

GREAT PROFITS TO THE CITY.

There was no money, for the fees were small and each Professor must mind his practice and was obliged to study to appear with any acceptance before a class—the most severe critics a man could have, fourth year students.

It has been a profitable institution for the city and has brought more honour, more prestige, than any other enterprise. It has been the same to the University. None have given more cheerfully than the Medical students. It is now a valuable asset of Queen's and for the last half century has been a generous contributor to its funds.

Another benefit not pointed out is that a regiment of young men of slender income in this City and County have been enabled to qualify for a profession which has given them the power to attain a position of honour, of social distinction and emolument they could not possibly attain were it not established. All honour, then, to the small but noble band of men who gave their time, their means and labour, to make it a success. Of course it could not be such by any other means than by its work, as the Examination by the Universities, as is more apparent by the Medical Council, testify. When it began the Hospitals were in a very inferior condition.

CHOICE OF VOCATION.

"There is a divinity which shapes our ends,  
Rough hew them how we will."

Never was a more convincing proof given of the truth of that trite quotation than in my vocation to the high position of physician. I had not a remote idea of such, never saw the inside of an hospital, did not know a student or doctor, in fact any feeling I had was one of repugnance, and such were my feelings until 1854, when as a pupil at Mr. O'Donnell's Classical School, a tall gentleman, the late Dr. Burdette of Belleville, came there to obtain the necessary Greek and Latin (a small amount of each) to pass his matriculation at Trinity, although then in his fourth year.

I spent very much of my time with the warm-hearted doctor, assisting him to quench his thirst at the waters of Helicon, while he in turn poured into my attentive ear vivid descriptions of the machinery of different organs, the marvelous design, the surpassing beauty of structure, the grandeur of the science to which all others were tributary, and urged me to begin at once the study.

THE DIVINITY ACTS.

Critically not more than a few weeks after the departure of my genial friend, while I was still under the influence of his enthusiasm, I was surprised to learn that the votaries of Hygeia had dedicated a temple and opened a school for her pupils. My curiosity was at once awakened and I resolved to find it. Let me say that as an