

HISTORY OF THE FORMATION OF THE MEDICAL FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BISHOP'S COLLEGE.

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Those who in the early part of the present century established in Montreal the first Medical School in Canada, now the Faculty of Medicine of McGill University, were far-seeing men. The future of Montreal, as a centre for Medical education was evidently not beyond the horiscope of their vision. Events have thoroughly proved the wisdom of the action which they took and persevered in, often, no doubt, amidst much discouragement. A few years later, in 1845, the Montreal School of Medicine was incorporated, and its lectures were delivered in both the French and English languages. This system of double lectures was found not to work satisfactorily and was discontinued. It then became what it is to-day, the medical educational institution for our French speaking confreres. During its history it has in turn been simply a teaching body or School, a Faculty of Victoria University, Cobourg, and now is a Faculty of Laval University.

Such was the position of Medical teaching in Montreal in 1851—This was before my day, but I can imagine existing lines to have been then, as I know them to have been twenty years later. It was this condition which induced the formation of the St. Lawrence School of Medicine, a copy of whose first and only announcement was as follows:—

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