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Trinity Universities they formerly had medical faculties in affiliation and granted medical degrees; but they have given up both these functions years ago.

Note the wording of the section: "Now by law authorized, or which may be hereafter authorized, to grant degrees in medicine and surgery, and which establishes and maintains to the satisfaction of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario a medical faculty in connection therewith." Could anything be plainer? To be entitled to representation they must do two things—grant degrees in medicine and surgery, and they must establish and maintain a medical faculty. These three named universities do neither now.

Then look further at the language. "Now by law authorized" means those universities named in the Act when passed; whereas, "or which may be hereafter" means those that may be called into existence after the passing of the Act. Both classes of institutions must grant medical degrees and have an active medical faculty. A lawyer paid a big fee might try to read some other meaning into this section, but no one who regards the ordinary meaning of the language used could come to any other conclusion than the one we are now contending for.

If the University of Ottawa established a medical faculty it would be then entitled to representation; but not at present while this power is dormant.

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENT.

The Chair of Pathological Chemistry in the University of Toronto left vacant by the resignation of Professor J. B. Leathes has been filled by the appointment of Dr. Andrew Hunter, a distinguished graduate of the University of Edinburgh.

Dr. Hunter occupies a prominent position in the scientific world and although a young man has a brilliant record in Europe and America. He was associate with Professor E. A. Schafer for three years and has done a lot of research work. He was associate professor of Biochemistry in Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and was afterwards appointed biochemist in the United States Public Health Service. He had an appointment, too, in the University of Leeds, where he carried on investigations in Physiological Chemistry.

His recent investigations on the subject of "pellagra" are of great interest and the University is to be congratulated on securing the services of a man of such high type and attainment. It was feared that it would be almost impossible to replace Professor Leathes, as this field is restricted and the choice is limited to a very small number of really capable men.