

have found the tendency of medical study, elevating and ennobling. And, we do really believe it possible to follow the study and practice of medicine without becoming very extreme evolutionists, that it is possible to attend lectures on this subject without doing any great violence to our conscience, that it is possible to discuss medical subjects in our medical society without feeling any baneful influence, that it is possible even to attend medical dinners and still continue to be *upright*.

The advantages that McGill offers in the way of acquiring a practical knowledge of medicine are by no means insignificant. The recent addition to the medical building, opened during the month of January, with its class-rooms and laboratories, has increased the comfort of professors and students, and given better facilities for practical instruction. The increased hospital advantages too, have given us a better opportunity of becoming acquainted with the clinical part of our course. Our only regret is that we have not had more time to make use of these privileges. We realize that this has been the most important part of our work, and we therefore congratulate those students who may receive all the advantages arising from the lengthened course of study. It may be possible to speak eloquently of heart murmurs, râles, and crepitations, as obtained from text books, but the only true knowledge of these can be obtained from examination of the patient. We may fail to retain all that has been imparted unto us in the lectures, but "that which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled," in the wards and clinics, are the facts which have made an impression upon us.

It would be an evidence of ingratitude, should we fail to speak more particularly of our sojourn in the hospitals during the last two sessions. The Royal Victoria Hospital, situated as it is at the base of the mountain, and towards which the unfortunate may look with hope, is an institution complete in every respect. We cannot describe it