

rooms, and all apparatus necessary for the thorough teaching of nursing.

Every possible attention has been paid to the heating and ventilation of the building.

Owing to the location of the hospital emergency cases are continually coming in; these, of course, demand immediate attention, and in order to meet such demands, an emergency ward is situated on the ground floor, provided with the necessary appliances.

In every department, strict attention has been paid to the comforts and immediate wants of all patients. As yet, no lying-in department has been provided in the hospital, owing to the want of room.

Preparations are being made for the out-door department, where the destitute poor may receive proper medical attendance.

The hospital is on the same footing as the Toronto General and Homeopathic Hospitals, receiving the Government and city grants. The object is to make it a self-sustaining institution. To the many who may imagine this to be a Catholic institution wholly, we may state, that having received the Government and city grants, patients, irrespective of class or creed, will be received.

#### CONCERNING THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF TORONTO UNIVERSITY.

The JOURNAL desires to thank its numerous friends and readers for their words of encouragement and commendation respecting the JOURNAL's independent attitude and criticisms. As was stated, the JOURNAL would be truly provincial, at the same time know no school or university, but would, without fear or expectation of favour, follow a course which it thought would be in the best interests of the general profession. Conforming to the principles thus laid down, the JOURNAL freely and without bias or partiality criticized the "reconstruction" of the Medical Faculty in the Provincial University. It pointed out the abuses which had arisen and were likely to arise out of the system of appointments by the University Senate and elections to the Senate which would, and evidently did, give encouragement and facilities to ambitious manipulators. It did not wish to make any aspersions con-

cerning the members of the Committee of the Faculty of Medicine, all of whom are upright, honourable men, nor did it desire or intend to cast any reflections whatever upon any of the medical candidates for the Senate. . . It has been charged in letters to the daily press that the JOURNAL had attacked the candidature of four gentlemen in a most malicious manner. This is entirely incorrect. All the malice of which the JOURNAL has any knowledge is that displayed by the writers of the letters. What the JOURNAL did intend to expose was the stealthy whispering and concealed wire-pulling of men, who were afraid to openly confess themselves applicants for advancement in the Medical Faculty, lest their records and qualifications might be exposed to criticism and themselves given what is due them. It directed attention to those who seek to attain their purposes by directly or indirectly misrepresenting or traducing others, and who, after thus obtaining their ends, pose or would pose as if by merit raised to their proud eminence.

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The results of systems which give such encouragement to the medico-politician and the work of that class are becoming very apparent. The JOURNAL is informed that a split has already occurred in the Medical Faculty. It is rumored that some of the professors of more recent date are seeking to undermine their brother professors and colleagues. And it is quite apparent from the letters in the public press, written by some who seem to have forgotten temporarily their own names, that harmony does not exist in the Faculty.

These writers are willing to conceal themselves behind the hedge of a nom de plume and hurl therefrom untrue statements and base misrepresentations without any seeming reason, except the incentive of sinister and selfish motives.

One of these puerile scribblers ("Scrutator") carried it so far that the Registrar of the University found it necessary to officially call him down. Presumably, these are the men who issued an unsigned circular in behalf of four candidates, which was given a semi-official appearance in order, apparently, to the more readily mislead. Such practices cannot be too strongly condemned.

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The JOURNAL is not at all surprised to learn that as one of the results above referred to, and in con-