

now this "unlettered boor," and we will grant the appellation may be applied to him until he has passed the High School entrance, will take any one of the roads open to him for matriculation, and the two medical examinations where an average of $52\frac{1}{4}$ and $66\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. only succeed in passing, and "compass the whole into four years," he will display more ability than is to be found among ordinary students; and, we will go farther and say, that it would be an outrage to hamper such a *luminary* by exacting four years after matriculation. The doctor, in his great distaste for the course forced upon the Council by the Minister of Education, is seeing through spectacles too gloomy by far.

He proceeds to assign a cause for the Minister of Education taking this course. It is with the cause assigned we must specially quarrel, as we believe it is calculated to mislead. The doctor was on the committee of the Council opposing this new course, and he says, "I learned, without much surprise, that it had been represented to the Government that in making provision for the changes proposed, it would only be giving official effect to relaxations in the Council's curriculum and matriculation requirements which had been recognized and granted prior to 1895 by the Committee on Education, and which were still sanctioned and acted upon by the Executive Committee, the latter body having admitted one or more applicants to the very last Council examinations on this shortened course." This sentence contains much we would like to know about. If Dr. Sangster obtained this information from the members of the Government when he was acting as a member of the Committee on Legislation, why did he scrupulously withhold it from fellow-members of the committee? Why did he allow them to be deceived when the Minister of Education gave them to understand *the Council had been too rigid, and that because of this, hardships of various kinds had grown up; that he was making the change to relieve these and clear the slate once for all?* At the subsequent meeting in June, when the doctor was an active member of the Education Committee, and these changes were repeatedly discussed, why did he allow the committee to work on without enlightening them as to the cause of the change? He knew that such knowledge would lead to a tightened rein. Yet he left them under the delusion that they had been too rigid and exacting, and that the Government interfered to make the way more easy. Why should the Council have been kept in ignorance? Here all these delinquent committees could have been brought to book and reproved for their "treacherous laxity." But Dr. Sangster seals his lips and withholds this information until the