

He was an intimate friend of Sir John Macdonald, who induced Sir James to enter the arena of Canadian politics. Here he was eminently successful, and was one of Sir John's most active lieutenants. During recent years he has taken an active interest in the question of the proper treatment of victims of tuberculosis. He received the honor of Knighthood in 1891. We are pleased to be able to say that he is now in excellent health. Long may he remain so!

TRINITY MEDICAL COLLEGE.

There have been many rumors during the last few months as to certain changes which are likely to take place in the relations existing between Trinity Medical College and Trinity University. It is probable that the Medical School will shortly become the Medical Faculty of the University. It is also proposed to erect a new and modern medical building for the new Faculty. These proposals do not necessarily mean that federation of Trinity with Toronto will not take place, but they indicate that the prospects for such federation are not so bright as they were some time ago. The recent improvement in the financial conditions of Trinity, brought about through the skill, tact and energy of Provost Macklem, seems to have made that University more hopeful as to its future, and more independent in its negotiations. We are told by some that unless Toronto yields to Trinity's stipulations regarding the respective relations of Trinity and University Colleges to the central University, there will be no Federation. We understand that the Provost is preparing a definite statement of Trinity's position which, when published, will be read with much interest by many who appear to have extremely vague ideas about these matters now. In any case we should suppose it wise on the part of the Medical College to enter into the proposed closer relations with the University. In connection with the proposal to erect a new medical building, it might be well for Trinity and its friends to remember that the present success of the Medical Faculty of Toronto University is largely due to the Science teaching in the primary branches. To erect new buildings and provide equipments equal to those of Toronto would now cost pro-