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RETROSPECT, ASPECT, AND PROSPECT IN MEDICAL
SCIENCE.*

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THE member of the faculty who is commissioned to deliver the opening lecture has to perform, in some measure, the duty of recording the progress made by the Faculty of Medicine during the previous session. To myself that duty is, for this occasion, an exceedingly pleasant one. The last session was one of hard work on the part both of the Faculty and of the students, and the results, as shown by the examinations, were satisfactory. In those of the University, last spring, the number of those who failed to pass was, on the whole, less than in 1892, although the number of students examined was greater and the examination more severe. But it was in the examinations of the Medical Council that the results of last session's work appeared most decisive. The students who underwent those examinations came from seven medical schools, all of which, with the exception of McGill, are within the Province of Ontario. Now, in the returns of the Medical Council for 1893 I find that, of the 112 students who passed the primary examination, 63 belonged to this Faculty, while

*The Inaugural Lecture of the University Medical Faculty for 1893, delivered October 3rd.