

work, however, is that in spite of all these organizations, and reorganizations and disorganizations, the numbers of students are decreasing. By the report of 1892 certain numbers were assumed as a fair basis of calculation. Already the numbers are much below what was expected. Is this the fault of the staff, or the fault of the intending student who does not know a good thing when he sees it?

It may be said in closing that some of the more selfishly ambitious younger members of the faculty, in their desire to create positions for themselves, caused much ill-feeling five years ago. Judging by what we see and hear this ill-feeling is by no means dying out; and many of the old friends of the University and the Toronto School of Medicine regard the present state of affairs as riding for a fall. Some express the belief that good feeling will again prevail in the faculty. We certainly hope so, but are afraid that the feeling of antagonism existing between individual members is too deeply seated, and of too personal a nature, to render such a result possible.

The Victorian Order of Nurses.

THE REVIEW had the courage to declare against this scheme when it was first placed before the public. It was condemned as impracticable and Utopian. We are glad to notice that the Ontario Medical Association, in a strong resolution, condemned the movement. There are plenty of ways of honoring our noble Queen besides establishing a new order of nurses. Just as well raise a large fund to educate a Victorian order of doctors, or druggists, or ministers who would be supposed to work for nothing, or ridiculously small pay among the poor. The MEDICAL REVIEW is still of the opinion that the new order of nurses, even if started, would soon die out, and would tend to throw discredit on the many other successful Jubilee undertakings.

Lodge Practice.

THIS question has again been raised by the references to it in Dr. John Coventry's presidential address at the Ontario Medical Association. Though the worthy doctor said some very hard things about the evils of lodge practice, he was certainly not one whit too hard. Where in all the world can you find such a lot of fools as doctors are in this very matter? There is not a single argument that can be