

delenburg, of Rostock. The patient was a boy 8 years of age, who had swallowed sulphuric acid by mistake, resulting in complete constriction of the oesophagus. The operation was performed on the 28th of March, 1878, and the patient is alive and well. The stomach was made fast to the margin of the wound by 14 stitches of silk thread, surrounding a space of about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an inch in diameter. An incision was then made through the walls of the stomach, and a drain pipe inserted, through which nourishment has since been introduced. An unsuccessful case is also reported in the *Lancet* (Nov. 2) by Dr. Bradley of the Manchester Royal Infirmary. The patient, a boy 14 years of age, died apparently of inanition, on the 28th day following the operation.

ROGERS' GROUPS OF STATUARY.—These groups of statuary are now so well known that any lengthened allusion is quite unnecessary. They are made of clay-colored material, and for beauty and life-like expression cannot be excelled. The "charity patient" or "playing doctor" are favorite groups for physicians' offices, but there are a large number to select from. As works of art, Rogers' groups are beyond criticism. A number of historical and other groups have been placed in the museum of the Normal School, Toronto, and are universally admired for their correctness and beauty of finish. One of these groups would be very suitable for a Christmas box. Send to Mr. Rogers, 1155 Broadway, New York, for Catalogue of portraits of groups, prices, &c.

TAPE-WORM IN CUCUMBERS.—Dr. Leidy, of Philadelphia, has announced the discovery that cucumbers are liable to be infested with tape-worm. At a meeting of the Academy of Sciences, Philadelphia, he exhibited a specimen of tape-worm taken from the inside of a large cucumber. It is said to have had all the characteristics of a true tape-worm, but belonged to an unknown species, the peculiarity being that the ovaries, containing the round yellow eggs, are confined to the anterior extremity of the segment.

TRINITY COLLEGE CONVOCATION.—The following gentlemen received the degree of Doctor of Medicine in this University on the 14th ult. A. J. Sinclair, of Paris, and W. McKay, St. Thomas.

TORONTO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE ANNUAL DINNER.—The annual dinner of the Toronto School of Medicine was held in the Rossin House on the 8th ult. In addition to the Faculty and students, the following gentlemen were present; Chief Justice Moss, Prof. Goldwin Smith, Prof. Nelles, of Victoria College, Prof. Croft, Prof. Ramsay Wright, Dr. O'Reilly, Messrs. T. McCrosson and J. Gillespie, Hospital Trustees; Lieut. Col. Otter, Drs. Langstaff, White, Cameron, Kennedy, Pollard, Nevitt, A. H. Wright, D. Clark, (Asylum), Strange, M.P., J. McConnell and W. Clark.

The chair was taken by Rev. Mr. McConnell; the first and second vice-chairs by Messrs. A. Anderson and L. M. Sweetnam, students of the School. The dining room was tastefully decorated. After the removal of the cloth the usual loyal and patriotic toasts were proposed, and duly honored. The "Active Militia" was responded to by Lieut. Col. Otter and Dr. Thorburn. The "Dominion and Local Gov'ts," by Dr. Strange, M.P. The "Toronto University" by Vice-Chancellor Moss, Dr. Richardson and Prof. Croft. Justice Moss alluded to the recent changes in the curriculum, and believed that all would approve of it in the long run. He also recommended a more intimate study of the physical sciences, if we were to keep pace with our brethren in Europe, especially in Germany. The "College of Physicians and Surgeons" was responded to by Dr. Clark. The "Toronto School of Medicine," was responded to by Drs. Aikins and Barrett. The "Toronto General Hospital" by Dr. O'Reilly and Mr. Gillespie. The "Sister Institutions" was responded to by Prof. Goldwin Smith, Dr. Nellis, for Victoria College, Prof. Ramsay Wright, for Toronto University, and Dr. Kennedy for Trinity Medical School. Songs and humorous recitations were interspersed among the speeches. After toasts to the "ladies" and the "press," the meeting closed, having spent a very pleasant evening.

TORONTO UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION.—Medical students who have passed the matriculation examination of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario prior to the 1st of October, 1878, will have their certificates of examination accepted by Toronto University, and may register the same on or before the 1st of March, 1879—the time having been extended to this date.