

HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

UNIVERSITY AFFILIATION.

Two Institutes have, we understand, applied to the Senate of the University of Toronto for affiliation. This new departure has, we believe, been caused by the existence of a regulation which precludes the winner of a scholarship from holding it unless when in attendance at an affiliated institution, and by the absence of any provision for the higher education of women, these institutes claiming that they have made such provisions of a suitable character. Affiliation has been granted to the Woodstock Institute on condition that its students will not become candidates for scholarships at Junior Matriculation. The necessity for this restriction is not obvious, and there can be no doubt that the Institutes referred to would refuse affiliation on such conditions. In our next issue we shall discuss this subject.

BOGUS ADVERTISEMENTS.

No one can object to a Head Master advertising the advantages offered by his school and the record of the achievements of his pupils. To what extent this is to be done is a question between his Board and his constitutional modesty. But a mode of advertising has of late been adopted that is decidedly unprofessional. It is an axiom amongst reputable teachers that a school is only entitled to the credit of work actually done in its class-rooms. A degree of lustre is, no doubt, shed upon it by the subsequent successes of its pupils, but for a school to claim, without a word of explanation, the credit of the success of a former student at the examination for call to the Bar, or, say, for a gold medal in Natural Science obtained at Graduation, "and the same with intent to deceive," is simply extorting credit under false pretences.

SCHOLARSHIPS TO WOMEN.

We are happy to be able to announce that, at the last meeting of the Senate of Toronto University, a statute was passed that does away with the restrictions against

women holding scholarships. The statute is, we understand, intended to be retrospective also; so that Miss Chisholm, of the Hamilton Institute, and Miss Charles of the St. Catharines Institute, will now, we presume, receive the amount of the scholarships, the honour only of which they have hitherto enjoyed. We heartily endorse this action on the part of the University Senate. It will do much to encourage the growth of the present movement on behalf of the higher education of women, and is only justice to the young ladies who have so highly distinguished themselves.

THE INTERMEDIATE.

FOR the last half year of 1879 the per caput Upper School Grant was \$4. The probability is that for last half year it will be about \$2 or \$2.50. As the High School Intermediate Examination—pure and simple—is admittedly of no use as a means of classifying pupils, as in very many localities it will cost more to hold the examination than the amount of the Upper School Grant based thereon, and as this examination is a hindrance to education in many localities, and, we make bold to say, a serious drawback in many of the schools that do the higher class of work, perhaps some admirer of what the High School masters as a body regard as an unmitigated nuisance, will oblige us by demonstrating the necessity for its continued existence.

TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

PROGRAMME FOR HIGH SCHOOL SECTION.

August 10th.—9.00—12.00.—*Text Books and Departmental Examinations*, introduced by H. I. Strang, B.A., High School, Goderich, and D. C. McHenry, M.A., Coll. Inst., Cobourg.

August 11th.—9.00—12.00.—*I. Legislative Aid for Secondary Education*, introduced by A. Porslow, B.A., LL.B., High School, Port Hope, and A. P. Knight, M.A., Coll. Inst., Kingston.