

MODERN SCIENCE AT THE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

"I'll never be myself again!"
 'Twas Mary Ann who spoke,
 And I, a serious Englishman,
 Failed to perceive her joke.

She came from Erin's verdant isle,
 Where all are bright and cheery,
 And so full happy still she was
 'Mid patients sick and weary.

"Oh! yes, you will," the chaplain said,
 "Your arm could not do better;
 You'll soon be washing clothes again,
 Or writing me a letter.

"The Lord has bless'd the surgeon's skill
 And nurses' tender care,
 You have no cause for sorrowing,
 Much less for dark despair."

Twelve weeks she lay 'twixt life and death,
 We gazed upon her sadly,
 Machinery had crushed her arm,
 And she was wounded badly.

At last her arm began to heal,
 And yet the skin grew slowly;
 "It will take months," the surgeons say,
 "If left to nature wholly.

"Let modern science show her powers,
 And quickly will be seen
 A perfect skin upon this arm,
 Such as might grace a queen.

"So come, nurse B. ! come, medicos !
 Hold out your arms, nor fear
 To have the lancet cut your skin,
 Nor shed the timorous tear.

"One tiny piece of skin we ask,
 'Tis not your blood we crave,
 Though some have shed their blood ere now
 Their brother's life to save.

"We ask a tiny piece of skin,
 We'll guarantee no harm,
 To graft a piece on Mary Ann
 Fresh from your living arm."

The medicos when challenged thus,
 Inspired with courage true,
 Like gallant heroes bare their arms
 For all the knife may do !

Nurse B. is equally as brave,
 For love of Mary Ann,
 And, like a Christian woman,
 Does the very best she can.

"One little graft you ask? Take two,
 Or more, if more be wanted,"
 Thus spoke nurse B., and bared her arm,
 By lancets nothing daunted !

The grafts were set and grew apace,
 So Mary Ann was cheery,
 And in her ward she brightened all
 The patients sad and weary.

"I'll never be myself again!"
 Her meaning now is plainer,
 The grafts from nurse and medicos
 Made Mary Ann the gainer !

Yet now she was not all herself,
 But Mary Ann and Co.,
 With others' skin in partnership,
 Which on her arm did grow.

And long as Mary Ann shall live,
 Her arm will still remind her,
 That those who gave their skin for her,
 Could scarcely have been kinder.

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TRINITY CONVOCATION.

THE annual convocation for the conferring of the degrees in medicine was held in the College Convocation Hall on Saturday, 12th inst. The hall was well filled by friends of the successful candidates. The occupants of the gallery furnished music for the occasion as usual, and did not forget to get in some good-natured "gags" as the candidates went forward to receive their various honours. When the names of the lady graduates were called, round followed round of deafening applause. The University conferred on Dr. Chas. O'Reilly the degree of M.D., C.M., *ad eundem*, an honour which he richly deserves.

THE CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS.

Chancellor Allan, in bringing the proceedings to a close, after some introductory remarks spoke as follows: "I would tender my most hearty congratulations to the Faculty of Trinity Medical College for the splendid record of the year's work of which we have had such gratifying particulars given to us by the Dean to day. To those who have graduated to-day, and especially to the gold and silver medallists, I would also offer my warm congratulations on the distinction which they have won and on the industry and hard study which have obtained for them the degrees which have been conferred upon them this afternoon. It cannot but be a most gratifying thing to the gentlemen of the Faculty, who have laboured so earnestly to place Trinity Medical College in the forefront of the medical institutions of this Province, that without State aid, and placed at a certain disadvantage by the action of the Government in specially building up a particular school in connection with another University, that, nevertheless, Trinity Medical College more than holds its own, that it stands higher than ever in public estimation and confidence, and that year by year increasing numbers of thoroughly trained and able men are sent out from its walls. To you, gentlemen, who have graduated to-day, I wish all success in the career which now lies open before you. The profession you have chosen is a noble one, not only by reason of the care or relief of bodily pain and suffering which you may bring by your knowledge and skill to your fellow-men, but because the medical man who follows his profession in the spirit of a Christian gentleman has means and opportunities for good which few others possess. May it be yours not only to be successful in the care of bodily disease, but to exercise a wise and kindly influence among those who may place their confidence in you as their medical advisers. May it be yours to do all in your power by your own pure lives and personal influence to improve and raise the moral tone as well as the physical health of the places which you may respectively make your homes; in short, to be yourselves a power for good in the many ways which are placed within your reach by the influence which your profession gives you.

The following is a list of the degrees granted:

R.C.C.