

The first silver medal was won by Dr. T. C. Irwin obtaining 304 out of a possible 360 marks following very closely upon the gold medalist, and the second silver medalists Dr. J. Sutherland with 303, being only one mark behind.

In presenting the first silver medal in the final year Dr. O'Rielly made one of his usually witty speeches speaking very highly of the work of the students of Trinity both in the lecture room and in his hospital wards.

As there were two gold medalists it was a question as to who would read the "Valedictory," but Dr. Martyn with his usual modesty retired in favour of Dr. MacKay, who then rose and delivered his address as follows:

*Worthy Dean, Members of the Faculty, Fellow-Graduates and Under Graduates,*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

UPON an occasion fraught with great interest and importance, such as is this, I would indeed have been loath to attempt to say what is fitting and proper; but, confident in the possession of the sympathy and good-will of my friends, as well of the graduates and under-graduates as of the Faculty I feel assured that I shall be heard with patience, if not with the same pleasure and edification with which you would have listened to my friend Dr. Martin, had not his modest and retiring disposition prevented his consenting to undertake a responsibility which he is so well fitted to assume, and to accept an honor to which his standing entitles him.

To-day the graduating class of '91 have met within this old well known class room for the last time, and as we step forth into the world we shall carry with us, and for all future time cherish, a warm feeling for an institution which has given us practical knowledge which will enable us to alleviate or mitigate much of the pain and suffering which are inseparable from human existence.

As under-graduates, we were directly interested in the success of our college and took pride in the fact that the difficulties and obstructions to her progress have often presented themselves, yet these only tended to still further bring out those inherent qualities and develop those resources which have so largely contributed to render Trinity self-supporting and self-sustaining. Her persistent independent efforts have secured the respect of the leading educationists of the land and placed her among the first colleges of America.

Such has been the high estimate of the value of a medical education, obtained at Trinity, that her roll shows the largest attendance of all the Medical Colleges of Canada, and among her graduates and under-graduates are men, not only from Canada and the United States, but from all parts of the world.

As graduates, we shall endeavour to follow in the footsteps of those men whom Trinity has already given to the world—men of marked professional ability and of high moral and social standing—men who are a blessing to humanity; and, while taking pride in her future success, we shall also make it our aim to uphold the honour of our Alma Mater.

As graduates, we shall not soon forget the earnestness of the members of the Faculty, their anxiety for our advancement and the interest and satisfaction they have always evinced in our work, progress and success.

The readiness with which, even at considerable loss of their own valuable time, they were ever willing to solve our knotty problems has helped to produce a most kindly feeling, and form bonds of sympathy which distance itself, though we be separated by oceans, cannot destroy and ties which time will fail to break asunder.

To whatever success we may attain in the future, we shall always associate with it the careful training we received while attending the lectures and clinics of professors who

are of acknowledged worth in their respective special branches—professors, one and all, alive to the best interests of Trinity and her students, always willing to sacrifice their own convenience if, by so doing, a student is to be benefited, and ever ready to introduce new and modern ideas and appliances that have been found successful and practicable.

By these means, having obtained a knowledge of the many vital principles which effect the health and happiness of the individual, the community and the public we have become the better qualified to discharge our new duties and obligations.

While we owe so much to our worthy Dean and Professors, and shall for all time retain kind memories of what they have done for us, we have as well, to acknowledge the trouble and care of Dr. O'Reilly and his hospital staff in providing us with ample means for obtaining clinics which will prove of untold benefit from the practical education they afforded when we stand by the bedside of our own patients.

Were I to presume to offer a word of advice to fellow graduates and undergraduates alike it would be this: That it should be our aim to attain to that high standard of efficiency which has been laid down for us here and not rest content with our efforts in the past but continue industriously to strive after greater knowledge and skill in our chosen profession.

Industry then is the keynote to our success. A hearty industry promotes happiness.

As use polishes metals, so labor the faculties, until the mind and body perform their unimpeded functions with elastic cheerfulness and hearty enjoyment.

If we should have no higher ambition in life than the acquirement of riches, then industry—plain, rugged, brown-faced, homely clad, old-fashioned industry—must be courted.

Genius fails to do what industry has accomplished.

A genius is a person who possesses one or more faculties in the highest state of development and activity, but he is generally understood to be a creature of such rare facility of mind that he can do nothing without labour—learns without study—knows without learning—is eloquent without preparation—exact without calculation—profound without reflection—and, in fact, can make a diagnosis without an examination.

Such a one *may* exist and may be known by a reserved air, excessive sensitiveness and utter indolence affectation, conceit and uselessness. But those who take the honours and emoluments of professional life are rather distinguished for sound judgment and close application than for brilliant genius.

While genius performs at one impulse, industry gains by a succession of efforts, so that in ordinary matters they differ only in rapidity of execution and are upon the same level before men who see the result but not the process.

I would impress on you fellow-graduates, that, although our course of studies here is completed, yet we must not cease to be students—that the foundation alone has been laid on which we are to build all our future success, and this, will largely depend on our industriously continuing the studies which were commenced while we were under-graduates.

Mingled with pleasure of our success at the late examinations is the feeling of regret that we shall soon be separated far and wide; and the good old days of keen competition on the football or baseball campus; of exciting elections; of interesting and instructive lectures and clinics; and once in a long time, a more interesting "slope," of the regular annual increasing demand of the freshmen for the highest objective points in this primary room; of the jolly medical student, light-hearted and gay and ever ready, and ever on the look out for a joke (although when required he can be so solemn and serious); of the long hours of study, of the anxiety of examination time, all these have passed and the