

to by Chancellor Boyd, Judges Rose and Falconbridge, and Rev. Dr. Caven. Prof. Badgeley, of Victoria, and Dr. Willmott, of the Dental College, replied for "Sister Institutions"; Dr. O'Reilly and Mr. W. S. Lee for the "General Hospital"; Dr. H. A. Bruce and Mr. E. E. Harvey for the "Graduates and Graduating Classes"; Dr. James McCallum and Mr. W. P. Thompson for "Athletics," the outside college representatives for "Sister Institutions"; Mr. E. E. Sheppard for the "Press"; Mr. W. McArthur for the "Ladies," and Mr. H. A. Macklem for the "Freshmen."

During the evening several of the students contributed to the enjoyment of those present by musical selections, vocal and instrumental.

The officers of the dinner were:—Honorary member, Dr. John Caven: President, Dr. W. P. Thompson, B.A.; First Vice-President, J. Crawford; Second Vice-President, T. W. C. McKay; Honorary Secretary, J. A. McNaughton; Committee, fourth year, F. G. Grant, J. H. Shouldice; third year, J. D. Curtis, W. C. Laidlaw, E. B. Fisher; second year, J. R. Lancaster, M. O. Klotz, E. T. Kellam; first year, W. T. Tait, H. M. Cunningham, W. F. Callfas and A. H. Macklem.

ANNUAL DINNER OF TRINITY MEDICAL COLLEGE.

The sixteenth annual dinner was held at the Rossin House on the evening of November 29. About three hundred students and their guests sat down to an excellent repast. Among the guests present were: Chancellor G. W. Allan of Trinity University, His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto, Mr. Barlow Cumberland, Dean Geikie, Dr. Graham, Dr. Grasett, Mr. Walter S. Lee, Principal MacMurchy, Dr. Ryerson, Dr. Sheard, Dr. Davison, Dr. G. A. Bingham, Prof. Ellis, Principal Dickson, Dr. A. J. Johnson, Rev. Provost Body, Rev. G. M. Milligan, Dr. O'Reilly, Dr. T. Dunfield, Dr. R. B. Orr; Dr. Miller, of Hamilton; Dr. Harris, Brantford.

The officers of the dinner were: Chairman, J. R. Bingham; vice-presidents, E. L. Proctor, J. G. Lemont, V. A. Hart; toaster, W. J. H. Ross; hon. secretary, C. C. Field; committee, W. W. Andrus, R. T. Corbett, C. H. Brereton, H. E. Armstrong, J. G. Battell, A. H. Marks, R. H. Foster.

Representatives of sister colleges were present

as follows: Dr. Graham, Toronto University; and Messrs. Charlie Thompson, Toronto Medical School; Austin, Queen's University; Tompkins, McGill College; McNally, Bishop's College, Montreal; Weston, Western University, London; T. W. Powell, Trinity University; Coughlan, Dental College; Cross, College of Pharmacy.

Mr. J. R. Bingham, fourth year, presided. The toast of the evening was "Trinity Medical School," to which Dr. Geikie replied.

Dr. Geikie, after a few preliminary words, said that most of those present would know that, in 1887, as well as for many years before and ever since, Trinity Medical College has preferred to conduct her affairs under her own independent charter. We ask, and we think wisely, who can manage our own medical affairs better, or even as well, as ourselves?

We maintain as a principle, proved by the experience of many years to be sound, so far as Ontario is concerned, at least, that to be fully successful, a teaching medical college must be self-governed and most carefully governed. We have no complaint, whatever, to make against any Senate. These are mixed bodies, composed of gentlemen of leisure—business men, clergymen, lawyers, with a doctor or two thrown in, or perhaps left out now and then.

How can any such composite, although learned body, legislate in matters purely medical—e.g., in the regulation of a Medical Faculty in giving a medical education to its students?

We have seen the experiment of such a mixed body undertaking to manage a Medical Faculty in Ontario more than once, even twice or three times, and failure, utter failure, has always resulted. A Senate may say that it cannot let a Medical Faculty alone when it forms an integral part of the University—and this is true, for the University is liable, unless extraordinary precautions have been taken in making every arrangement, for the expenses incurred.

We know what happened in 1887—we remained just as we had been and as we are to-night—an independent college, if not with our drum beating and our flag flying, at least very prosperous and full of hope for the future.

Our sister institution saw fit to suspend her charter, and in doing so ran, as we think, the