

amination without being required to pass in the non-professional subjects.

3. The same privilege is secured for Undergraduates of the Fourth Year who have passed the Examination for the Third Year.

4. Those who are not yet prepared to qualify in the modes above described, have still the opportunity allowed by the former Regulations of obtaining a special Certificate, if the circumstances are deemed such as to warrant this privilege.

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the profession to a course of lectures on Sound, which are at present being delivered, under the auspices of the Canadian Institute, Toronto, by Dr. Koenig, an accomplished acoustician of Paris, and Prof. Loudon, of University College. The lectures, six in number, are to be illustrated by a series of novel and interesting experiments explanatory of the phenomena of Sounds, their qualities and propagation, the methods of studying and communicating vibrations, and other curious matter embraced in the science of acoustics. The opportunity of witnessing these experiments conducted by eminent specialists of our own and other lands should not be omitted by such of our High School Masters, at least, as are interested in scientific studies and the methods of scientific investigation. Application for tickets for the course may be made to Mr. James Bain, jr., the Honorary Secretary of the Canadian Institute.

THE trouble with modest merit is, that, from want of confidence, it rarely does itself justice. If the correspondence of the MONTHLY continues to be of the flattering character of that we have recently received, we shall soon bravely get over the disadvantages from which we have hitherto suffered. Here are extracts from two letters to this office lately to hand. We trust we shall be pardoned in publishing them. One communication, we ought to say, enclosed \$5 for the back volumes of the MONTHLY. We borrow a phrase from a contemporary: "Acts speak louder than words!"

"Permit me to add a word expressing my unqualified admiration of the honest and manly course pursued by you in the MONTHLY, in upholding the dignity of the profession, and in waging valiant warfare against the sham and aimless tinkering that has of late years been practised by the educational powers that be. Yours truly, ———."

"The C. E. MONTHLY is deserving of the highest commendation for the thoroughly independent course it has taken, for still man-

fully performing a noble work, neither bowing nor cringing before any class or any monopolist; but faithfully, honestly, and perseveringly performing its duty to all true friends of education. Yours very faithfully, ———."

For these encouraging and appreciative words we return our correspondents our grateful thanks. We are human and we like them.

SINCE Dr. Goldwin Smith's return to Canada we have repeatedly been asked if there is any likelihood of a resumption of the *Bystander*. Our readers will be glad to learn that there is, the pressure brought to bear on the brilliant magazinist having been effectual in extorting the promise to issue the periodical quarterly, beginning with the first of the year. A new volume of much interest may also be looked for at an early date from Professor Smith's pen. The work, we understand, will be entitled "British Policy," and will review many questions of the day on which its learned author holds decided opinions, to wit: Party Government, Hereditary Monarchy, the Established Church, the Irish, Foreign, Colonial, and Fiscal Policy of England, etc., etc.

WESTON HIGH SCHOOL, in a modest but self-possessed way, has just issued a record of the work of the institution at the last University and Intermediate Examinations, together with a synopsis of results since 1875. The results are highly creditable to the school, and evidence the careful scholarship and high professional standing of the principal, Mr. George Wallace, B.A. The school, it appears, has a record, since 1875, of 15 University matriculants, who took 17 honors in subjects ranging over the entire school course, together with a goodly array of subsequent honors and scholarships. During the same period, 51 out of 70 of its candidates passed the Intermediate. Thorough work will always tell.

MR. ARCHIBALD LAMPMAN, of Toronto, has received the appointment to the Classical Mastership in the Orangeville High School. Mr. Lampman is a son of Rev. A. Lampman, and has had a distinguished scholastic career both in the Port Hope School and in Trinity College, ranking first each year in both of these institutions, and bearing away the leading prizes, honors, and scholarships. We have seen some of Mr. Lampman's contributions to the press of verse and essay writing, which are full of excellent promise. We congratulate Orangeville on obtaining Mr. Lampman's services.