

Faculty was a corporate part of the University. Then for some years it was carried on under the charter of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, but since 1892 it has been a Faculty of the University operating under a constitution granted by the Board of Trustees. Its finances are independent of the general revenues of the University.

There are about fourteen hundred graduates, many of whom have attained distinction. The Dean of the Faculty of Medicine in Toronto University and the Dean of the Faculty in Winnipeg are graduates in medicine of Queen's University.

The attendance has been over two hundred for several years. It is still increasing and now taxes our accommodation, especially in the laboratories, to the utmost. The Faculty consists of twenty-five men, of whom four devote all their time to teaching. In no other school in Canada is there a professor who devotes all his time to Anatomy. This has always been most efficiently taught in the school.

The physicians who have formed the Faculty have exercised much self-sacrifice to keep the school going and to maintain its efficiency. In the early days there were not many students, and the fees barely paid expenses. When the number of students increased the development of medical science required the equipment of laboratories and the employment of fully paid teachers, so that there has been plenty of work and but little remuneration for the professional men of the Faculty.

After all this has been done it is not presumptuous to assume a vested interest in medical education, which is not to be ignored if provincial funds are to be expended for the advancement of like interests in Toronto.

In the second place our claim is made because of the work which we are doing directly for the government and for the community in a very practical way. The Professor of Pathology and Bacteriology is a special officer of the Provincial Board of Health and makes free examinations of pathological products and of water sent to him by physicians and local Boards of Health. This work is done in our laboratories and is of the greatest value to the public. The early diagnosis of diphtheria, of typhoid fever, of tuberculosis and other contagious diseases, and the determination of the purity of water, are of