

himself to the late article in the JOURNAL, (which, by the way, I neither wrote directly or indirectly, nor have even yet read). I, at least, am aware that I am not the only pebble on the beach, and therefore I beg Mr. Scott to argue the question of Close Corporation with the men who have formed four successive Legislatures of Ontario, with the men who have formed two successive Legislatures of Manitoba, with Sir Sandford Fleming who informed the Premier that the "Bill is repugnant to the spirit of the Canadian people," with the unanimous vote of the Canadian Mining Institute to send protest to the Premier against the late Bill, with the Legislature of Nova Scotia which has rejected it, with the Attorney-General of Ontario for his speech regarding the late Bill in the House a week ago, with the students of McGill who two weeks ago in the face of most specious attempts to misinform them voted against the Bill, with the students of Queen's who have never yet faltered in their determination to strive for their liberty to practise their profession in Canada, untrammelled by the lords of a Close Corporation.

Let Mr. Scott argue this question with the Faculty of the Science department of Queen's, which has unanimously protested against the Bill, and by the time he has measured the forces arrayed against the retrograde proclivities of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, I fancy he will hesitate before seeking membership in an ill-designed organization, which is up against the spirit of the time, and can not be taught that the ideas for which it is contending are defunct.

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Mr. Scott's letter in the Science column of the last JOURNAL has elicited a good deal of comment and criticism from both students and graduates of this school.

We quote from a letter written to us by one of the latter in justification of the Dominion Institute of Amalgamated Engineering.

"Mr. Scott boasts, and he has a right to boast, of being the first graduate in civil engineering, but that was in 1898, four years ago. So for four long, lean years Tom toiled and practised in blissful ignorance of the merits of those meek and lowly Philanthropists known as the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers.

Now, since Mr. Scott has been appointed to a situation under the Resident Engineer of the Canadian Niagara Power Co., ex-professor of McGill, Councillor of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, etc., etc., a change has come o'er the spirit of his dreams. Is it because a bill was lately introduced into the legislature that would, if passed, cause T. S. Scott's bread and butter to vanish, or because he can escape this bill by becoming a member of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, by virtue of a friend at court and possibly by having the opportunity of writing a letter for the purpose of seducing the allegiance of Queen's students from their cause?

Mr. Scott objects to the word "fossil" and yet he ought to know there is a department of the University where fossils are labelled and treated with the greatest respect. It may have been an Honour Geology man that used the term. He says it is not well to call names, yet he characterized that high and disinterested devotion of Profes-