

The degree of M.A. is given upon the successful completion of one year's work in residence subsequent to graduation. There is some discussion at present upon the advisability of having the course for the degree of B.A. completed in three years, making it a business man's degree, and that of M.A., the teacher's degree, completed in five years after matriculation.

The degree of Ph.D. *may* be attained upon the completion of two years' work in residence subsequent to graduation. As a matter of fact it is very rarely obtained in less than three years. Then it is granted only upon the presentation of something original. The mere putting in of time never counts towards the attainment of this degree at Harvard.

Much concerning the character of a college may be learned from the appearance of the place where the work is done, and where the men live. The appearance of the Harvard buildings typifies the business-like, practical character of the New Englander. If you expect architectural beauty, you have come to the wrong place. James Russell Lowell, a son whose name Harvard delights to honor, has said of the college buildings,

" There, in red brick which softening time defies,  
Stand square and stiff the Muses' factories."

Yet in spite of the plainness there is a charm about these old buildings which is very pleasing. The plainness of the buildings has its compensation, however, in the beauty of the "Yard" with its velvet sward and tall graceful elms.

Facing on the quadrangle are twelve buildings, Massachusetts (1720), Harvard (1765), Hollis (1763), Stoughton (1805), Holworthy (1812), Thayer, University, Weld, Boylston, Ware, and Matthews. Of these Massachusetts Hall (1720) is the oldest, Harvard Hall (1765) was stripped of its roof during the revolution, the lead being used for bullets. Other buildings in The Yard are Dane Hall, the old Law School, Wadsworth House (1626), the former residence of the presidents; Holden Chapel (1744), now used by the Y. M. C. A.; Phillips Brook's house, in memory of him whose name it bears, just being completed, Fogg Museum of Art, Appleton Chapel, Sever Hall, used for recitations, and Gore Hall, the library. Adjoining The Yard is Me-