

epidemic then raging. I mention this incident because it shows the high opinion entertained of him at that early time, judging him worthy to be trusted with a post of responsibility, And I mention it for another reason. Roseleith is the native place of our Dean, and there he made his acquaintance. As they then grasped their right hands of fellowship for the first time, neither one nor other had a glimpse of the brilliant future that awaited them in a far-off land, across a thousand miles wide bridge of sea, where they were to be colleagues for more than a quarter of a century, to supply the wants of the Dominion and parts which far outly her borders with troop upon troop of skilful and accomplished practitioners.

In 1834 young Fraser received the license of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow, which is a double qualification, the same as the Medical degree of our University. It entitles the holder to the position, with all the privileges of a general practitioner in that city, so that with it he can there practice Physic, Surgery and Midwifery. Fraser, however, used it more as an honour than a power. Having heard of Canada, where "worth by poverty depressed" rises not so slow as in the mother country, he left home and came out here. Soon after his arrival in this city he was made Apothecary or House Surgeon of the General Hospital, or rather both, for in those days the offices were fused together and held by one person.

While gathering experience of disease in its protean forms in this new situation, he decided upon extending his theoretical acquirements by re-attendance upon lectures. With this view he matriculated in this University, followed the courses, and, having qualified, graduated in 1836.

The graduation class of that year contained another member of high distinction—I mean Dr. William Sutherland, our Emeritus Professor of Chemistry. Dr. Fraser seemed to be so drawn towards him that an intimacy sprang up which time served to brighten, the tendrils of his heart being ever ready to cluster round the charms of a social, manly, philosophic nature. And whenever memory recounts the pleasures of a by-gone oratory that fell in brilliant gleams upon admiring pupils, or a physician to whom the hearts of his sick were gratefully knit in warm affection, or a friend who tenderly felt for another's smart and could cheer the lonesome way with his winsome words, then will it recount some of the graces of a Sutherland!

Having obtained license to practice in Lower Canada—which can be got by proving ownership to one's degree—Dr. Fraser gave up the hospital and engaged in private practice. He realized the fond