

wise counsellor in all matters of doubt and difficulty. Sir Francis was also an earnest student of Canadian history, and by the publication of his work, "Reminiscences of His Public Life," and of papers on subjects connected with public affairs, has materially contributed to our knowledge, more especially of the events in which he himself bore a part.

In the past session, a committee of the Corporation was appointed to confer with a sub-committee of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction on the subject of securing recognition of University degrees in Arts as a preparation for professional study. The law of this Province seems to stand alone in refusing such recognition, and it is to be hoped that this disability will be removed. Attention was also given to the diverse examinations for entrance prescribed by the several professional Boards in the case of students entering on the study of professions without degrees. We trust that uniformity may be introduced into these examinations, so as to remove the present confusion in the work of pupils of the high schools and academies, which, while injurious to general education, tends to prevent these important schools from training their pupils to enter college with advantage.

By request of the Government, the University has prepared photographs of its buildings and copies of its publications for the Colonial Exhibition to be held this year in London.

The Medical Faculty has been for some time in need of additional and larger class-rooms and laboratories, and in the past session the Board of Governors were enabled to make arrangements by which such buildings could be erected. They include two large and commodious class-rooms, well lighted and ventilated, and each capable of seating 275 to 300 students; as well as laboratories for Chemistry, Physiology and Histology, which are arranged and fitted up in the most modern manner. The Chemical Laboratory will accommodate 75 students, and is already fully occupied. Advantage has also been taken of the additions made to the building to enlarge and improve the Dissecting-room, the Library and the Museum. The accommodation enjoyed by this Faculty and its students is now believed to be equal to that of any medical school on this continent.