this confusion and inconvenience could be avoided. The plan of open voting is a barbarous one, and when the other reforms to which we have referred, are effected, as we are advised they will at the next election, we hope also to see the plan of voting by ballot substituted for the open vote.

THE Dialectic Club does not seem to have got astir as yet this session. The club possesses the nucleus of a library of philosophical works which would doubtless be of much advantage to students even in the junior class, but as no opportunity has yet been afforded them of becoming members of the club, they are deprived of what might prove a valuable aid in the study of Metaphysics. The discussions at