

At the present time there are eight recent graduates who have been appointed by the President as Second-Lieutenants and who are now serving with their regiments in the Philippine Islands.

It is therefore maintained that in sending out annually into the various professions and occupations of life a number of Alumni well educated and trained upon the lines of instruction indicated above, and who for the most part continue to reside in Maryland, the College is doing a work of highest benefit to the State, and is strictly fulfilling the object specified in its charter, viz.: "To train up and perpetuate a succession of able and honest men for discharging the various offices and duties of life, both civil and religious, with usefulness and reputation.

Students as Teachers.

Inasmuch as the college has for many years been engaged in training young men to act as teachers in the public schools of the State, I would incidentally mention that, in my opinion, an alteration should be made in the existing law which requires graduated students of St. John's College to pass an examination under the county examiners before they can be eligible to teach in any county of the State.

It is a manifest injustice that graduates of St. John's while recognized in every university of the land and accorded a standing by virtue of their diploma to all post-graduate work, should yet be denied any recognition in the public school system of our own State. This puts them at a disadvantage in comparison with graduates of the Normal School, who are not again examined before receiving a teacher's certificate; and also with graduates of Washington College, who are empowered by the General Assenbly of 1896 to teach without undergoing a special examination at the hands of the county school examiners.

The same privilege of exemption should be accorded those who possess a diploma of graduation from St. John's College.

Course of Study.

The course of study in each class is specified in detail in the annual catalogue of the college for 1898-99,