

to render them a stern reality. As soon as the Government began sending a considerable number of our volunteers to these districts, it became necessary for them to organize a staff of Medical Officers to undertake the important duty of providing the best possible surgical assistance in the best possible hospital that circumstances would permit, for the sick and wounded.

Dr. Bergin, M.P., of Cornwall, was appointed Surgeon-General, to remain at Ottawa, control the Medical branch of the service, and advise the Minister of Militia. Dr. Roddick, of this city, was made Deputy Surgeon-General, to proceed at once to the Qu'Appelle district and locate base hospitals in such localities as the General in command might designate. Dr. Douglass, V.C., was made Surgeon-Major and director of the ambulance corps; Hon. Dr. Sullivan, Purveyor General; Dr. Jas. Bell to have the rank of Surgeon, and probably take charge of one of the hospitals; and six Assistant-Surgeons were to complete the regular staff for the present. A number of medical students from this city and Toronto were enrolled as dressers, and have proceeded westward. The whole party left for Winnipeg and the North-West on the 7th inst., and are now on the site of their operations. These appointments are excellent, and will commend themselves to the profession at large; and we have every confidence that no effort will be spared to render the hospital and ambulance service as complete and efficient as possible.

MCGILL UNIVERSITY—ANNUAL CONVOCATION.

The annual convocation of the Medical Faculty of McGill University took place on Monday afternoon, March 30, in the William Molson Hall.

PROF. HOWARD, Dean of the Faculty, read the report as follows:—

The total number of students enregistered in this Faculty during the past year was 234, of whom there were from Ontario, 126; Quebec, 58; New Brunswick, 20; Nova Scotia, 11; United States, 8; P. E. Island, 3; Newfoundland, 3; West Indies, 2; British Columbia, 1; Manitoba, 1; Ireland, 1.

The following gentlemen, 46 in number, have passed their