

in the matter because they can not have their own way in every particular. And to then turn around and brand this Council with not acting in good faith towards the students is wrong. I claim the Council have acted as fairly and honorably towards the students as any body of an equal number of men that can be found in this country. I admit, in all frankness, if you can get the curriculum once in a satisfactory shape and it then was made permanent for five years, as that of the University is, it would be a wise thing. But, before you can fix it in that way, you must make it harmonize with the teaching department; and that is what Dr. Moore is seeking to do—to make it in harmony with the teaching department; and then you can make it permanent. I am in favor of the science course; I believe Dr. Moore is in favor of the science course; I believe every member of the Council is in favor of the science course being added as one of the branches; but the question is, can we do it and have it satisfactory? It is a question of practice. I understood from one of the letters Dr. Moore read, it was possible for us to have physics and chemistry; if that be true, in place of Dr. Moore's motion to strike out that clause, I would prefer that physics and chemistry be inserted; and then we will get as large a part of what we want as we can; and the only feature left out will be the botany. According to our understanding, when that clause was adopted before, it was physics, chemistry and botany. And, as I take it, one of those letters said we could have physics and chemistry, and we, therefore, lose only botany, and that would come up in the latter part of the course, and the medical man wouldn't suffer so much. It strikes me Dr. Moore had better amend his motion by taking in physics and chemistry.

Dr. Geikie—I would like to say another word on this subject; last year I was strongly in favor of the retention of the clause just as it is in this, "the prescribed science course added," until I found, as Dr. Moore has described, as far as practice is concerned, that everything in botany is in the first year's examination. I am far from desiring to do away with the science course; it is simply, as Dr. Williams puts it, to harmonize matters, to make the examination intelligible; and, of course, to keep it up because everybody knows that the University Departmental Examination in Arts is a most excellent one. And as to letting the science course go, even if Dr. Moore's motion should be adopted,—I cannot speak of other institutions, but I know we include everything of it in the first year's examination,—botany, as well as the other departments.

Dr. Bergin—With regard to the intelligibility of this clause 1 of the Announcement, let me read to you what occurred when the Minister of Education was here last year (page 174), Dr. Geikie

asked the Minister, "Supposing students were to take the Departmental examination which you have alluded to, embracing science, could there not be some special arrangement made, by which, in the case of every medical matriculant, in addition to the science, Latin should be compulsory?" And the answer of the Minister was, "Yes, we have done so before, and we should do it in the future, if asked to do so by this Council. You may have Latin if you want it. You would make it compulsory upon your students, and we would examine your students for you." That is, give an examination in science, and the Latin added to the ordinary examination; "you may have Latin if you want it." Then I asked the Minister, "Am I to understand the Minister to say that Latin would be compulsory in the matriculation; I would like to ask the question whether the Department would not at the instance of the Medical Council, if they requested it, make science a necessity?" The Minister said, "I think the feeling of the University has not ripened to that point yet, although the tendency is in that way. I do not think they would do it until after they change their curriculum for 1895." I said then, "the University would probably take it for their matriculation for the College of Physicians and Surgeons." And the Minister said, "The College of Physicians and Surgeons could do this; they could take the matriculation in Arts, with science for medical matriculation just the same as they have been taking the departmental examination with Latin for medical matriculation. You can have either way. We conduct the examination, and we will do anything of that kind."

Dr. Geikie—And we believed that, and found there was a difficulty such as Dr. Moore has described.

Dr. Campbell.—So much has been said already on this subject that I will not long occupy the attention of the committee; but it seems to me that it should be taken for granted it is the desire of every member of the Council to keep the standard up as high as we can; and it is necessary in keeping that standard up to have in mind the question of practicability to work it; it seems from the letters that have been read that there is a difficulty in making it work just exactly.

Dr. Bergin—The letter that was read here says they find it difficult to group the optional subjects; and that is not what is before the Council at all.

Dr. Campbell—If there is or if there is not a difficulty I think the matter could be got over by following the suggestions in the letter of the Deputy Minister; and then the science course will be practically fixed all right, if Dr. Moore would add to his amendment the words "Physics and Chemistry," if not included."

Moved by Dr. Moore that section one, clause