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NOW that the elections are over and the accompanying agitation of the political atmosphere has somewhat subsided, we may perhaps, with some degree of pleasure and profit, hear and give heed to the echoes from the field of strife.

A word or two as to the mode of conducting our elections and the exercise of their franchise by our students. If, in dealing with this problem, we assume an oracular tone, we hope the Sophomore Oracle will not consider it an infringement upon his peculiar privileges. Knowing that the way of transgressors is hard we have no desire to be found transgressing in this respect. That there should be an A. M. S. election no one will dare to deny. That this election should be held at the time of the year, week and

day most suitable for attaining the object in view, and most convenient for the electors every one will agree. That the time of year and week at present selected are the best is universally agreed, but that the time of day is best is open to grave doubts. Of course it may be urged that the results of the election being known immediately after the close of the poll, the necessity for earlier closing is obviated. This partly meets the objection, but not wholly. For what student is there, with soul so dead, who never to himself has said: "This is the night of our A. M. S. election. We are a noble order. Let us make long speeches, congratulate each other, sing merry songs and cheer to our hearts' content, even at the risk of being 'run in by some wandering *Cob.*'" In the face of these facts, therefore, we think the poll should close not later than 7 p.m., and open sufficiently early to allow every elector to poll his vote. Why not make the hours of opening and closing the poll coincide with those of our municipal and other elections? We hope this suggestion will merit the early attention of the executive committee of the A. M. S. Grave as are the objections to the time of the elections, the objections to the mode of conducting them are of a far more serious character. We profess to elect our candidates by ballot-vote. Practically it is an open poll, in which one man may dictate to his fellows for whom to vote and for whom not to vote. Is it because the executive committee of the A. M. S. knew of no better way that the arrangements for the past election were foisted upon us? Surely not! Let us see to it in