

Announcement. In the curriculum, as now prescribed, we find that the members of the Council have at last endorsed our views to a certain extent. We now find that a student in order to procure a license must attend "two courses of six or eight months, each consisting of fifty lectures and demonstrations in Pathology," and "one course of three or four months, consisting of twenty-five lectures and demonstrations in Bacteriology." In the *QUARTERLY* of January, 1898, we strongly urged upon the Council the advisability of requiring the student to devote more time to the study of these two important subjects. We do not presume that what we then said had the effect of bringing about the change. Probably the members of the Council never read the *QUARTERLY*. However they were induced to make the change we know not nor do we care. Sufficient for us is the fact that the change has been made, and that two of the most important subjects in the whole range of medical science have now been allotted more time in the Medical Curriculum. Of course it is gratifying to find that opinions which we enunciated a year ago have now been adopted, and, as a consequence, all candidates for a license will have a fair knowledge of these two essentials of a medical education.

Another addition has been made to the Medical Curriculum. Each applicant for a license must now present "a certificate of having attended five lectures and five demonstrations upon the use of anæsthetics." We cannot claim that we had advocated this addition to the Medical Curriculum, but we can and do most heartily congratulate the Council upon the wisdom they have displayed in making this a necessary part of every student's education. No one is properly equipped to enter upon the general practice of medicine who is not conversant with the modes of administering the different anæsthetics, the dangers attending their administration, the reasons for preferring one particular anæsthetic in any given case, and the means of counteracting their untoward effects. We believe that this is a wise addition to the Curriculum, and we again congratulate the Council upon having incorporated this course of lectures in their Curriculum.

Perhaps it is too much to expect that the Council would all at once remodel the Curriculum. They have begun well. May