

Peltier. Having suffered from a painful affection of the knee-joint, which at times incapacitated him from walking any distance, he was seated in his sleigh waiting for the funeral procession to leave the house. While so seated, a runaway horse rushed down the street, and came into violent contact with the back part of his sleigh, the shaft of the vehicle to which the runaway was attached striking him forcibly on the back part of his head and throwing him violently forward. He was taken up in an unconscious state, and removed to his house. He lived for several days. A *post mortem* examination revealed a fracture of the base of the skull, with extensive effusion of blood.

*Drs. Badgley and Arnoldi.*—Drs. Badgley and Arnoldi were two able and highly-educated professional men, who, for many years, had openly and squarely combated the interests and opposed the progress of the Medical School of McGill University, but who eventually accepted positions in the Faculty. The former was appointed to the chair of Medical Jurisprudence in the year 1849, and held the position for one year. He resigned in 1850, and was succeeded by Dr. Arnoldi, who retired in 1851.

Such, then, as I have briefly and imperfectly described them, were the environments of the medical student in the early years of the existence of the Medical School of McGill, and such the men who, in the face of the greatest difficulties and discouragements, succeeded in establishing the school on a firm and enduring basis. Comparing the conditions existing in the years 1847-50 with those existing at the present day, one cannot but be deeply impressed with the magnitude and importance of the changes that have taken place. To-day, by the munificence of wealthy friends, notably by the generous contributions of Lord and Lady Strathcona, the Hon. Mrs. Howard, and J. H. Molson, Esq., the Faculty is housed in a magnificent building, which has been fully described by Dr. Maude Abbott in her valuable historical sketch of the Medical Faculty of McGill, recently published. This building contains within it all the most modern improvements, and includes all the most modern facilities required to assist the student in his effort to acquire a thorough knowledge of his profession; and in the Faculty are able men fully competent to do justice to these facilities for teaching—men who are as devoted and as enthusiastic in their work as their predecessors, and as determined to keep old McGill in the very first rank of medical educational institutions.