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THAT the Conference of the Theological Alumni of Queen's, which closed yesterday, was a pronounced success is proved by the following facts: (1) That those who were able to take the whole course without interruption mourned that it could not have been continued for at least a month; (2) That those who came for the second week regretted that they had missed the first lectures and resolved that they would be "on time," should there be a Conference next year; (3) that those who were summoned home in the middle of the course to attend to pressing duties returned, though that meant for them double railway fares. These facts are significant to all who know what a busy month February is for Canadian ministers, and what their average salary amounts to. We may give impressions of the Conference in our next number, but in the meantime content ourselves with pointing out to a correspondent that members were late for the 9 o'clock class probably because they lived in homes that breakfast late.

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We have it on high authority that a change is to be made in the Honour Course in Philosophy. The course is to be divided into three parts-Greek, English and French and German Philosophy; the study of Kant is to be reduced to a subsidiary part of each course; any two of these new courses will constitute a complete M. A. course; whilst any one of them may be taken as a half course along with Latin, Greek, English, Modern History or Political Science. This is a radical change and may be looked on as a step towards that good time coming when you can " put a dime in the slot and take out a complete education." For the student can now take up the particular course to which his inclination points and can also develope his "wonder" faculty by exploring the realm of Critical Philosophy. This, no doubt, is a " consummation devoutly to be wished " and we predict for the new course immense popularity. But to one who is still at the "common sense point of view" a seeming difficulty arises. At present three entire years is considered necessary for the Honour work in Philosophy alone, and good students who have gone through it say it is difficult even then to get comfortably located at its mysterious " point of view," so that dualism or fleshly lust may tempt us from its heavenly seat. How the student is to accomplish this along with another honour subject in two or three years is a question which we are forced reluctantly to leave unsolved.

In a previous number, we gave selections, from British Review Notices, of Professor Dupuis' last book, that our readers might have some idea of how much it is appreciated by mathematicians. The following, from "The University Correspondent" of November last, the periodical in which university men exchange their views, shows such an insight into its merits that we publish it almost *in extenso* :--

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The Principles of Elementary Algebra. By N.F. DUPUIS, M.A., F.R.S.E. (Macmillan, 6s.)

In this admirable text-book we have a work of quite an exceptional character, which will tend to counteract some of the ill effects of modern examinations. It professes to be,