

THE *Law Quarterly* regrets that the authorities of the Law School have made their appointments of teachers for a fixed term of three years, a system which has been discarded even by the Inns of Court in England. The writer thus expresses himself: "Those who maintain such a system have their choice of two theories. One is that any practising barrister can teach law. The other is that law cannot or need not be taught at all, and that if law lectureships are established as a sop to public opinion they should be treated as a lucrative perquisite to be passed round among members of the Bar of a certain standing whose time is not fully occupied with practice."

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WE trust it may not be necessary in this country to look into the law as to whether a collegiate faculty can be compelled by mandamus to grant a degree to a contumacious student, but it will be of interest to note the decision of *People ex rel. O'Sullivan v. New York School*, decided in the Supreme Court of New York. As we learn from the *American Law Review*, the substance of the decision was that colleges are to be governed by the faculty, and not by the students, and that when a student undertakes to dictate to the faculty as to the course to be pursued in the conduct of the institution, and accompanies his dictation with a threat, the faculty may refuse his degree for which he has passed a satisfactory examination, and to which he is otherwise entitled, by way of mere discipline; but while the courts uphold this action in refusing a diploma to the recalcitrant student, they expressed the opinion that he was entitled to a certificate of attendance, and of having passed a satisfactory examination.

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THE appointment of Sir Horace Davey, Q.C., to the Lord Justiceship of the Court of Appeal in England, vacated by Lord Bowen, seems to give general satisfaction to the profession. *The Law Journal*, whilst regretting that Mr. Justice Chitty, the Senior Judge of the Chancery Division, was not promoted to fill the vacancy, says that no appointment more intrinsically admirable than that of Sir Horace Davey could not well have been made. The writer continues: "His supreme position among