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ADDRESS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Board of Trustees of Jefferson Medical College announce to the Medical Profession the entire re-organisation of the Institution. This became necessary owing to the lamented death of the Professor of Chemistry—Dr. Green—and to the retirement from the school of Professors Revere and Paulson.

In forming the new corps of Professors, the Board have been desirous of obtaining the services of gentlemen who are known throughout this country as practised teachers; and who have likewise a wide-spread reputation as writers on different subjects of their profession; whose very names, indeed, would be a source of confidence, and a presage of success. With this view, they have banished all personal feelings, and in the appointment of Professors have endeavoured to keep singly in view that which appeared to them to be most conducive to the stability, dignity and reputation of the school.

In the following arrangement of subjects, it will be observed that some changes have been made by the Board. Dr. Duoglison, the senior member of the Faculty, retains the chair to which he was originally appointed: Dr. Huston the same. Both these gentlemen were requested, under emergencies, to assume fresh duties during the two last sessions, from which they will be relieved by the new arrangement; and Dr. Pancoast takes the chair of Anatomy—a subject which he has prosecuted long, and taught successfully.

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All these gentlemen are actively engaged in the practice of their profession; and most of them are connected with the valuable institutions for Clinical Instruction in which Philadelphia abounds. Drs. Dunglison, Huston and Pancoast are medical officers of the Pennsylvania Hospital, Blockley, at which, during the winter session, Dr. Dunglison gives clinical lectures on Medicine, and Dr. Pancoast on Surgery. Dr. Meigs is physician to the Lying-in Department of the Pennsylvania Hospital; and Dr. Mutter is surgeon to the Philadelphia Dispensary, an extensive and valuable charity.

With a faculty thus organised, and bent on harmonious and effective action, the Board of Trustees entertain no doubts as to the signal success of the Institution. They feel that it must command the confidence of the Profession, be eminently satisfactory to the numerous Alumni as ensuring the permanence and continued prosperity of an Institution, which has been in uninterrupted progress for sixteen years; and tend still more to concentrate medical education in the city of Philadelphia, which has always been the great resort of the medical students of this country.

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REGULATIONS, &c.

The regular course of lectures commences on the first Monday of November, and ends on the last day of February.

During the month of October, the anatomical rooms will be open, and the Professor of Anatomy and the Demonstrator will give their personal attendance thereto. Clinical instruction on Medicine and Surgery will likewise be given at the Dispensary of the College.

The examination of candidates for graduation, will commence on the first of March.

The candidate must be of good moral character, and at least twenty-one years of age.

He must have attended two full courses of lectures in some respectable Medical School, one of which, at the least, must have been in this College, and must exhibit his tickets, or other adequate evidence thereof to the Dean.

He must have studied medicine for not less than three years, and have attended at least one course of clinical instruction, in an institution approved by the Faculty.

He must present to the Dean of the Faculty a thesis of his own composition, correctly written, and in his own hand writing, on some medical subject, and exhibit to the Faculty, at his examination, satisfactory evidence of his professional attainments.

If, after examination for a degree, the candidate, on ballot, shall be found to have received three negative votes, he shall be entitled to a fresh examination. Should he decline this, he may withdraw his thesis, and shall not be considered as rejected.

The degree will not be conferred upon any candidate who absents himself from the public commencement, except by special permission of the Faculty.

The Faculty, desirous of encouraging deserving individuals, whose means may be insufficient, admit ten beneficiaries to the lectures. Application must be made in writing, to the Dean of the College, (postage paid).
on or before the first day of September, and satisfactory evidence be furnished of the good moral character, respectable literary attainments, and other claims of the applicant.

For this privilege the beneficiary is required to pay into the treasury, twenty dollars towards the incidental expenses of the Institution.

The Students of the College can participate in all the benefits to be derived from an attendance at the Philadelphia Hospital and the Pennsylvania Hospital, the lectures being so arranged as to admit of their visiting these establishments on appropriate days. Professor Dunglass will lecture regularly on Clinical Medicine, and Professor Pancoast on Clinical Surgery, at the Philadelphia Hospital, throughout the course. The students can also avail themselves of the advantages to be derived from the Wills’ Hospital for diseases of the Eyes, and the Philadelphia Dispensary. These admirable institutions afford extensive facilities for witnessing medical and surgical practice. At periods, too, when not otherwise engaged, the student has the advantage of attending a general Dispensary, attached to the College, at which upwards of one thousand cases have been treated in the course of the year. The patients are examined and prescribed for by the professor in attendance; detailed histories of the cases are kept, and patients are entrusted to the students, under the direction of the professor. Opportunities likewise occur for obstetrical practice.

Added to these facilities, the museum of the institution affords essential aid to the student, by its various anatomical, pathological, and obstetrical preparations and drawings, as well as by the diversified specimens of genuine and spurious articles, and plates, drawings, &c., for illustrating the Materia Medica. These, with the numerous and varied specimens, that have been added from the private collections of the members of the Faculty, render the museum and cabinets more rich and effective for the purpose of Medical Instruction than they have ever been.

FEES.

The fee for admission to each course of lectures is fifteen dollars. The matriculation fee is five dollars. The student is only required to pay this for the first session, which he attends in the College. The fee for the diploma is thirty dollars.