

medical students of Canada, make it a means of individual aggrandizement, and an avenue to fortune for themselves. And it is thus that they expect to succeed. Through the influence of a certain would-be patrician, a determined enemy of every thing that has not had the good fortune of having been brought into existence to the north of the Tweed, the Governor will commission the medical officers of this hospital, as the *sole* examiners of all those who wish to be admitted to practice the medical profession in Canada. This accomplished, no young man, however superior his natural and acquired abilities might be, who had not walked the Montreal general hospital & attended the lectures of the *learned* officers of this enlightened medical school, would pass this board in fact, none who had not been reared by these *soi-disant* lecturers would be admitted to the practice of the profession here.* The result would be that to these men all students of medicine must have recourse, and would have to pay extravagant fees for an education, which I maintain can be obtained quite as well, under the auspices of the other numerous and respectable practitioners of Montreal

* It might have been added that this intrigue, if the case be as it is represented, is one of the manœuvres adopted by the Scotch faction, for acquiring ascendancy in this country over the native Canadians. By these means they will almost entirely shut the door against the admittance of any French students to the practice of the profession, for I should like to see an answer given to the shrewd questions proposed about a month ago in the *Spectateur Canadien* in a letter from a Canadian country student, of which the following is a translation.

"I have just seen with much pleasure, in a late Montreal paper, an advertisement announcing the plan of a Medical Institution in this place. The names of no less than five physicians, are specified as being its founders. As I am from the country, and have not the honour of knowing those gentlemen, I should be very glad to learn in *what language* the medical officers of the general hospital, are to deliver their lectures? and, if I am to judge from the French translation they have printed of their advertisement, whether it is necessary for a young man to understand the principles of that language before being admitted as a pupil? or, will they give their lectures in both languages? To suppose that they mean to lecture exclusively in English, would be to admit that the French language is to be excluded from a public institution, in which the greater part of the pupils will be Gallo-Canadians, who are no more obliged than the professors, to acquire more than one language. When these questions are answered, I may propose others. In the mean time I remain

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