

passed through, and of the influence which these scenes, circumstances and friends must have exercised and still continue to exert, although silently, on life and character, they must fully recognize the truth of the sentiment expressed in these words:—

"Departed minds abiding influence spread;
The world is taught and governed by the dead."

I will no longer detain you, but conclude by thanking you for your hospitality, and reiterating the previously expressed sentiment of the joy and cordial welcome of the citizens of Montreal.

The CHAIRMAN said they had a number of professional fellow-citizens amongst them, he would propose the toast of "The Medical Profession of Montreal," coupled with that of the "Bench and the Bar."

The toast was suitably responded to by Judge MONDELET and Judge LORANGER.

The CHAIRMAN called on the Vice-President, Dr. Peltier for a toast.

Dr. PELTIER proposed the "Canadian Medical Association. Since their proceedings had been published by the Press, he thought it was a pity that the ladies had not been present; he hoped, however, that the non-professional citizens who were present, would conclude there was no difference of opinion among them. He would call on Dr. Beaubien and Dr. Marsden.

Dr. BEAUBIEN made a suitable reply.

Dr. MARSDEN said he would simply thank Dr. Peltier; their real success as an Association depended upon their union, and he must say they had been happy in the choice of officers elected last year. He had witnessed how skilfully Dr. Tupper had conducted the proceedings, so that all unnecessary discussion might be avoided; he felt happy in returning thanks to the President and other officers. (Applause.)

The CHAIRMAN now called on Dr. Frazer for a toast.

Dr. FRAZER said he thought they were indebted to the retiring officers of the past year. The Association had now established a basis for medical education, which he trusted would be carried out by their successors. He would therefore propose "The Retiring Officers."

Dr. HINGSTON, in reply, alluded to the election of Dr. Campbell and Rottot, men who would do all in their power to promote the interests of the Association. He would state, on behalf of the retiring officers, that, being out of harness, they would be able to do more for the Association. He believed the Committee had done wisely in adopting the system of rotation, as the office of secretary was particularly onerous.

Dr. BLACK, of Halifax, said he could not leave the city without expressing his acknowledgement of the manner in which they had been received, and would propose "The Profession of Montreal."

Dr. DAVID being loudly called for, said although he regretted he had been selected to acknowledge the toast, he did so with pleasure. As their time was limited, he would not make any further remarks, but propose "The Press."

Mr. PENNY briefly responded to the toast.

The toast of "The Ladies" was now proposed, and humourously responded to by Mr. Chapleau.

The agreeable proceedings now came to a close, and the members of the Convention betook themselves to their morning sitting.

THE CONVERSAZIONE.

The disciples of Esculapius proved themselves last evening to be thoroughly conversant with the rites of hospitality. A brilliant *conversazione* given under their auspices at McGill College closed the day's labors and inaugurated the series of entertainments that have been projected for the enjoyment of their professional guests during the week. Fully a thousand invitations were issued, and the halls were, as a consequence, crowded with a distinguished gathering of citizens and strangers. Both within and without the buildings, every attraction that means or taste could supply were provided for the enjoyment of guests. Hundreds of many colored lamps lined the approaches from Sherbrooke street, and sparkled among the little forest of trees that stretches past the front of the College, while an electric blazed from above the centre doorway, and fairly illuminated McGill Avenue throughout its entire length. This latter, produced by the passage of an electrical current from a Groves battery of 80 cells, through two charcoal points, was under the charge of Dr. Baker Edwards, who had certainly every reason to be satisfied with the striking success of his experiment. Dr. Edwards afterwards interested a large auditory in Dr. Dawson's lecture-room, by a series of experiments with the Giessler Tubes, showing the electric light in air, vacuo, and nitrogen gas. The museum and library also served, in no small degree, to furnish means of amusement, while the large hall upstairs gave opportunity for promenading or pleasant chit-chat.

In the centre building, M. Gilbert, the celebrated *chef de cuisine*, offered the attractions of two large supper-rooms, and certainly found no want of patrons.

The *Conversazione* was, in every way, a gratifying success, and only provoked the one regret, that its recurrence is not probable in this city for many years to come.

General Bisset and staff, accompanied by the officers of *Le D'Estree*, (who dined at the mess of the 100th Regiment last evening), Dr. Tupper, and many other distinguished guests, were present.

The following was the

Programme de la Partie Musicale.

1. Bande
CHASSEURS CANADIENS.
2. Souvenir de Kamarouska.....J. Hone.
Choe: MM. MAILLET, CHRISTIAN, PAYETTE et
LAMOTHE.
3. Etude de concert (Inedite).....Mills.
M. OCT. PELLETIER.
4. Grand Air d'Attila.....Verdi.
Madame PETIPAS.
5. Bande
CHASSEURS CANADIENS.
6. The Heart Bow'd Down.....Balse
Monsieur LAVOIE.
7. Grand Fantaisie sur Piano
Madame PETIPAS.
8. Oh! Canada mon pays, mes amours, Labelle
Monsieur MAILLET.
9. Grand Duo de la "Liberte," (Puritani)..Bellini
MM. LAVOIE et LAMOTHE.
10. Bande
CHASSEURS CANADIENS.
Finale: GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.