

cellor of the University said playfully at Convocation "that he wondered whether there were not nowadays more doctors than patients"; and (2) that the quality of our Ontario-educated doctors is the best, as is proved by the distinction with which they fill the highest positions both at home and abroad.

The Ontario Government Sound on the Question.

2. I quoted the views of our Government, so forcibly and clearly stated by the Honourable Chancellor of the University in 1892, in speaking of the University Medical Faculty, with which alone Government has anything to do—as all the other medical colleges manage their own affairs. The Chancellor said that "it was the understanding and intention, the policy and pledges of the Government, as signified in their minutes and resolutions, and declared in the Assembly, that the Medical Faculty of the University of Toronto should involve no substantial charge on the resources of the University"; that is, in plain terms, that it should be entirely self-sustaining. These words of the Government are too plain to be misunderstood. And they are as wise and sound in principle as words can be.

Dr. MacCallum thinks his Medical College needs Government Pay, and should have it.

3. All the other Medical Faculties in Ontario are wholly self-supporting; why should that connected with Toronto University be the single exception?

Dr. A. B. MacCallum, however, who is one of the junior teachers in that faculty, and is therefore an interested party, strongly favours the spending of public money for medical education in his own, although not in any other college.

Only Self-supporting Medical Colleges for Ontario.

4. He has recently written two very long, diffuse letters, the two filling nearly, if not quite, *five* columns of valuable

newspaper space in reply to my letter. In the *Globe* of the 3rd inst. I briefly noticed the first of these, which paper also contained the second of the doctor's very long epistles. Both of his letters are, for the most part, mere personal attacks on me, to which I pay no attention. My position is clear and well defined, as well as just, and therefore unassailable, viz. : that every one of our medical colleges should be altogether self-supporting, irrespective of its University connections—meaning by this, *that not one of them* has the slightest right, as a matter of justice to the others and to the tax-paying public, to receive one farthing of public money from any source.

Trinity Medical College is flourishing. Gets no Government Pay. She neither asks for it nor needs it.

5. The medical college over which I have the honour to preside was never more flourishing and successful, in every way, than it is at present, and was never so well and so fully equipped—and all entirely at our own cost. What we can do, and have done, without public aid, every other medical college, if its teaching be such as to command public confidence and patronage, ought surely to be able to do equally well, and for any person to suggest the maintenance of one medical college only, in whole or in part, and that *his own*, at the public expense, is simply a piece of selfishness too gross to be entertained.

Dr. MacCallum ignores the principle contended for, and fills up his letters with all sorts of irrelevant matters.

6. Entirely ignoring the cardinal principle for which I contend, a principle fully accepted and emphatically stated by the Ontario Government, Dr. MacCallum takes up most of his second, as well as of his first letter, with matters which have nothing to do with the main question. He spends columns on my connection, between thirty and forty years ago, with