

always truthful and candid with them. Always say just what you mean to a child, and never break your word with them; if necessary put yourself to inconvenience; disappoint yourself and your older friends if need be, but keep faith with the little ones. Be careful not to promise more than you will be able to perform; do not allow any one to frighten them in any way, either by telling stories or playing tricks on them. If they ask information, explain to them plainly and truthfully; or if it is something they ought not to know tell them so, do not deceive them; they are sure to learn the truth sometime. If it become necessary to punish for a fault repeated, do not allow yourself to do it while you are angry—if you do you will do more harm than good; take them away from the family—speak gently, explain and reason with them, and they will generally take pride in doing well at all times. Many children have been made stubborn and wilful by mismanagement. Do not expect more of the young than the old; do not correct them for things that you, by example, teach them every day—even the substance and tone of conversation will be imitated. If you wish your children to be lovers and retailers of scandal and gossip, you have only to talk regularly of the doings, sayings and imperfections of your neighbors and associates, and allow them to tell you of the day's doings at school, etc. Whatever is made the most of at home the children are apt to think is best. How important, then, that we have good and suitable books, pleasant and interesting conversation, and some work suitable to their years, that they must perform every day at the proper time. They should also keep their room and clothes in order as much as possible; have a place for everything and everything in its place. "Order is Heaven's first law." None should be allowed to disturb their belongings; their rights should be held just as sacred as those of the older members.

Some people think it a very fine thing to tease and torment children. Parents should not allow this; by compelling them always to act on the defensive, they will soon learn to be aggressive, and very often the sad results in after life are traced to the spoiling of the disposition of the young. Teach them that they are not to be loved for their pretty looks, or fine clothes, but for their good behavior and gentle ways.

### McGill University.

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF CONVOCATION.

The annual public meeting of Convocation of McGill University was held in the William Nelson Hall in the University yesterday afternoon for conferring degrees in medicine and law. The attendance of friends of the students and of education was very large, the spacious hall being filled to overflowing. The additional interest shewn by the fair sex over previous years is also worthy of remark. Shortly after three o'clock the members of Convocation passed through the hall wearing their picturesque academic robes and ascended the platform. Mr. Peter Redpath one of the Vice-Chancellors of the University presided in the absence of the Chancellor the Hon. Mr. Justice Day. The Professors of members of Convocation representing the Medical Faculty occupied seats to the left of the Chancellor. The Governors and those representing the legal profession occupied seats to his right, and included the following: Professors—Drs. Scott, Fenwick, Howard, Wright, Craik, Godfrey, Roddick, Girdwood, Ross, Gardner, Osler and Shepherd. Members of Convocation—Drs. J. Reddy, G. A. Baynes, Proudfoot, Webb, Bessy, Mondelet, T. J. Alloway, Principal Dawson, Rev. Dr. Leach, Rev. Dr. Wilkes, Messrs. C. J. Brydges, J. M. Molson Professors Kerr, Wurtele, Rainville. Lecturers.—Larocau, Archibald and others.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Revd. Archibald Leach, after which Mr. W. C. Baynes, B. A., the secretary, read the minute of last convention.

In the absence of the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Professor Scott, M. D., read the following report of that faculty: The total number of students enregistered in this faculty during the past session was 118, of whom there were from Ontario 85; Quebec, 42; Nova Scotia, 4; New Brunswick, 3; P. E. I., 5; West Indies, 1; United States, 7. The following gentlemen, 21 in number, have passed their primary examinations on the following subjects: Anatomy, Physiology, Chemistry, materia medica and pharmacy, institutes of medicine, and pathology and zoology. Their names are as follows: Armstrong G. E., Bell Jas., Boyle Albert, Brodie John, Burland Samuel, C., Cannon Gilbert, Cameron Duncan, H., Collson Robert, Cotton Cedric L., Faulkner Daniel W., Fortier Alexandre, Fraser Alex. C., Gillies John A. F., Graves Henry C., Jameson Alexander, B. A., Lane John A., Law Wm. K., Miner Frank L., Oakley William D., Park Geo. A., Smellie Thos. S. D., M. A.

The following gentlemen—thirty-four in number—have fulfilled all the requirements to entitle them to the degree of M. D. C. M. from this University. These exercises consist in examinations, both

written and oral, on the following subjects:—Theory and Practice of Surgery; Theory and Practice of Medicine; Obstetrics and Diseases of Women and Children; Medical Jurisprudence and Hygiene, and also Clinical Examinations in Medicine and Surgery, conducted at the bedside in the Hospital.

The names of the successful candidates, and the subjects of their Thesis are as follows:—

Baynes Donald, M. A. L. R. C. P., Bronchocele; Campbell James, Spasmodic Asthma; Clarke Fincastle G. B., Bloodless operations; Colquhoun George, Clinical Reports; Cook Guy R. B. A., Bronchitis; Cooke Wm. Henry, Food; Coyle Henry W., Erysipelas; Craig Thornton, Erysipelas; Cream Thos. N., Chloroform; Cruthers Wm., Clinical Reports; Eberly Henry A., Pneumonia; Gray John S., Uterine Hemorrhage; Greer Thos. A., Spermatorrhoea; Hunt Henry, Clinical Notes; Johnson Jas. B., Hospital Reports; Lang Christopher McL., Ankylosis; Levi Reuben, Lobar Pneumonia; McLimoye Henry A., Typhoid Fever; Metcalfe Henry J., Diabetes Mellitus; Munro Alex., Tubercle; Murray Chas. H. B. H., Hospital Reports; Powell Robert W., Surgical Cases; Reddy Herbert L., B. A., Hospital Reports; Ritchie Arthur F., B. A., Tubular Wephritis; Robertson Stephen J., Typhoid Fever; Secord Levi, Pulmonary Euphysema; Smith Wm., Alcohol; Snider Fred. S., Acute Ati Rheumatism; Stevenson Chas. N., Clinical Reports; Storrs Arthur, Post Mortem Hamorrhage; Stroud Chas. S., Syphilis; Young Philip R., Hospital Reports.

One of the above named gentlemen (Mr. R. W. Powell) is under age. He was, however, passed all examinations and fulfilled all the requirements necessary for graduation, and only awaits his majority to receive his degree. The following gentlemen, seventeen in number, passed their examinations in theoretical chemistry:—A. S. Greenwood, James J. Guerin, J. P. Cameron, F. J. Stafford, M. C. Rutherford, J. R. Fraser, Milton McCrimmon, H. H. Gardner, W. B. Gibson, A. P. Chisholm, Robert Bell, H. N. Vineberg, George W. Kirk, N. Ayer, D. P. Smith, J. K. McKinlay, M. Bicksted.

Students who have passed examination in Botany and Zoology.

#### BOTANY—CLASS I.

W. J. Neilson, W. D. Oakley, B. F. Butler, D. F. Gurd, W. C. Baker, J. S. Brown, H. Stevenson, J. Smith, W. F. Shaw, J. B. Lawford, A. W. Imrie, E. McNeil, J. B. Carman, P. E. Carman, W. H. Gardner, H. F. Feader, S. A. McDonald, O. Henderson, A. D. Webster.

#### CLASS II.

J. McCarroll, J. G. Scott, S. McNee, T. A. Kidd, F. McLennan, F. Hana, W. Sutherland, J. C. Meltae, F. H. Newburn, J. M. Wilson, H. B. Burwash, C. J. Jamieson, J. M. Smiley, M. Seymour, M. Bicksted.

#### CLASS III.

W. K. Law, C. D. Bancroft, J. S. Edwards, S. K. Herbert, B. Menzies, E. W. Lettree, W. J. Prendergast, T. A. Page, R. C. McDonald, G. W. Oliver, G. A. Wengant, G. C. McCulloch, J. E. McEwenne, W. D. M. Bell, J. A. Mathice, G. Tate, A. Proys, W. Karmon, W. B. Hall, W. F. Mullen.

The ceremony of conferring of degree of M. D. C. M. was next proceeded with, Professor Dawson and Professor Craik officiating. So soon as this was completed,

Dr. Ritchie, a graduate, delivered the valedictory.

Professor Robbins, M. D., followed in an address to the students, of which the following is a summary:—In accordance with time honoured custom, I am here on behalf of the medical faculty of this University to offer to you their hearty congratulations on being this day the recipients of the highest honour which it is their privilege to bestow. After a long, and in the main tiresome race, lasting over four years, you have at length reached the winning post, and are here to-day in the presence of a gracious, admiring and sympathising public receiving the laurels you have so honourably won. You are to be congratulated, gentlemen, not only on having graduated in medicine, but in having done so at such an auspicious a period in the history of our profession and country. There never was a time among us in this Dominion when energetic workers, honest, conscientious men, were in greater demand. It is certainly time to be up and doing when we have one of the chief leaders of public opinion in our midst—a journal of which we would have expected better things upholding the cause of quackery and imputing to us the basest of motives because we attempt to vindicate our right and raise our voices on behalf of a deluded people. The *Toronto Globe* asserts with an air of apparent earnestness that to molest these charlatans in their absurd and often nefarious practice is an unwarranted interference with the liberty of the subject. It positively contends that anyone who considers himself competent either from some inherited charm or from mere—of treating the various troubles of the flesh to which humanity is heir should be