

But Girton and Newnham find it difficult to get along with their present resources, and such institutions can never become numerous. They would never have been established had women been admitted freely to colleges already in existence, and therefore "the prevailing opinion" of which Mr. M'Intyre speaks is simply the prevailing opinion of the sex which is in possession of the educational facilities and refuses to share them. In Manchester a similar outside college for women was, not long ago, endowed for five years; but the endowment is not likely to be renewed, and when the time expires the women will be admitted to the regular classes in Owens College. In University College, London, women were admitted several years ago to lectures in separate classes, but the inconvenience of this arrangement was so great that at the instance of the professors themselves, the mixed system was adopted with general satisfaction. My authorities on this point are, Prof. Foxwell, the successor of the late Prof. Jevons, in University College, and Prof. Schurman, of Dalhousie College, who was a student in London both before and after the mixed system was introduced. I may here add that Dr. Schurman is a strong advocate of the mixed system as the best, apart altogether from the question of economy. So far from being against mixed classes in colleges, the prevailing opinion in England is strongly in their favour.

Mr. M'Intyre is equally astray in his reference to what is taking place in the United States. The admission of women to Michigan University fifteen years ago, was not the result of the woman's rights agitation; but of a desire on the part of the management to give women an opportunity to acquire such an education as they could at that time acquire nowhere else. Not long ago the accomplished Principal of Wellesley College, which

is devoted to women only, heard at an educational convention a remark hostile to mixed classes, and she promptly silenced the speaker by telling him that her own university training had been obtained as a member of a mixed class in Michigan University, and that she had no objection to the system. The admission of women to Cornell was not due to the woman's rights agitation; but to the deliberate act of the Faculty, who appointed a committee twelve years ago, to collect evidence before coming to a decision. Quite recently Dr. White, the President, bore emphatic testimony to the complete success of the experiment, even from a moral and social point of view. Dr. Barnard, President of Columbia College, is the most effective advocate of mixed classes in the United States; but Dr. Barnard has never to my knowledge, taken any part in the woman's rights movement.

Mr. M'Intyre is still more unfair, in dealing with the question as it affects Canada. Admitting that it is premature to draw conclusions from an experiment so recently entered on, he nevertheless proceeds to compare the attendance of women at University College, Toronto, with the attendance at McGill College, Montreal. He ought to know, that the doors of University College were opened on the first day of the session, to women, not only without previous announcement that they would be opened, but after assertions repeated for five or six years, that women would never be admitted. If Mr. M'Intyre will postpone his comparisons for five years, he will be permitted by that time to make them without protest; and if the authorities of McGill College attempt to keep up the absurdly complicated system they have promulgated, of separate classes for the earlier years and mixed classes for the later, it needs no prophet to see which system will be preferred by women who are in earnest about self-