

has once again come to the assistance of higher education, and has very kindly consented to contribute several thousand dollars towards the erection of a new Academy, and which, with the assistance of others who are interested along similar lines, will mean that the Academy, before any length of time, will have a new building and site worthy of our representative medical body in Toronto. We understand that a new site has been placed at the disposal of the Trustees in Queen's Park, and that it is a very much better one in every way than the present, and one to which there will be attached no building restrictions whatever, and be the home of the Academy for many years to come.

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#### **Ex-House Staff Dinner**

The fifth annual dinner of the ex-house officers of the Toronto General Hospital was held on the 28th ultimo, in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, Dr. Charles MacGillivray, of the staff of 1890 (now practising at Whitby) presiding.

The number of men still living who have served as internes in the General Hospital now reaches some two hundred and twenty-five, sixty-six of whom practise in the city of Toronto.

Dr. Roland Hill, of St. Louis (of the staff of 1890), gave the usual scientific address on "The Borderland of Medicine and Surgery."

Following the toast list, an interesting ceremony took place—the presentation to Dr. Thomas Cullen of "The Toronto General Hospital Gold-headed Cane." This cane is the gift of Mr. P. C. Larkin, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and is somewhat of a replica of the famous gold-headed cane now in the Royal College of Physicians, London, England.

The original cane was carried by six of the leading London physicians in succession, covering a period of 136 years: Radcliffe, Mead, Askew, the two Pitcairns (William and his nephew, David), and Baillie. Baillie died in 1823. His widow presented the cane to the College.