

large number of the best trained physicians giving a portion of their time and influence to improve the conditions of school life, and that the results will be evident in stronger bodies and better trained minds than are turned out as the finished products of our schools to-day.—
The Woman's Medical Journal.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Deliver not the tasks of might
To weakness, neither hide the ray
From those, not blind, who wait for day,
Though sitting girt with doubtful light.

"That from Discussion's lips may fall
With Life, that working strongly, binds—
Set in all lights by many minds,
So close the interests of all."

To our readers we commend the thoughtful and timely address delivered by the Deputy Minister of Education, Ontario, at the recent opening of the Normal School, Toronto. Every teacher who has given any attention to the subjects dealt with by Mr. Millar knows that serious mistakes (not to use any harsher word) have been made in the past in connection with courses of studies and examinations. To correct the evils which are still in existence caused by these mistakes is largely the duty of those in power. The address is a hopeful ray of light to THE CANADA EDUCATIONAL MONTHLY.

The recent jubilee of the Ottawa Normal School furnishes us with an opportunity to pay a deserved tribute to its Principal. Twenty five years of continuous service in such a responsible position tell their own story, and are the strongest possible testimony to the sterling worth of Dr. MacCabe.

The school has done a grand work for education in Canada, and especially for Eastern Ontario. Hundreds of schools in the eastern rural districts, as well as in the towns, have, by its proximity, been supplied with trained teachers.

The Ottawa Normal School was opened in September, 1875, by the Hon. D. A. McDonald, Lieutenant-

Governor of Ontario. Dr. Ryerson, Hon. Adam Crooks and other prominent men were present and gave addresses.

From 1875 to 1878 the school did academic as well as professional work. In 1878 the Department of Public Instruction decided that owing to the increased facilities for academic work in High Schools and Collegiate Institutes the Normal Schools should confine their course to purely professional training.

Successive additions have been made to the Ottawa School, and to-day it embraces Normal, Model and Kindergarten departments, all well equipped.

Principal MacCabe was born in County Cavan, Ireland, in 1842, and was educated in the Irish National Schools, Dublin Training School and the Catholic University of Dublin. In 1869 he came to Canada to take charge of mathematics in the Provincial Normal School at Truro, Nova Scotia. When the Ottawa School was opened in 1875 he was chosen as its first Principal by Dr. Ryerson. Dr. MacCabe was graduated M.A. from Ottawa University in 1877, and in 1887 the same University conferred on him the degree of LL.D. He was also elected a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 1894.

The subject of our sketch would