

The high character of the Dean's teaching during this time made it even more difficult, than it would otherwise have proved, for the new Professors, whom he called to his aid, and appointed to fill the vacancies. At this time the Writer was appointed Professor of *Materia Medica* and Therapeutics, to which Chair the duties of another were soon added, *videlicet*, those of Midwifery and Diseases of Women and Children. With further and very willingly rendered help, the Session was successfully completed. All the vacant Chairs were soon satisfactorily filled.

During Doctor Rolph's Deanship, which lasted until 1870, this Medical School was singularly prosperous. When the arrangement with Victoria College was first entered into, the name used was "The Toronto School of Medicine, and Medical Department of Victoria College." The Professors, who had resigned, as they constituted a majority of the Members of the Corporation of the "Toronto School of Medicine," rented a Building from the University of Toronto, in which they established themselves under the old name of "The Toronto School of Medicine," and continued to teach under this name until 1887, when the Members of its Faculty, with a few others, became the Medical Faculty of Toronto University, which was restored, under "the University Act" of 1887. Very soon after resigning from Victoria University and leaving Doctor Rolph in 1856, they opened a Medical School under the old name "The Toronto School of Medicine," and applied for an injunction to restrain Victoria College and Dr. Rolph from continuing to use the name of "The Toronto School of Medicine." The decision of the Court was adverse to Victoria College and Doctor Rolph, (who acted as his own Counsel), and an injunction was granted, on the ground that, as "The Toronto School of Medicine" was a corporate body, and that no arrangement such as that alleged to have been made by "The Toronto School of Medicine" with Victoria College could be legally entered into without an Act of the Legislature authorizing it.

This decision was of no moment, so far as Victoria College and Doctor Rolph were concerned. The Students and the general public knew well that "Rolph's School," as it was called, was wherever Doctor Rolph was teaching, and the Medical Department of Victoria was thereafter advertised as such, with the addition of the words, "Commonly known as Rolph's School," which answered every purpose. From year to year, with the Dean at its head, this Medical Department steadily grew in public favour—year by year, and was for years the most largely attended Medical College in Canada. Having become somewhat enfeebled by age, being then, (1870) in his 78th year Doctor Rolph resigned his Deanship, thereby closing a very active, and useful life as a great Medical Teacher.

*Address to Doctor Rolph.* On the 17th of December, 1856, the Students of the Medical Department of Victoria College presented the Honourable Doctor Rolph with an Address, and a Service of Plate, as a mark of their appreciation of his labours.

In his reply to the Address, Doctor Rolph said:—

It is not for language to convey all the emotions of the mind upon such occasions as the one before me. Unable adequately to do so, I may safely trust that the generous sentiments which have now prompted your action, will enable you to apprehend, though I cannot express, the feelings with which I accept this memorial of your too kind and too favourable consideration.

It is not the least gratifying element of your Address, that you so feelingly appreciate the weighty responsibilities which await you in your professional career, and much of my reward will hereafter, as heretofore, arise from the contemplation of your future usefulness and success.

The reference you make to your duties as Students, will not fail to give a fresh and grateful impulse to my labours as your Teacher. If I have successfully done my duty, it is because you have worthily done yours. This mutual relation is inseparable, —and, although, encouraged by your praiseworthy assiduity and meritorious progress, I could with pleasure continue, (if your interests demanded it), the arduous position you so kindly notice; yet I am glad now to find myself associated with others who will