

THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION
OF THE
TORONTO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Will commence on the 2nd October, 1871, and end on last of March, 1872.

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The Toronto School of Medicine, in issuing its Annual Announcement, desires again to call the attention of the Medical Profession and Medical Students to the fact that, mainly owing to the exertions of this institution, and after a struggle of over twelve years, the present Act of Incorporation, establishing a central examining and sole licensing body for Ontario, was obtained. The Toronto School of Medicine has always held that a measure of this kind would secure to the profession and public the best guarantee that every Licentiate had, at least, sufficient professional information to render him a safe and useful practitioner; that the several teaching bodies would occupy a more honorable position; that Teachers and Students would be alike stimulated to greater efforts; that the rivalry between Schools would be generous and healthy; and that the Status of the Profession would be greatly elevated.

Henceforth every School of Medicine must depend for its reputation not upon any special graduating power possessed by it, but very much upon whatever success its students may attain at the examination before this Central Board appointed by the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.

No Degree or Status, imperial or colonial, obtained after July 1st, 1869, entitles the holder to a license to practice in this Province—such license can be conferred only by the Central Board, and after its examination of the candidate. During each of the two years since the present Act has been in force, the number of Licentiates admitted into the Profession in Ontario is only about one-fourth of what it was during each of the four years immediately preceding the Act; and, while of such reduced number of Licentiates the Toronto School of Medicine has furnished as many annually as before the present Act came into force, the relative number proceeding from this Institution has been nearly trebled; and this School is of the opinion, that when the teaching bodies are limited for their supply of pupils to those who have been regularly matriculated