

the number of students who attended the University Clinical Course in the Hospital, and because we performed more operations in our private practice than the whole staff of McGill College performed in both their Hospital and private practice.

The Montreal General Hospital is equal to any on this Continent as a school of medicine, but surgery is rarely witnessed within its walls. If this has hitherto been the case, what prospect has that Hospital of now obtaining a character for surgical practice, seeing that St. Patrick's Hospital so far outstrips it in public estimation and in the good opinion of the classes whence the inmates of an hospital are usually furnished. If it had no reputation when alone, it can not expect much increase now, and the resignation of one of its oldest professors of a surgical chair for one of medicine, is an exceedingly significant movement and one which clearly establishes the accuracy of the statements we have made. Indeed we cannot see how the surgical clinic was given during the months of February, March and April of the present year, for the quarterly report of the Hospital furnishes the following as the list of operations performed, to witness which, students have come from distant parts of the Province :—

Bleeding,.....	
Cupping,.....	1
Fractures (reduction of).....	3
Issues,.....	3
Teeth, drawing of,.....	50
Minor Operations,.....	37

In the name of wonder, what were the *minor* operations, when bleeding, cupping, issues and tooth drawing, were *capital* ones, and were considered worthy of special notice? And as only one-half of the above daring operations were performed by the College Lecturer, we are not astonished of his deserting so barren a field and seeking refuge in medical studies. We shall not permit ourselves to indulge in a prediction as to the future prospects of surgical education at that Hospital. The advantages held out to the students are quite peculiar and indeed quite different from what are promised them at all other universities in Europe or America.

Quebec Marine and Emigrant Hospital.—The rumour concerning the appointment of Messrs. Dunscombe and Parent to inquire into the affairs of the above Institution, was unfounded. The Government has since then, formed a Commission composed of Drs. Nelson and Mac-Donnell, of Montreal, and Mr. Perrault, Advocate, of Kamouraska, to whom that important investigation has been entrusted.