

curriculum. The first Faculty consisted of:—Dr. James Sampson, Dr. John Stewart, Dr. John R. Dickson, Dr. Horatio Yates, Dr. Fife Fowler, Dr. S. P. Litchfield, Dr. James Williamson.

At the very beginning of the Faculty's career the University laid down the principle that in no way was it to be financially responsible for the Medical Faculty, which was to be supported by fees, private bequests or donations. Such has always been the history of the Faculty, its sources of revenue have always, as at the beginning, been independent of the University.

In 1858 the Government gave the Medical Faculty a grant of £250. This grant was given annually for a number of years, but in what year it was discontinued I have been unable to ascertain. The money thus obtained, or rather so much of it as was not required for the necessary expenses of the Faculty, was later on used to pay for the building at present occupied by the Medical Faculty. Unfortunately I could find no record of the actual amount so taken from this grant and used for this purpose.

In July, 1858, the Executive Committee of the University by resolution decided to erect a medical building which would be used as well for a Convocation Hall and for such other purposes as the needs of the University might require. One portion of the resolution passed at that meeting reads as follows: "That such accommodation could be most easily and most cheaply provided by the erection of a building behind the present College, say on or near the site of the present wood house, inasmuch as from its position no architectural ornament would be at all necessary." Whatever may be said of the Faculty, the building has maintained the reputation then given to it.

After this the University and the Faculty did not work harmoniously. What was the nature of the difficulty I am not prepared to say. The records are very meagre and bald. The bare fact is recorded that the University discontinued its Medical Faculty, and that the Faculty secured a charter establishing the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons. The University