

omnipotent. But he must not detain them, for there were better things to come and time was on the wing. He was reminded of the latter by the assemblage before him. Yonder, he saw him, a freshman, his joyous soul filled with high hopes and ardent expectations of renown in that profession around which his vivid imagination has thrown a glamour, to be dispelled perhaps in future years. A little further on he saw a primary man, a few of his earlier illusions perhaps dispelled, struggling manfully for an honorable position in his chosen profession. And now he saw him a would-be graduate, just about to throw aside his student's cap and bid farewell to the halls and class-room of his *alma mater*. So time rolls on; from the freshman's gown to the graduate's diploma is but a little way, a brief struggle, but it is among the brightest in his career, and preparatory to a high and ennobling profession—for to increase the happiness by alleviating the misery of our fellow-beings is surely a God-given vocation. It will be ours to stand by the bed of sickness, and, aided by nature's healing power, to restore health; and finally, when she is about to pay her last debt, to stand beside the bedside of death, and, hand in hand with the man of God, soothe the final moments of the dying. We will be received into the sacred bosom of the family as confidant and friend. Ours will be secrets in the history of our patients, known only to God and ourselves. Fellow-students! let us be worthy of this confidence, and let us not prostitute the high honor of our profession to baser interests. He concluded by proposing the usual loyal toasts, which were duly honored.

His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, who received a cordial greeting, acknowledged the toast of "The Governor-General of Canada and Lieut.-Governor of Ontario." He dwelt briefly on the careers of Earl Dufferin and Lord Lorne in Canada, and predicted a successful term of office for Lord Lansdowne. In felicitous terms he referred to the entire absence of alcoholic beverages from the tables, remarking that, notwithstanding anything said about medical students outside, it was evident that while others preached, they practised temperance. He urged upon the students to give some attention to political as well as medical matters. Leading doctors had done so in the past. Dr. Rolph, in times gone by, was not only known as a leading medical man, but also as a prominent

figure in Ontario's political history. Dr. Tupper was another example of a medical man who, in the opinion of his political friends, had done some good for the Dominion. In conclusion he said that hostile though some critics might be on medical students, yet, taken at their best, they could not be approached. The toast of "The Army, Navy, and Volunteers" was spoken to by Captains Baker and Geddes. "The Dominion and Provincial Legislatures" was the next toast.

Dr. Beaty, Q.C., M.P., acknowledged the toast of "The Dominion Parliament." In his reply he said he could not well understand why there should be more than one medical school in Toronto. If the 1,600 medical men in Ontario and 400 students in Toronto to-day were united, they would have much greater influence. He also favored a parliament of medical men, in place of Dominion and Provincial medical associations—an œcumenical conference. Hon. T. W. Anglin also spoke to the toast. In a few sentences he dwelt on the important duties performed by a member of Parliament, who fulfilled an onerous task and was entitled to all the honor and respect due to a man who did his duty. Hon. A. S. Hardy replied for the Ontario Legislature. Referring to the suggestion as to the union of the medical schools, he said that the members of Trinity School might deem that an open question. The present Legislature of Ontario had not yet met. He knew the last was a good house; but he did not know what kind of a character to give to the present, but he would be better able to tell them next year. Something would depend on its hospital treatment. Mr. Badgerow, M.P.P., responded, and opposed the suggestion of a union of the medical schools, remarking that Trinity could not be expected to make the first approach. Ald. Clarke, M.P.P., also replied to the toast. The toast of "The Mayor and Corporation" was warmly received and responded to by Mayor Boswell and ex-Mayor McMurrich. The toast "Universities with which we are affiliated and sister institutions" was next on the programme.

Rev. Prof. Clark responded for Trinity College. He expressed his dissent from the suggestion for uniting the schools. There were enormous advantages in not having too large a number of students. Vice-Chancellor Mulock, M.P., responded for Toronto University. After some general remarks