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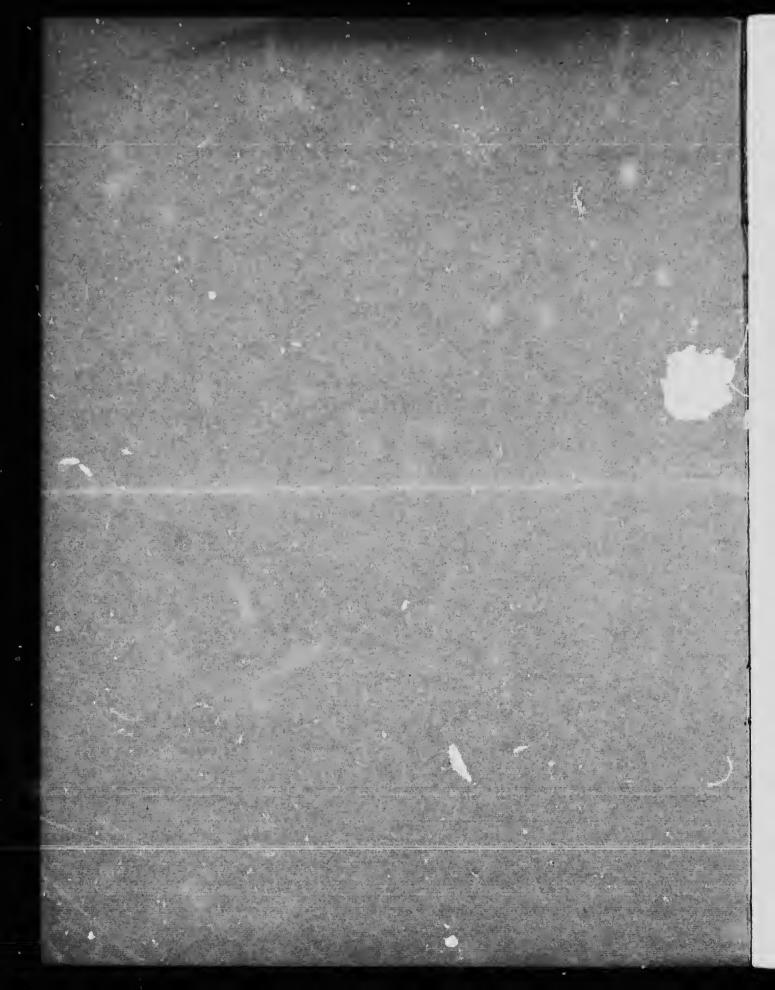
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THE NEW MEDICAL BUILDINGS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

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The new buildings for the department of physiology and pathology of the University of Toronte, which are to be formally opened in October next, are the first to exemplify the unit system of laboratory construction proposed by Professor Minot,* of Harvard University, and consequently an account of them may be acceptable to all who are interested in laboratory administration and construction.

The main features of the unit system, as outlined by Professor Minot, are all comprehended in the character of the laboratory 'unit' room. This must, first of all, be no larger than is required to accommodate readily the maximum number of students whose practical instruction a single demonstrator can efficiently guide and control. It must also be of such dimensions that it can, at need, be made to serve as a museum, a library or reading room, or a small lecture room. The units, further, must be so placed with respect to one another, preferably in pairs or series, that, by the removal of the partitions separating them, rooms of larger dimensions may, when desired, be obtained at a minimum cost and in a short time. The dimensions of such a unit, as determined by Professor Minot, are 23 x 30 eet, and this room will accommodate twenty-four working students, which number, experience shows, is the largest that should be under the supervision of a single class demonstrator.

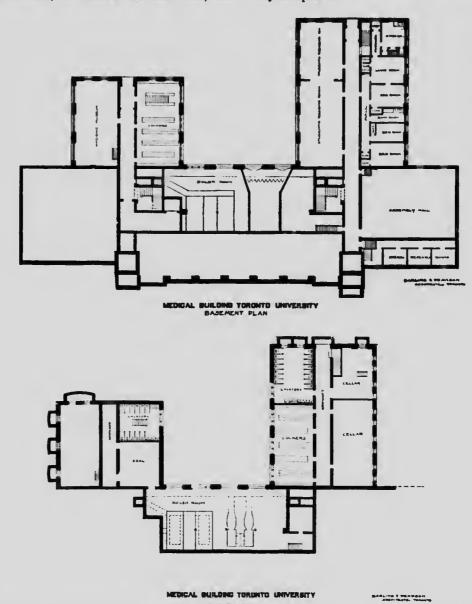
* ' .adelphia Medical Journal, Vol. VI., p. 390, 1200; Science, Vol. XIII., p. 409, 1901.

The system, as may be seen, offers the great advantage of elasticity, for a laboratory director may enlarge or contract, at

t, or according to the needs of the occa or, the accommodation required for a class, a feature that does not obtain in any other system of laboratory construction. It has also other and not less important advantages. The cost of construction is less than in any other system, it adequately provides for the all-important question of light, and it permits of subsequent extensions and additions without disturbance of the original arrangements. It is also to be noted that the system provides for the formation of smaller rooms through the division of the unit.

All these points were thoroughly canvassed when, nearly two years ago, the medical faculty of the University of Toronto took up the question of erecting new laboratory quarters for physiology, physiological chemistry, pathology and public health, and discussed the various plans of construction offered. The result was that the faculty unanimously recommended the adoption of the unit system for the pro-The university trusposed laboratories. tees accepted the recommendation, and eonstruction, begun in August last year, has progressed so rapidly that the buildings are completed and the equipment is now being put in. The whole is, therefore, at the moment in such a stage as to permit one to say to what extent the object sought has been attained.

Architecturally, so far as the exterior is of the buildings, however, is, on the whole, concerned, the utmost has been done, convery acceptable.



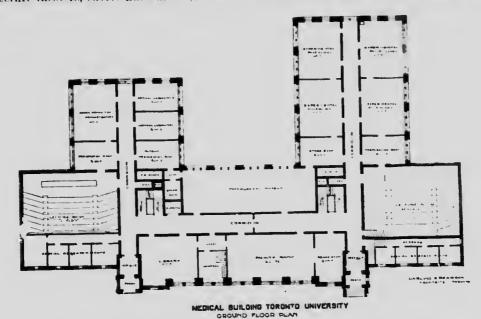
sidering the difficulties that the enormous window space interposed. The appearance satisfactory. The accommodation it fur-

nishes, as well as the conveniences of arrangement it offers, is sufficient to demonstrate the great advantages of the unit system over the common, more or less haphazard, system of laboratory construction everywhere illustrated.

The buildings are to house physiology, physiological chemistry, pathology and public health. The wing to the right, as shown in the accompanying diagrams, accommodates physiology and physiological chemistry and contains, in addition to the lecture theaters, twelve units and eight half

of the units as suggested in Professor Minot's later paper.

What these modifications are may be gathered from examination of the copies of the plans of the various floors of the buildings. The latter are in the form of the figure \square , the lecture theaters forming wing-like extensions at the angles of the figure. This latter arrangement was adopted in order to permit the lecture rooms to be lighted from their roofs, and at the same time to avoid afterfering with the light for the units. An additional ad-



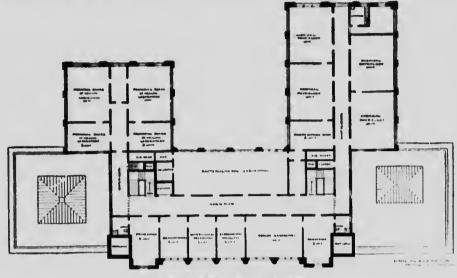
units. The other departments occupy the main portion and the left wing, which costains sixteen units and fourteen half units.

In the construction of these buildings according to the unit system special local conditions had to be considered and, further, the possibility of their extension in a few years was a factor in determining the arrangement as a whole. This necessitated important unfactions in the disposition

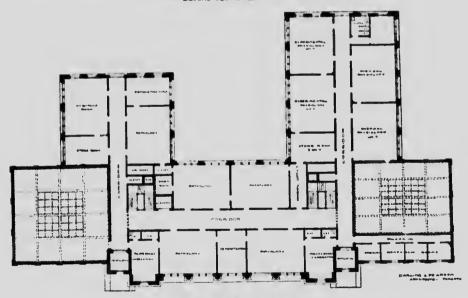
vantage resulted from the arrangement in that the corridors, which are centrally placed, permit ready access to the lecture theaters and units from the entrances and from the students' quarters.

The units are, for the most part, grouped in pairs on each side of the corridors on the various floors. The walls of the corridors are of brick, but those which separate the units from each other are of wood and plaster only, and they can consequently be removed in a few hours without leaving

Each unit communicates directly with its neighbor by a door, and, further, has two



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traces of their disturbance other than doors opening into the corridors. It is thus those on the line of the fresh plaster added.

possible at any time to form two rooms out

of a unit, each of which will communicate directly with the corridor,

The window space devoted to each unit is ample. It is, in fact, as large absolutely as the supporting capacity of the outer wall will safely permit. The window area is 242 square feet, while the outer wall of each unit measures 420 square feet. The window area is, therefore nearly three fifths that of the outer wall. The terminal units of the wings have additional window space in their second outer wall, and of course in these the lighting is lailliant. In all the other units, however, to lighting is, as already said, ample.

The corridors are lighted from the half doors, from the large vindows at the ends of the wires and from the wells over the stairway. In examination of the building itself shows that this provides sufficient illumination with diffuse daylight, and even on very dull days it is enough for all except, perhaps, the main corridor extending between the two lecture theaters on the ground floor, and then resort may be had to electric lighting.

The two stairways are lighted from the roof, and are so placed as to permit the student reaching any floor directly from the basement, where the reading and writing rooms are situated. The locker rooms and lavatories, on the other hand, are in

the sm.oasement and can only be reached from the basement corridor.

The wings are, including the busement and subbasement, tive stories in height. The main portion is only three stories, if we leave out of account the boiler room. This arrangement is due to the fact that the rear purt of the building is phaced in a shallow ravine. White brick, w'd stone fucings here and there, is the material; the roof is flat and bordered all round with a brick parapet.

The building is heated by e' forced over heated coils by large funs doven by steam and the ventilation is thus, in part, provided for, and also by the exhaust currents in the ventilation turrets which rise over the entrances.

A feature of special interest is presented by the small research rooms. The half units are intended to be used for various purposes, but chiefly for small groups of students pursuing advanced work or for special lines of research, but each of the fifteen small rooms, shown in the plans as adjacent to the lecture theaters, is reserved for individual workers carrying on selected investigations. These, with the other arrangements described, hav been designed with the view of making the buildings a home for research.

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