

many and great. Besides those already mentioned, it has the great advantage of giving our students thirty-six months of Academical Instruction instead of twenty-four, or at most twenty-seven as formerly ; and when the great superiority of Systematic Academical Teaching in College and Hospital over the old vacation system of irregular private instruction, or, more often, no instruction at all, is taken into account, the advantage of the change in this respect must be obvious to all.

The change was made, not without some misgivings as to the effect upon the numbers of our students, and we were prepared to see diminished classes for a year or two ; but, as in the case of most other movements that have been made for the advantage of the students, they were the first to appreciate it, and our numbers, instead of diminishing, have this year been much larger than ever.

The changes in the *personnel* of the Faculty during the year have only been such as were rendered necessary by our altered conditions. Professor Roddick asked to be relieved from the duties of the Chair of Clinical Surgery, retaining only the General Chair of Surgery. Associate Professor James Bell was made Professor of Clinical Surgery, and Dr. George Armstrong was made Assistant Professor in the same Department. Dr. F. G. Finley was made Assistant Professor of Medicine and Clinical Medicine, and Dr. Henry A. Lafleur became Assistant Professor of Medicine and Lecturer in Clinical Medicine. Dr. Wyatt Johnston was also made Lecturer in Bacteriology.

In addition to the foregoing, which were University appointments made by the Board of Governors, the Faculty also made some additions to the staff of Demonstrators and Assistant Demonstrators, raising their number to 13, making, with the Professors and Lecturers, a total Teaching Staff of 36 individuals.

I had the pleasure last year of reporting the gift to the Faculty of a portrait of Dr. Robertson, the original Founder of our School. This year we have had the pleasure of