

schools to establish a plan such as that which is described here. It is intended to divide the subjects in which medical students are instructed into two parts so that the preliminary education, which usually occupies two years, may be received in the universities. The final years of instruction will be given by teaching bodies connected with the hospitals, where alone experience in the practice of medicine can be gained.

The subjects studied in Faculties of Arts, in Theological Schools and in Faculties of Applied Science can be taught just as well in the country as in the town; in a rural university, students intending to become engineers would receive practical work, as at present, during the term in workshops and laboratories connected with the university and, during their vacations, through actual employment in machine shops and factories.

In the two following sections the advantages offered respectively by urban and rural university sites are considered in greater detail.

2. THE ADVANTAGES OF AN URBAN SITE.

One of the advantages most often claimed for an urban site is, that a large number of young men and women living in the town containing the university are enabled to go to college, because they can attend lectures while still living at home. It is also asserted to be an advantage for those who are so situated that they reach manhood without being forced to break the family ties which should be so important in forming and strengthening a man's moral character. Some of these things may be true, but a university is established for the advantage of all those who support it; it is not right that the inhabitants of any one city should benefit particularly by the presence of a university supported by a Province or a district as a whole, if it can be shown that the best interests of that university require that its site should be a rural one. It has happened in the establishment of universities in the United States that local influence, rather than a consideration of the best interests of the universities, has been able to