

THE MEDICAL STUDENTS' DINNER.

The seventh annual dinner of the Manitoba Medical Students' Association took place on the evening of the 19th, at the Clarendon. A large gathering assembled around the festive board, consisting of the past and present students of the college, to the number of fifty, the various professors, and several guests. After doing ample justice to the recherche and varied menu provided by "Mine Host Bennett," gastronomic exertions being stimulated by the melodious strains of a string band, the toast list was attacked, the president of the Society, Mr. Todd, and Vice-President Westbrook, who gracefully performed their several duties, proposing them. The various professors in their replies fondly patted themselves, and the students still further laid it on, so that these august individuals were in a perfect condition of beatitude during the evening, their Santorini muscles folded into permanent graceful curves. There can be no question that the gentlemen who founded the Medical School and have diligently worked it up to the perfection which it has already attained to, have every right to feel proud of their success, which was practically demonstrated at this gathering, by the number and unusually intelligent appearance of those whom they have taught and are teaching. It is to be earnestly hoped that the great and gratifying success which has attended their endeavors in the past will stimulate them to increased exertions in the future. The crude machinery which was only attainable at the initiation of the school is now by no means sufficient for its rapidly extending work—regard must be had for the position the graduates of Manitoba College take alongside those of older colleges, and this will be largely determined by the machinery of education which is provided for them. Their own merits, though superlative they may be, will count for little, if the Institution from which they graduate is not in accord in its system of teaching with the spirit of the age, and that reciprocity which they might, under other circumstances, reasonably ask for, will be unattainable. We believe, however, that the Faculty have grasped this

fact; and that their desire is to render as perfect as possible the educational advantages obtainable in the Medical School established in Winnipeg. If the material continues to be as plastic and adaptable for the creation of medical practitioners as the great bulk of that which has hitherto passed through their hands, the medical graduates of Manitoba will become known in the world of science.

THE DOCTOR.

[Sympathetically dedicated to the medical fraternity
convalescent.]

Who works from morn till set of sun,
Is a'day long upon a run,
And yet whose work is never done?

The Doctor.

Who, when at last he seeks repose,
And falls into a gentle dose,
And makes sweet music through his nose?

The Doctor.

Who's roused up in the dead of night,
By some one in a dreadful fright,
Who's sure she's going to die outright?

The Doctor.

Who, when the days are scorching hot,
Can seek no cool, sequestered spot,
Because he must be on the trot?

The Doctor.

Who must an even temper keep,
And hide his thoughts and feelings deep,
To cheer up those who wail and weep?

The Doctor.

Who has to hear of countless ills,
And deal out multitudes of pills
To those who never pay their bills?

The Doctor.

Who must be always very wise,
Ready to give profound replies,
Whatever question may arise?

The Doctor.

Who, when the mercury is low,
Long, weary miles must often go
Through cutting winds and blinding snow?

The Doctor.

Who must not show that it's a bore
To hear each family history o'er
Five generations back or more?

The Doctor.

Who takes our aches and pains away,
And gives us courage day by day,
To cheer us on our healthward way?

The Doctor.

Who should be placed among the saints,
Whom history with us acquaints,
For patient listening to complaints?

The Doctor.

MINNIE MAY CURTIS, in *Inter-Ocean*.

Whose bill should be most promptly paid,
By those whose death has been delayed,
By his most friendly, skilful aid?

The Doctor's

—The Medical World.