

Society will carefully deal with the subject and amend this pernicious practice, as we think it ought to be discountenanced; and we are convinced that there are few students who are not of the same opinion. As the Principal stated, none of the members are responsible for the present state of things, and therefore they should have no delicacy in dealing with the matter. And it appears that it is high time something was being done. If, as a correspondent says, a certain professor in the Medical College, while engaged in his professorial duties in the class-room, asked the students under his care to vote for the medical candidate, he did an act which at least was not commendable. The students themselves are able to judge as to who should represent them in the Alma Mater Society. The offices in the Society ought to be filled by the best men, either from the college or university, judged by their own merits and not because they belong to any particular institution. It is not desirable that there should be an annual fight between the two institutions; and party spirit of this nature should not exist in the Society. The aim of the members should be to cement and strengthen the union between the university and the college and not to attempt to disunite and estrange the one from the other. What a confusion and ungainly sight would the election have presented if, for instance, the arts and divinity professors had exercised their influence in their class-rooms in favour of the arts candidate. It would have been an undignified act, and one which we trust the students would have resented as an interference with their freedom of election.

THE people of Kingston have always appreciated the influence of the university and medical college in their midst. In return somewhat for this recognition the Faculty of Queen's have generously resolved

to extend the privileges of a university training to those who, from pressure of business or otherwise, are unable to attend during the day, by organizing evening classes. There are many young men in Kingston and neighbourhood who ought to prize this opportunity. The scheme has met with much success in the old country, not only in England, but in Scotland. In Glasgow thousands of business young men attend evening classes in connection with the Athenæum, Y. M. C. A., and Andersonian College, and the subjects of study are almost as varied as are the requirements. In connection with the Y. M. C. A. alone there are during the winter months from 60 to 70 classes in operation. In London there is an institution for young men, from about fourteen years of age to twenty-one, where, in addition to elementary subjects, real practical instruction is given in trades and professions, as well as in the arts and sciences. For admission into this institution there are more applicants than accommodation. *The Young Men's Christian Magazine*, of Scotland, says "that the institute is doing a great and noble work among the young artizans of London; that it has a membership of over 4,000, and that 8,500 students' tickets were issued last session for the various educational and technical classes." Experience has shown that the great majority of young men who attend evening classes do so having in view the future. Invariably the subjects they chose are more or less in the line of their daily calling or profession to which they are looking forward. No doubt the Faculty are keeping this fact in view. Professor Watson has already kindly volunteered his services in that line of thought which he is so competent to communicate; and we trust that professors who deal with subjects, perhaps of a more practical nature, will soon follow in his footsteps.