

notions and exploded crudities sink into oblivion, and in their place let only such be instituted as turn on some practical point. It is for them to raise the intellectual standard of their licentiates; among other ways, by encouraging talent and offering rewards for deserving merit. Examples will be found on another page of bodies in other parts of the world, perhaps, upon the whole less favorably circumstanced than theirs, that might be followed most advantageously, entailing but small expense, and waking up a spirit of inquiry and investigation which might lead to brilliant and useful results. These are some of the more prominent reforms that we think might be successfully carried out, and would render the institution beneficial and famous. We trust, moreover, the day is fast approaching when it will be possessed of real estate—when an appropriate building, an ornament to the city and a credit to the founders, will be erected to its uses—within which a library will be gradually accumulated, and a museum formed, rich in anatomical specimens, both normal and morbid. A medical newsroom has long been a desideratum, and its connexion with such a corporation would be judicious and appropriate. As it is now, but few practitioners subscribe to more than one, and the majority to none, of the foreign periodicals; in such a place they might peruse those from every quarter, and thus keep pace with all the daily advancements in the theory and art of their callings. We throw out these suggestions; want of space forbids our enlarging upon them. That their adoption is not impracticable is clearly shewn by the present pecuniary position and prospective revenue of the College, and again we express the hope that they will be effected in our day, confident as we are of their necessity, importance and value.

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“The fifth number of the Medical Chronicle, of Montreal, Canada, comes to us filled with good things. We should be glad to receive the back numbers. We observe, (what is now becoming very common) that the editors are also proprietors.”

We are glad our friend of the “Philadelphia Medical and Surgical Journal”, from which we copy the above, is pleased with our table of contents. If he will mention in his next what back numbers he is desirous of having, we will try and furnish him with them. As to the editors being proprietors, a circumstance which appears to please Dr. Bryan, all we can say is, that they are so of necessity. Medical journalism in Canada is so unsafe a speculation, there is not a respectable publishing house in Montreal that would enter into it. Canada, however, *must not be without a local Medical periodical*; and it was this that induced us, when there was not a medium of communication for the profession in the province, to issue the Medical Chronicle. As journals of