

gave place to Messrs. Lyndsay, of the Trinity School of Medicine, Toronto; Houlé, Laval; Grandpré, Victoria; and England, Bishop's College.

The toast of the *Graduates* was then proposed by Mr. G. C. Stephen in a short speech, and responded to by Dr. Rodger, who contrasted the annual dinners celebrated in his day with the present one. He echoed the sentiments expressed by the Dean, that it was the duty of graduates, as well as undergraduates, to work together to promote the interests of the University, and called attention to the fact that many of the students of past times were professors of the Faculty to-day—a fact, he remarked, that should be a stimulus to the labours of all undergraduates.

Dr. Shepherd then proposed the *Class of '85*. He explained that it was a theme which he should be peculiarly fitted to do justice to, as he had been connected with that class more than any other, and, after mentioning, as a cause for congratulation, the increase, instead of decrease, in numbers which the system of a four years' course, with compulsory summer session attendance, had induced, concluded with a cordial hope that the class would "weather the March gales of 1885."

Mr. M. C. McGannon responded in behalf of '85 in an exceedingly eloquent and graceful speech. He traced the history of the class from its first year to the present day; described the aspirations with which they met together for the first time, the unanimous agreement that an M.D., C.M. was the *summum bonum*—their motives being probably as many and varied as their numbers and characters, that while some saw incident to that degree a life of ease and enjoyment, others took it but as a rung in the ladder of ambition and wealth, while others, again, for the higher reason that "nothing so nearly pertains to the gods as to relieve suffering." In proceeding with the annals of the class he alluded to its agency in rectifying the defects in the chair of *Materia Medica*, and made a touching reference to the loss that the Faculty had sustained in the deaths of two of its oldest members. He concluded by a graphic contrast between the former dinners and those of the last three years, upon which the Faculty have shed the lustre of their presence.