

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

TORONTO GENERAL HOSPITAL.

In one of the previous numbers of the *Upper Canada Medical Journal*, we promised to return to the consideration of the Toronto General Hospital; and we now propose to pass in review the recent movements of the newly appointed Hospital Trustees; to consider their effects upon the Institution, and their influence upon the medical profession generally.

In the first place, we have been informed that several plans and specifications have been laid before the Board of Trustees, and that the plan drawn by Mr. Hay, Architect, of Church street, has been selected, and will be acted upon as soon as proper arrangements can be made. If we can rely on the taste and opinion of our informant, there is every reason to believe that the new Toronto General Hospital to be erected in this city, will be a noble edifice, and not unworthy of the Queen City of the West.

The land on King street, where the old Hospital Buildings now stand, has been laid out in lots, to be leased for building purposes. A few days since the leases were offered for public competition, when the whole of the property was readily taken up, and it is said that the rents to be derived from it will amount to upwards of eight hundred pounds per annum.

In the second place, with regard to the intended site of the new hospital, the Trustees have declared that it will be located at the eastern part of the city near the River Don. Now, we conscientiously believe that there are cogent reasons against this situation being selected; one, and the most strenuous, is its disadvantages to the public. If the hospital is placed at the eastern extremity of the city, only picture to yourself the necessity of conveying in the middle of winter, perhaps upon a shutter, any poor man who may chance to meet with a serious accident at