

Faculty; Alma Mater was responded to by Chancellor Henecker; the toast of "Dean and Professors" came from the 1st vice-chair, and was responded to by Professors Kennedy and Cameron.

DR. KENNEDY said:—As one of the older members of our Faculty it affords me much pleasure to respond to this toast. When I look around this board to-night, and see gathered together Professors, Graduates and Students mingling in friendly intercourse and enjoyment, I cannot but feel that as a Faculty we have every reason to be proud of the result of the efforts made during the years now past in establishing the Medical Faculty of Bishop's College. Those amongst us who can look back to its commencement well know what difficulties were encountered, difficulties which, in the earlier years, endangered our very existence, but which, as our meeting here to-night demonstrates, we have successfully conquered. A little over eleven years ago we launched our bark upon the sea of time, uncertain of the result, believing there was ample room for our existence, and not doubting but that we could materially advance the progress of medical education. Hoping for success we were not without the fear that possibly our efforts might prove a failure: that we have met with no uncertain success the number of our graduates will show. Many absent from us to-night are scattered widely indeed: in Europe, in Asia, for even China holds a representative; in South America we have men working their way to distinction; and in Canada and the United States we are not unworthily represented. We thus prove that there was a place for us, and that medical education is not degraded by our existence. Many changes have taken place in the *personnel* of our Faculty during the past ten years: of the original eleven only four remain,—death, resignation and removal to other places accounting therefor; and though we have lost men who did good work and were instrumental in making a name for the school, yet have we been so fortunate as to replace them by men equally as capable of maintaining that name and of continuing the work of their predecessors. In the choice of members this Faculty has ever made it a rule only to appoint such as were fitted for the position by their ability to teach and knowledge of the subjects to be taught. We well know that the work we have had to do has been no easy task, and when it is considered that from the first it was self-imposed, and undertaken with but the merest shadow of remuneration can it be wondered that it has been successful.

Failure is almost impossible with men earnest in their efforts, and believing in the mission they are called upon to execute. We have proved beyond a doubt that as a school we can bestow as thorough a medical education as can be obtained at any other medical school in the Dominion, and though we put forward no extravagant claim to superiority we certainly do claim that we are second to none. In the past twenty or more years medical science has advanced with rapid strides, necessitating the addition of considerable new matter to the subjects previously taught. Especially is this to be seen in the direction of practical demonstrations. Early recognizing the advances made in sanitary science, lectures on Hygiene were added to our curriculum of studies. This school not only being the first to teach this subject, but also the first to make attendance compulsory on the part of our students. Again the many new discoveries in Physiology led us to establish a chair of Practical Physiology, and for some years this was the only school in Canada in which the subject was practically demonstrated; even now we may claim to possess a more varied and extensive apparatus for the purpose. The practical departments of Chemistry and Anatomy are also fully provided for; and in the department of Practical Obstetrics we possess superior advantages. Among the early difficulties with which we had to contend was a want of confidence and support from the friends of the University which had accepted us as their medical faculty. Many were afraid that we would add but little lustre to its name. I think I am right in saying that we have done nothing to dim that lustre, but on the contrary, we have been the means of extending its name, enabling it to be recognized as a University indeed, lifting it, if I may be allowed so to speak, from being a local institution and confined to a particular portion of our population, into a position where it must exert a greater influence. It gives us much pleasure to note the establishment of a Faculty of Law, thereby increasing its claim to be called a University. I cannot pass on without a word of regard for our venerable Dean (unfortunately his infirmity prevents him from being present, but though absent in body I know that he is with us in spirit). If ever the history of the Medical Faculty of Bishop's College is written the name of Dr. David will be found prominent among the names of those who assisted at its foundation. There is no one living who knows