

purpose in the western portion of the city: This offer has been accepted by several well known citizens, and although nothing approaching a canvas has been made, a considerable sum of money has been obtained, one gentleman subscribing five thousand dollars, another one thousand, and several five hundred dollars. Indeed the cordiality with which the scheme has been received by those who have been called upon, augurs well for its complete success. At the present moment negotiations to acquire a considerable portion of land for its erection, are in progress, and its promoters confidently hope that the foundation stone will be laid this summer. We look upon this movement as a good one, and not at all antagonistic to the work being performed by the Montreal General Hospital. The fact that its promoters are governors of that institution is sufficient to prove this. There is ample field for both, and aside from the fact that the Montreal General Hospital is more than able to sustain itself, the wealth of Montreal is to-day better able to support two such institutions than fifteen years ago it was to sustain one.

PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

We have received a long and able communication upon this question from a prominent member of the Pharmaceutical Association of this Province, which we would have inserted with great pleasure had not the recent action of the College of Physician and Surgeons of Lower Canada taken away much of the pith of his remarks. The opposition offered by that body to the conferring upon the Pharmaceutical Association Licensing power, was so strong that the Legislature refused to grant them the privileges sought for. In this, we believe the representatives of the medical profession in Quebec acted injudiciously, although with the best of intentions. The Pharmacutists were, however, determined to succeed, and we are given to understand that everything now points to a favorable issue. At the meeting of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, held in Montreal, the commencement of May, Mr. Mercer, the able President of the Quebec Pharmaceutical Association, attended and laid before them the desires, wishes, and determinations of the members of the body he represented. We are informed that the result was successful beyond anticipation, and that the prospect now is, that when the Pharmacutists go before the Quebec Legislature at its next session praying to be incor-

porated into a College of Pharmacy, they will find their former successful opponents their most earnest and active friends. This change was sure to come, but the most sanguine could not have expected it so soon. We congratulate our friends of the Pharmaceutical Association on this victory.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF LOWER CANADA.

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Governors of the Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada was held in the Lecture Room of the Natural History Society, Montreal, on Tuesday, the 13th May. The following Officers and Governors were present:—Dr. W. E. Scott, President, in the Chair; Drs. Russell and Weilbrenner, Vice-Presidents; Drs. Rottot and Tessier, Secretaries, and Dr. Blanchet, Registrar-Treasurer; Drs. A. Jackson, J. E. Landry, A. G. Belleau, R. P. Howard, H. Peltier, G. E. Fenwick, E. H. Trudel, Edm. Robillard, Jos. Marmette, Edw. Boudreau, C. T. Dubé, A. T. Michaud, J. A. Duchesneau, J. S. Brigham, J. B. Gibson, F. D. Gilbert, A. G. Fenwick, A. M. Hamilton, L. R. Church and Joshua Chamberlain. After the ordinary routine business, the following gentlemen obtained the License of the College on presenting their respective diplomas:—*Laval University*,—W. Maguire, Jos. Eug. Grondin, Z. Gravel. *McGill University*,—Jos. D. MacDonald, J. Whiteford, F. J. Shepherd, J. J. Farley, T. J. Alloway, H. R. Perry, F. E. Cutter, L. McK. Fortune, N. E. Chevalier, T. F. Guest. *Victoria University*,—J. R. MacDonald, Jos. Lanctot, Tancredé Gaboury, G. J. Duhault, *alias* Jacques, G. Archambault, Alfred Desautells, M. Filiatrault, N. Fafard, Jos. R. Gaboury, Jos. Comeau, Ls. Jos. Martel, O. Coutu, A. Germain, R. Brodeur, G. Desrosiers Lafrenière, A. Aubry, J. B. Laporte, E. Lalonde, G. Beaudry. *University of Bishop's College*,—W. Macdonald, R. F. Godfrey, G. F. Slack, R. N. Webber, G. B. Shaw, I. Fontaine. *Trinity College*,—A. S. Campbell, F. D. Astley. Mr. F. D. Cutter, of Sutton, also obtained his license, on passing examination. The following gentlemen were admitted to the study of medicine after passing the usual preliminary examination:—Messrs. L. Crépault, J. E. J. Cartier, H. Poisson, N. Matte, J. B. Martel, J. E. L'Esperance, F. X. Lavoie, Jos. Godbout, P. F. DesParts, E. Tremblay, C. R. Belle, F. X. Gauthier, A. Brissette, A. Jeannotte, O. Beaudry, T. J. Sullivan, B. Campeau, A. Fortier, O. Beauchène, A. Hébert, R. McNichols, W. Petit, P. Fortin, N.