

nor talk to any other patient but to the one who is, at that moment, the subject of the clinical lecture.

Unless they are especially authorised to do so by the *chef de clinique*, students are forbidden to enter into conversation with patients.

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## THE KERMESE.

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The most remarkable event of the year 1883-84 has been the Grand Kermesse of the month of June 1884.

During the month of December, last year, the Committee of the Lady Patronesses agitated the question of holding a Bazaar for the benefit of the Hospital. The suggestion was ardently adopted by all the Ladies, the plan matured, and the work began. A committee of organization was named, and after five months of persevering efforts and steady labor, the Grand Kermesse opened on the 7th of June, under tents, in the garden of the Place d'Armes. The ambulance costume was adopted by all the Ladies in charge of the different departments.

The Kermesse was kept opened eight days, and during that interval it was visited by a compact crowd, anxious to contemplate the admirable work and to contribute to its success. The indefatigable and noble zeal of the Ladies organizers of this charitable festival, was crowned with the best recompense and accompanied by the satisfaction which a good action always engenders, their receipts went on encreasing, till the sum of \$15,021.42 was realized, from which all expenses being deducted there remained a clear profit of \$12,022.89.

Thanks to this help, the Hospital has been enabled to ameliorate its means of existence. The sum of \$9,000.00 has been assigned in part payment of the purchase money for the proprietorship of the Hospital and also for the liquidation of other debts.

The public unanimously praised the zeal and devotedness of the Ladies who organized and so happily conducted the difficult enterprise. The result obtained suffices to prove how well Montreal understood and appreciated not only all that was admirable in such a work, but also the charity of its Directresses.

To all the Lady Patronesses, who so actively contributed to the success of the Kermesse, to all the friends stimulated by their word and example to cooperate in the good work, but especially to all the members of the committee of organization, the administration of