

IN the University Question, which is at present occupying the minds of many, there is one argument, which has been used by those who take the side of University College, that is without the shadow of a foundation. We do not mean to deal with the question as a whole, but only with part of it which has for its burden the cry 'denominational'; and in this connection we speak only of Queen's. Those who maintain that Queen's College is denominational maintain it against its every undergraduate. In vain do those, who know best whether Arts College our University is denominational or not, lay stress upon the fact that we have in attendance students of all denominations. We have in actual attendance students studying with a view to the Episcopalian and Methodist as well as the Presbyterian ministry. In vain do we insist that our Arts professors are not all Presbyterian. The cry of 'denominational' is still cast in our teeth. We protest against this treatment. We, as undergraduates, have borne with it in silence as long as we could, but now we tell those who are interested in the discussion, that those who have spoken in behalf of Queen's are not prevaricators. They have simply spoken the truth. They have stated the bare facts. But we suppose that our opponents with their characteristic disregard of facts, will hold their heads in the air and say, 'a feeble argument—a weak, very weak statement,' which only means in plain Anglo-Saxon 'a falsehood.'

What is 'denominational'? (1) We do not stamp a college denominational because it has more students attending its classes of one denomination than of any other. If so then we plead guilty to the stigma denominational, and our Arts College would then be not simply denominational but Presbyterian. But if that is the true view of the case, then with equal justice are University College and McGill called denominational, for each of these must have a greater number

of students of one denomination than of any other. Indeed it is probable that these colleges would not only be denominational but also Presbyterian. But they will laugh at us if we dub them 'denominational.' Let them know that our undergraduates laugh, if not so loud, at least as heartily, when they call us 'denominational.'

(2) We do not stamp a college 'denominational' because the majority of its professors belong to one denomination. If so, we are again Presbyterian. But University College and McGill will be, if not Presbyterian, then Methodist, Baptist, Episcopalian, Independent or Roman Catholic. We beg to submit that Methodist, Baptist, &c., &c., are denominational equally with Presbyterian.

(3) We have studied the question thoroughly, and the only reason why we, rather than Toronto University should be called denominational, is that we have not got a distinct and separate name for our Theological Department. The whole dispute turns upon the name. The reports of the Theological Department appear occasionally in *The Presbyterian Record* under the caption 'Queen's College.' People, amongst whom we are compelled to class those supporters of University College, who have taken up the denominational cry, understand, by 'Queen's College,' Divinity, Arts, Medicine and Law combined. But such is not the case. The Theological Department is all with which the *Record* has to do directly. When it speaks of the Arts College it is not because it is an Arts College of the Presbyterian Church, but simply because many attending its classes are Presbyterian.

We come now to the consideration which has given birth to all the previous discussion. We think the Senate would do well to take in hand the advisability of giving to Divinity Hall a name of its own. Queen's College means simply the Arts and Science departments, Queen's University includes the Theological department, Queen's College, The Royal Medical College, The Women's Medical College and the Faculty of Law. All these except the first have names of their own, while all come under the general term 'Queen's University.' There is the Knox College (Theological), Toronto and the Presbyterian College, (Theological), Mon-