

has not been achieved without difficulty. We have had to contend against opposition, friendly, it is true, from without, and against lukewarmness, if not opposition, from within. Situated as we are, with Montreal to the East and Toronto to the West, we have had to contend against two powerful centres of medical education. Queen's is situated in a small city and, consequently, the material at the disposal of the professors of Clinical Medicine and Clinical Surgery is somewhat limited. Anyone who knows anything about medical education realizes how important clinical teaching is. I am happy to say that this disadvantage has been greatly lessened within the past two years, as our students now have the advantage of clinical instruction at both the General and the Hotel Dieu hospitals. There have been those connected with Queen's who not only thought but said that there was no room for a medical school in Kingston. Even Principal Grant for years was of this opinion. Before the close of his remarkable career of self-sacrifice and devotion to Queen's he was convinced of his error and he was great enough to publicly acknowledge that he was wrong. The success of the Faculty convinced him not only that there was room for a medical school in Kingston, but forced him to the conclusion that there was a work for it to do, and that it was doing that work well. The simple fact that the Faculty has existed for 50 years, surmounted all difficulties, and gone on from year to year prospering and becoming more and more efficient, is proof, if proof were needed, that there is not only room for Queen's Medical Faculty, but that it is a necessary part of the educational force of the Province. Permit me to say, further, Mr. Chancellor, that the Medical Faculty has not been content to remain stationary. Medical education to-day differs very materially from medical education of, say even 10 or 15 years ago. Then the teaching was mainly didactic. Now it is largely practical. This change in the methods of teaching necessitated great additions to the equipment of a medical college. Queen's Medical Faculty has endeavoured to meet the modern requirements, and so laboratory after laboratory has been added and equipped so that we feel that we can say to intending students: "You can receive at