

ported on his right by Lieut.-Governor Robinson, Hon. Senator Allan, and Provost Body, and on his left by Hon. Edward Blake, Mayor Boswell, Dr. Widdifield, and others. After dinner was served the sound of the bugle announced the commencement of the toasts. The chairman delivered the opening speech, and in doing so referred to the large increase in the number of Trinity students, which made it the largest medical school in Canada, and also to the honor and success which her graduates had gained in other lands. He made a humorous defence of the students against the charge that they were a noisy, reckless crew, and concluded by proposing the health of "The Queen." "The Governor-General and Lieut.-Governor of Ontario," was responded to by Lieut.-Gov. Robinson. He referred to the large number of medical students about him but said that our vast country would give wide field and scope for their talents. Every profession in Canada had to contribute its portion to the welfare of the State, and he had no doubt the medical fraternity would do its full share thereto. "The Dominion and Provincial Legislatures," was the next toast. Hon. E. Blake, who was cordially received, said he was afraid that in the ranks of the political doctors there were more quacks than among the medical profession. Some people believed that their patient—Canada—was in rather a critical condition. It was said she had been bled too freely; that there were some organic defects in the system which ought even to render an operation necessary. But he was inclined to think that she would stand a good deal of killing. The legislators of this country had serious duties to discharge in welding the various parts of this country into one nation, and creating that unity of feeling essential to make Canada the country she ought to be. To its success was essential a widely diffused education, and a widely diffused public spirit. No man in Canada made a stronger candidate for Parliament than a popular country doctor. No man had more influence, and with the influence came responsibility. The medical profession was indeed a noble one. In the strict line of duty, it was a business of blessing. After referring to the great advances made in recent years in medical science, he concluded by wishing the profession all prosperity. Senator O'Donohoe also responded.

Dr. Widdifield responded on behalf of the "Prov-

incial Legislature." He referred in feeling terms to several of his old friends on the staff of Trinity Medical College, and especially to one who was absent owing to recent family bereavement. He also said that he had had an opportunity of visiting the medical schools of the United States and Europe, and could say that the medical schools of Canada compared favorably with any he had seen. The "Mayor and Corporation" was responded to by Mayor Boswell, who told the students that if they went home singing their songs without shouting he would guarantee they would not be molested by the police. The "Universities and Sister Institutions" was responded to by Chancellor Allan, Drs. Aikins, Barrett and others; "Trinity Medical School," by Dr. Geikie, the Dean; "Toronto General Hospital," by Dr. O'Reilly; and the "College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario," by Dr. Morton. The "Learned Professions," "The Ladies," and the "Press," were duly honored. A number of College songs, solos and glees enlivened the proceedings.

ONTARIO MEDICAL ACT AMENDMENTS.

The Committee appointed by the Ontario Medical Council at its last meeting to draft certain amendments to the Ontario Medical Act, met on the 4th ult., and after discussing certain proposed amendments, had an interview with the Attorney-General and other members of the Government, with reference to the same. The Attorney-General promised to give the matter his careful consideration. The proposed amendments were published in the daily press so that we need not reproduce them here. There can be no doubt about the propriety, nay the necessity, for the enactment of some of the clauses. Others, however, are more open to question. The first provides that no College or University shall be entitled to send a representative to the Council unless it has a medical staff of teachers actively engaged in teaching. This clause seems necessary inasmuch as there is a preponderance of college representatives, out of all proportion to the number of territorial members so that in justice to all parties it became necessary either to increase the number of territorial members or lessen the number of College representatives. Another clause which it is most desirable to have placed on the statute book provides,