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## TORONTO, DECEMBER, 1879.

## TORONTO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE ANNUAL DINNER.

The sixth annual dinner of the Toronto School of Medicine took place at the Rossin House, Toronto, on November 13th, and, as usual, was largely attended by graduates, students and guests.

Mr. W. J. Cross, student, occupied the chair. and around him were seated, among others, Rev. Dr. Nelles (Victoria College), Mr. Gold\_ win Smith, Mr. Mayor Beaty, Prof. Croft, Prof. Ramsay Wright, Dr. Geikie (Trinity Medical School), Rev. Dr. Potts, Dr. Strange, M.P., Dr. Workman, Mr. Howells (United States Consul), and Dr. Macdonald (Hamilton). The faculty of the School was represented by Dr. Aikins, Dr. H. H. Wright, Dr. U. Ogden, Dr. Richardson, Dr. Thorburn, Dr. W. W. Ogden, Dr. George Wright, Dr. McFarlane, Dr. Oldright, Dr. F. H. Wright, Dr. Reeve, Dr. Graham, Dr. Zimmerman, Mr. Thomas Heys, and Mr. H. Montgomery. Among other medical gentlemen present were Dr. O'Reilly (General Hospital), Dr. Clark (Insane Asylum), Dr. King, Dr. Burns, Dr. Riddel, Dr. James Ross, Dr. McConnell (Thornhill), Dr. McLaughlin, M. P. P., Dr. Ray (Oshawa), and others. Mr. G. T. Duncan and Mr. B. B. Anderson acted as vice-chairmen.

The Secretary, Mr. Lewis E. Shepherd, announced that he had received letters of regret at not being able to be present from several prominent gentlemen, and read the following telegram from the students of Queen's College, Kingston, amid loud applause:— "The students of the Royal College, imbued with that fraternal feeling which characterizes the generous medical student the world over, extend the right hand of fellowship to their brothers in Toronto. The position taken by the Canadian medical student at home and abroad affords reason for wide and sincere congratulation. May that spirit of generous rivalry for excellence in our profession continue to characterize our schools; and may the lustre of their reputation be untarnished by anything having even the semblance of dishonour !"

Mr. Irish, "mine host," of course was equal to the occasion, and had prepared a dinner which was indeed *comme il faut*.

The CHAIRMAN, in entering upon the list of toasts, said the Toronto School of Medicine had reason to feel proud of the success attending this their sixth annual dinner, and he rejoiced to see the faculty, graduates, and students brought together under such festive circumstances. He noted the recent improvements in the school, and the general advancement in its ways and methods of teaching, and assured the members of the faculty of the high esteem and admiration in which they were held by the students. The first toast was, of course, "The Queen," which was honoured amid cheers and the singing of the National Anthem. "The Governor-General and Lieutenant-Governor" having been heartily drunk, the Chairman proposed "The Active Militia," which brought Dr. Thorburn to his feet in reply. The marital doctor made a few very appropriate observations in reference to our volunteers, and thanked the company for their kind remembrance of them. Following came the toast of "The Dominion and Local Governments," coupled with the names of Dr. Strange, M.P., and Dr. McLaughlin, M.P.P.

Dr. Strange replied, and in the course of his remarks referred to the honourable positions that some members of the profession in Canada had obtained in the political arena. Dr. Tupper had become Sir Charles Tupper, and a member of the Dominion Government. Dr. Robitaille had been made Lieut.-Governor of Quebec, and Dr. Blanchet had been elected Speaker of the Commons. Dr. Strange advocated the registration in Ontario of all who, by virtue of British qualifications, held a license to practise in any part of Her Majesty's dominions, but also expressed himself in favour of reciprocity in this