

The writer, who was a member of the staff at the time, with Dr. Lavell and a few other bold hearts, held a meeting at which it was expressed as a general opinion that if the Medical College should then close its doors, they would never be opened again, and that for all time to come Kingston and Eastern Ontario would be without a medical school; whereas, if the life of the institution could be tided over this very critical period, the future might open up new possibilities and new means of taking advantage of them.

So it was resolved that whatever might be in the future, the school should not die if the efforts of the staff could keep it alive. This being settled, the building now used as a House of Industry, nearly two miles from Queen's, was rented for the approaching winter and hastily put into some kind of order for the reception of classes.

It will be understood that while some subjects may be taught quite successfully in any commodious room, there are others which require a laboratory of some kind and apparatus, and that a subject of this latter kind necessarily fared badly, inasmuch as the Medical College moved out of its former home empty-handed. However, the first session, and the only one in these makeshift quarters, was a sort of tentative one to determine how things were likely to turn out. And it was extremely satisfactory, to those most concerned, to find that there was no lack of students to comfortably fill the accommodation. And some of the writer's best friends amongst the old medical men of to-day (1916) were students in that makeshift session.

But this darkest hour, before the approach of the dawn of brighter things, came at length to an end. The next session saw the college located in the old Commercial Bank building near the foot of Princess street, and about a mile from Queen's campus. This new home contained conveniences which it was quite impossible to have in the House of Industry building, such as running water, gas, light, well-fitted class rooms, dissecting room, experimental tables, etc.

In this building the College was housed for a number of years, until the coming of Principal Grant and the erection of