

ting of the Court. This, of course, must be left for the Senior year to attend to, and we hope they will gravely take it under their august consideration.

WE are glad to see that the wearing of the full academic costume is being advocated among the students and encouraged by the Professors. The wearing of the gown has always been considered necessary, but the claims of the cap have been entirely overlooked, owing, we presume, to the rigor of the weather during part of the session. The consequence of this has been that when the students appear with their gowns they have a kind of half-finished appearance, which the present movement in favor of the wearing of the cap will abolish. We hope all the students will soon be of one mind on the subject, and that (except of course at times when furs are necessary) in future no gown will be seen unless accompanied by the orthodox "mortar board."

IN about a month the annual meeting of the Alma Mater Society will be held, and as it is at that meeting usually that any necessary changes in the Constitution are made, we wish to mention a change which many seem to think desirable that it may be thought over by those most interested.

At present the regular meetings held on the Saturday evenings throughout the session are all of the same nature, the first part of the evening being devoted to business, and the remainder to a debate on some chosen subject or the reading of an essay. Now often this remainder resembles in too many respects a mathematical point, owing to the fulness with which many of the questions are discussed. This free discussion we are by no means desirous of limiting, but think that the change we propose would, while not doing this, tend to the ignoring of many very unimportant subjects now so often

brought up. It is this: that one evening in the month be devoted entirely to business, and if this be not sufficient that a special meeting be called therefor; that another be devoted to the reading and criticism of an essay; and that the other two or three as the case may be, be given over wholly to debating. This is merely in general what one desirous of moving it would have to make particular before it would be in a form to be voted on, but we think that such a change would greatly further the objects the Society has in view.

CHIEF Justice Moss, at a recent meeting of Toronto University Convocation, referred to University College as being non-sectarian and as not teaching the dogmas of any form of christian belief, as if in this it differed from those colleges belonging to any special denomination of christianity. We had thought before this that the impression that "the dogmas of any form of christian belief" were of necessity taught in what are called denominational colleges, only lingered in the minds of those who through ignorance or apathy have ceased to inform themselves concerning the progress of events, and we don't think that it has previously been considered necessary to mention in our columns the non-sectarianism of the course at Queen's in Medicine and Arts. In these two departments may be found adherents of all denominations, Protestant and Catholic, and throughout the course the student does not hear one word as to christian dogmas that might not be uttered in University College itself. To be sure it is one of the Professors in the Divinity Hall in connection with Queen's who is the Principal of the University, but the influence exerted by him is only that which might be expected from an eminent christian minister in such a position. That Presbyterianism gave birth and nourishment to Queen's University, as