

were the reports contained in the local press and sent out by the associated press, e.g., one Toronto daily stated our loss as over seventy thousand dollars. These reports will no doubt do much injury in deterring students from entering the Medical department owing to supposed loss of building. Immediately after the insurance appraisal a staff of workmen were set to work, and already the work is so advanced that the entire building will be in first class shape by the 20th August.

Sufficient apparatus has already (July 20) been secured in the Bacteriological department to carry on the routine Public Health work now done in this department. Orders have already been placed for a complete outfit of incubators and sterilizers, and delivery is promised by the 1st of September.

The replacement of the Library will be a slower process, as unfortunately many bound copies of scientific journals were destroyed, many of which it will be difficult, if not impossible, to replace. It is expected, however, that the connection of the library with the Association of Medical Libraries will make this task easier, as duplicate copies can be secured in many instances.

Fire at any time is an undesirable visitor, but the Medical Faculty feel that they were at least fortunate in that the fire area was so limited, and that the fire occurred at a season of the year when repairs could be effected without interference with class work.

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### VASOMOTOR AMAUROSIS.

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THIS has reference to sudden blindness of brief duration, and, in the case related, limited to one eye. Very little literature is available on the subject, and most of what has been found is indefinite and unsatisfactory. Hughlings-Jackson speaks of "epileptic amaurosis" as a limited or substitutional attack in which the visual aura is the only symptom. Spratling describes a "retinal epilepsy" in which there is sudden blindness of both eyes of brief duration and not followed