

solution of condolence was passed, and forwarded to the bereaved family.

In our last issue, with reference to Dr. Sheard's address, by a typographical error the word *eleant* appeared; should have read *eloquent*.

TORONTO MEDICAL SCHOOL.

At a general meeting of the students of the Toronto School of Medicine, on Thursday, the 25th inst., it was decided to hold the annual dinner at the Queen's Hotel, on Thursday, Nov. 18th. The committee have nearly completed the arrangements, they have issued tickets and have invited about seventy-five guests, and everything promises fair for the best dinner ever held by this college.

Of course in most institutions of this kind an annual dinner is held, but the original intention, we presume, was to have it serve the purpose of a grand reunion of the students at the opening of each session, but it can hardly be said to serve this purpose now, as most of the students have been in attendance at lectures for over a month before it takes place.

Now we do not wish to prove ourselves too radical in uprooting a custom which has prevailed for years, but at the same time we think it would be much more beneficial if the dinner should be held in some suitable place and take the form of *conversazione*, while lady friends might be invited to enjoy the advantage of such convivial entertainments.

The benefits which would accrue from this should overcome any hesitation in making a change in the conservative principles that now exist. It is obvious to everybody that the majority of the students in attendance are not residents of this city, and are entertained by their lady friends in the city during the winter session, in such a way as to make the student life in the city very pleasant, and we have at present no way of reciprocating this kindly feeling shown us. But if a *conversazione* with music, dancing, etc., were held, to which we could invite our lady and gentlefriends alike, there is no doubt but that it would serve all the purposes of the annual dinner and prove highly successful in every respect.

This has been instituted in many colleges, University College included, and has proved highly successful and interesting. The expenses would not be any greater than for a banquet.

Our football club are in practice, and we hope soon to see them engaged in some formidable contests with the best teams in Ontario.

Everything about the school and hospital seems to work very satisfactorily at present, and lectures run on like clock work from eight in the morning till six-thirty at night.

A meeting of the Literary Society will be held Friday evening, at which Mr. D. D. Ellis, a very prominent member, will read a paper on 'Mistakes made in Medical Education.'

General College Notes.

480 students at Kansas University.

The number of students at Oberlin College is 979.

There is a sporting club at the University of Wisconsin.

A new library has been built at the University of Michigan.

The Athletic Association at Ann Arbor is in financial difficulty.

Albert College was established in 1867. It numbers eighty graduates.

The *Kansas Review* is managed by an editor in chief, six editors and two managers.

The University of Pennsylvania had \$50,000 given it to investigate spiritualism.—*Ex.*

The *Argonaut* advocates the establishment of a conversational French and German society.

Amherst has begun a new gymnasium, which is to contain a billiard room for the use of students.

The Geology Class at Cornell has a series of field lectures, there by greatly increasing the interest in the subject.

The *Tech* advocates the establishment of a Glee Club at the Institute. Its reasons, as experience shows, are very good.

The Kingston Female Medical College is meeting with great success. The attendance is much larger than was expected.

Report says that a woman's school, founded on the Vassar plan, is to be erected at Los Angeles, California, at a cost of \$200,000.—*Illini.*

The Polytechnic Institute is full to overflowing this fall in all departments. There are more than eight hundred students attending it.

Oberlin will, in the course of a few years, be the happy possessor of a \$50,000 conservatory of music, a gift of Dr. Warner, of New York City.

Texas stands at the head in regard to the endowment of its University. It has an endowment of \$5,250,000 and 1,000,000 acres of land.—*Ex.*

The President of Bowdoin College has resigned. He will probably accept a professorship in order to retain his connection with the college.

In accordance with the will of the late Lewis Morgan, \$100,000 will go to Rochester University, to be used for the education of women.—*Ex.*

Every young man in France must have a college education, or be able to pass a certain examination, unless he wishes to serve five years in the army.—*Ex.*

The Norse students of Wisconsin University are talking of organizing a Literary Society in which the exercises shall be conducted in their own language.

The Glee Club at the Wesleyan University is re-organizing, preparing to take a trip that will embrace Philadelphia, Newark, Brooklyn, Middleton and Manchester.

The School of Music, at Ann Arbor, opens this year with fine prospects, and is becoming one of the most important institutions connected with that university.—*Ex.*

The Convocation of the University of Oxford has voted £10,000 for building a laboratory, working rooms and lecture room for the department of Physiology.—*Cornell Sun.*

The Faculty of Cumberland University have decided to introduce a series of Lectures as part of the regular course of instruction. Two nights in each month will be devoted to that purpose.

A new system of discipline has been adopted by the Faculty at Bowdoin. All matters of discipline are to be submitted to a jury chosen from the four classes and the five secret societies.

The University of Pennsylvania opened this year with three new departments. One in Philosophy, another in Veterinary Science, and a third in Physical Education. A Lawn-tennis Club has also been started.

Monmouth societies have been invited by Professor Rogers to record in a book the questions for debate, two weeks before they are debated. He will then record along with the questions, a list of books and periodicals bearing on the subject.

"EVANGELINE:" AN ANALYSIS.

II. (Concluded.)

We return now to the theme of the poem. This the poet intends to illustrate in the character and life of Evangeline, who appears before us as the ideal for all succeeding time of

'Affection that hopes and endures and is patient,
The beauty and strength of woman's devotion.'

Never, since the divinely-gifted Homer sang of the constancy of Penelope, the wife of Ulysses, has there been presented to the minds of men such an ideal as Evangeline. Her heroic character is first revealed when her father was stricken down by the cruel decree which condemned the Acadian peasants to

'Exile without an end and without an example in history.'

She did not add her complaints to the already crushing weight of her father's affliction, but showed herself

'Not overcome with grief, but strong in the hour of affliction;
(And) with a smile and a sigh she clasped his neck and embraced him,
Speaking words of endearment where words of comfort availed not.'

Having been separated from her betrothed lover by the violence of the means used in effecting the expatriation of the Acadians, Evangeline makes a weary search for him during many years,

'A maiden who waited and wandered,
Lowly and meek in spirit, and patiently suffering all things,
Something there was in her life, incomplete, imperfect, unfinished;
As if a morning in June, with all its music and sunshine,
Suddenly paused in the sky, and fading, slowly descended
Into the East again from whence it late had arisen.'

Having heard that Gabriel was living with his father, far to the South of Louisiana, Evangeline sailed down the Ohio and down the Mississippi and reached old Basil's plantation, but only to find that the young man 'moody and restless grown,' had the day before set out for the Ozark Mountains in the far West. It added to the bitterness of her disappointment to learn that at the very time when she had felt his presence so near her, as she lay dreaming by her little camp fire the evening