

SISTER SCHOOLS.

The attempt on the part of the Trinity Medical School in Toronto to make capital out of the misfortunes of a rival School at Kingston, was one of the most remarkable and indefensible acts which occurred in the recent troubles. The offer of the former to accept some of the students of the latter free of charge, and others who had not paid anything for the half course, received for half the ordinary sessional fee, while negotiations for the settlement of their difficulties were still in progress, was such a transparent effort to completely destroy a sister institution that no amount of casuistry or sophistry will explain it away. All lovers of fair play and ordinary straightforward dealing have united in characterizing such conduct as ungenerous and disreputable in the highest degree.

While the members of the Faculty were struggling under difficulties which threatened utter destruction to their college, they very naturally expected to receive the sympathy at least of those institutions with which they were on friendly terms of relationship; and, with the exception mentioned, we believe it was accorded to them. We are also certain that the graduates and many friends of this school, which has done such excellent work in the past, were heartily sorry for the troubles which arose, and just as heartily glad when a settlement was effected. We hope the able and deserving men composing the teaching staff will be enabled to perform the double work imposed upon them, and that their teaching in the future will be as efficient as it has been in the past.

AN OLD EPIGRAM.

"Chirurgus medico quo distat?—scilicet isti;
Enecat hic succis, enecat ille manu.
Carnifice hoc ambo tantum differre videntur
Tardius hi faciunt, quod fecit ille cito."

Distinct the doctor from the surgeon stands—
One slays with drugs, the other slays with hands;
Of both the only difference from Jack Ketch is,
They slowly do what he at once despatches.

THE ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL
AND THE MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

While discussing the Kingston troubles we have to consider the action which the Council would be likely to take when the students presented themselves for examination. The Council requires certificates of attendance at 75 per cent. of the lectures delivered in each session. If the authorities of the Trinity Medical School had succeeded in capturing the Kingston students they would have been in a position simply to certify attendance at half a course of lectures. It is not likely, nor do we see how the Council could have accepted such certificates. A refusal to do so would have placed the students in a very awkward position. While we have before us such a striking example of the methods which a school may adopt to add to its numbers, we must consider it a matter of congratulation that we have a central Examining Board which is in a position to deal justly with all questions which may arise between the various medical colleges in the country.

TRINITY MEDICAL SCHOOL.

We are authorized by the Dean of this School to say that, when the offers were made to the Kingston Medical Students, his Faculty thought the latter had entirely withdrawn from their School; but we have not heard why the Trinity Faculty decided to give credit for lectures delivered by lecturers who refused to give certificates for the same, without waiting twenty-four hours to enquire as to reasons for such refusal. How was it that less consideration was shown to the Faculty than the Students? Probably all will acknowledge that there was undue haste displayed, and some will persist in assigning certain causes for such haste.

We have much pleasure in announcing the re-election of Mr. Wm. Mulock, M.A., to the Vice-Chancellorship of the University.