

do? Our University courses, in the excellence of which we take an honest pride, are closed to them. To be candid, they are too old. A course of metaphysics, and literary and historical criticism, through the medium of private lectures, suggests itself. An excellent plan no doubt, but one that is fraught with so many difficulties, that we seriously doubt its soundness. Our professors, for instance, are already overburdened; a certain number of pupils would be requisite, to warrant a professor; should he be found, in undertaking such extra labor, and lastly the courage and will power—not always found—to persevere in returning from the busy world to the rank of a student. But we have shown the dark side of the picture. There remain two other channels, both of which are well calculated to repair, in a measure at least, the damage caused by early negligence or lack of opportunity. The first of these is the Catholic Association, in which is fostered a love for study, research, and consequent improvement, made possible by the aid of a well and carefully selected library. This should be supplemented at seasonable intervals by lectures on philosophy, literature, or history, thus supplying material for friendly discussion and opening up new vistas of knowledge into which the members will afterwards be able to penetrate alone and unaided. The second channel, and a still more promising one, is a Catholic Summer School. Its efficacy is now called into question by none, and though we are not yet ripe for a Canadian Summer School, we trust that very soon it will be a potent factor in the elevation and enlightenment of our people, and a new bond of union between the clergy and the flock. With these means at our disposal a new order of things will soon set in, when the Church will be strong through the zeal, energy, and enthusiasm of her ministers and strong also through the faith and de-

votedness of her children, for whom her defence will always be a willing and an easy task.

OTTAWA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS
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Ottawa University men who visit the World's Fair will find all the past volumes of the OWL in the Catholic Branch of the Literary Department, and current numbers in the Canadian Section of the Newspaper Pavilion. We hope that this is not the only reminder of Alma Mater in store for them.

Our exchanges show that the graduates and undergraduates of numbers of colleges have considered the advantage of knowing just where to find fellow-alumni and fellow-students who may be at the Fair, and have insured that advantage by agreeing to leave their names and addresses at a given place. Were Ottawa men to take no steps in such a direction we would think it somewhat regrettable; it would mean the neglect of an opportunity of bringing together long-parted friends, of having different generations of students form an acquaintance, and the loss perhaps of many other advantages which readily suggest themselves.

The ad. of Mr. H. M. Frey in this issue, we think suggests a plan. Mr. Frey was at one time a member of the corridor and graduated B.L. in '85. After leaving College he turned his attention to commercial pursuits, and it will afford the many friends he made in College and in the City of Ottawa much pleasure to learn that he has met with considerable success. His enterprise in drawing Ottawa University students' attention to a venture of his during the World's Fair, will, we hope, be appreciated by many of those who visit Chicago this year. We are certain that those who patronize him will find pleasant quarters and a most agreeable entertainer,