

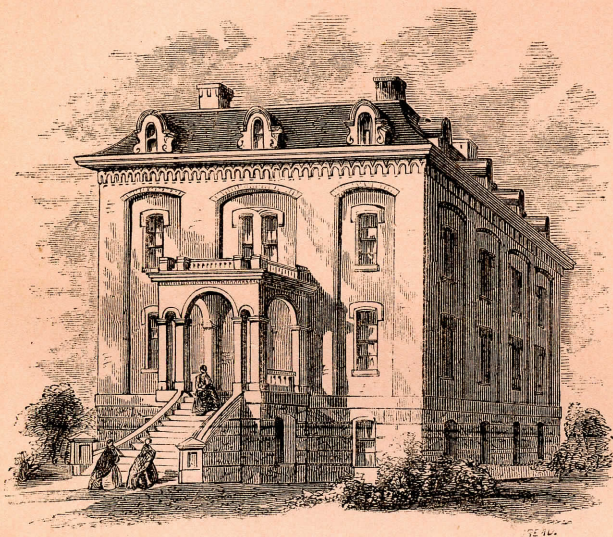
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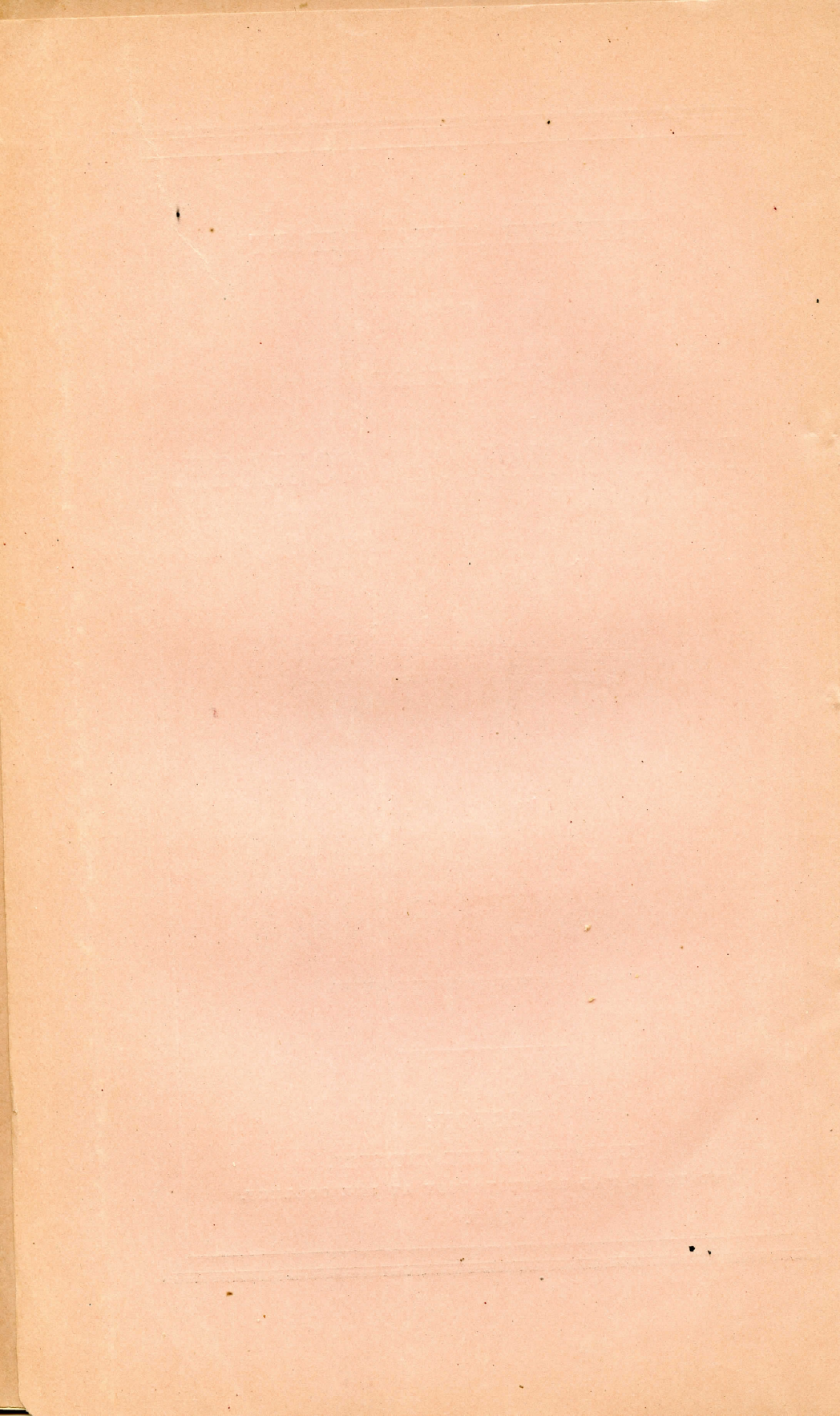
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ACTS OF INCORPORATION.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE FEMALE MEDICAL EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

SECT. 1.—Timothy Gilbert, William I. Bowditch, and Samuel Gregory, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation, by the name of the FEMALE MEDICAL EDUCATION SOCIETY, for the purpose of providing for the education of Midwives, Nurses, and Female Physicians; with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, restrictions, and liabilities, set forth in the forty-fourth and thirty-eighth chapters of the Revised Statutes.

SECT. 2.—Said corporation may hold, for the purpose aforesaid, real estate not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

House of Representatives, April 29, 1850.

Passed to be enacted.

In Senate, April 30, 1850.

Passed to be enacted.

April 30, 1850.—Approved.

ENSIGN H. KELLOGG, *Speaker.*

MARSHALL P. WILDER, *President.*
GEO. N. BRIGGS.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE FEMALE MEDICAL EDUCATION SOCIETY TO NEW-ENGLAND FEMALE MEDICAL COLLEGE, AND TO RE-ORGANIZE THE SAME.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

SECT. 1.—The name of the Female Medical Education Society shall hereafter be New-England Female Medical College.

SECT. 2.—All the government and business of said College shall be conducted by a Board of Trustees, consisting of twenty members. The present Directors—to wit, John S. Tyler, Benjamin C. Clark, Samuel E. Sewall, Adam W. Thaxter, jun., Dexter S. King, John P. Jewett, and Samuel Gregory—shall be Trustees till others are chosen in their stead.

SECT. 3.—At the first meeting of the above-named seven Trustees of said College, they shall choose thirteen persons to complete the Board of Trustees. When the number of twenty is thus completed, they shall be divided by lot into five classes of four each, whose terms of office shall successively expire in one, two, three, four, and five years; and, at the end of each year, four Trustees shall be chosen for five years, the choice to be made by the sixteen Trustees remaining in office.

SECT. 4.—The Trustees shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring from any cause in their Board; to elect a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers as they may consider necessary; to make By-laws; to appoint Professors, who shall constitute a Medical Faculty; and to confer the usual degree of Doctor of Medicine.

SECT. 5.—This act shall take effect as soon as the same shall have been accepted at a meeting of the Female Medical Education Society, called for the purpose; of which meeting notice shall be given by said Directors, by publishing a call for the meeting in not less than three of the newspapers printed in Boston, at least six days before the meeting.

House of Representatives, May 27, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

In Senate, May 27, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

May 28, 1856.—Approved.

CHARLES A. PHELPS, *Speaker.*

ELIHU C. BAKER, *President.*
HENRY J. GARDNER.

T R U S T E E S.

GEORGE FABYAN, M.D., <i>President</i>	BOSTON.
GEN. JOHN S. TYLER	"
HON. SAMUEL E. SEWALL	"
ADAM W. THAXTER, Esq. } GARDNER P. DRURY, Esq. } MICAH DYER, JUN., Esq. } JOHN J. NEWCOMB, Esq. }	} <i>Finance Committee</i> , "
DEXTER S. KING, Esq.	"
REV. JAMES FREEMAN CLARKE	"
LORENZO BURGE, Esq., <i>Treasurer</i>	"
HON. GEORGE P. SANGER	"
SAMUEL GREGORY, M.D., <i>Secretary</i>	"
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REV. EMERSON DAVIS, D.D.	WESTFIELD.
HON. JOHN BATCHELDER	LYNN.
EX-GOV. JOSEPH H. WILLIAMS	AUGUSTA, ME.
EX-GOV. MATTHEW HARVEY	CONCORD, N.H.
EX-GOV. RYLAND FLETCHER	CAVENDISH, VT.
EX-GOV. WILLIAM W. HOPPIN	PROVIDENCE, R.I.
EX-GOV. WILLIAM T. MINOR	STAMFORD, CONN.

LADY-MANAGERS.*

Mrs. FREDERIC TUDOR, <i>Pres.</i>	Miss ABBY W. MAY.
Mrs. WILLIAM V. ALDEN.	Mrs. JEROME MERRITT.
Mrs. AUSTIN W. BENTON.	Mrs. JOHN K. PALMER, <i>Sec.</i>
Mrs. GEORGE WM. BOND, <i>Treas.</i>	Mrs. REV. DR. J. W. PARKER.
Mrs. EDNAH D. CHENEY.	Miss MARY J. PARKMAN.
Mrs. REV. SAMUEL B. CRUFT.	Mrs. C. M. SEVERANCE.
Mrs. JOSEPH C. DELANO.	Mrs. SIMON G. SHIPLEY.
Mrs. FIDELIA B. DURFEE.	Mrs. ALDEN SPEARE.
Mrs. REV. DANIEL C. EDDY.	Mrs. HARRIET BEECHER STOWE.
Mrs. OTIS EVERETT.	Mrs. GEORGE S. TOLMAN.
Miss LUCY GODDARD.	Mrs. JAMES TOLMAN.
Mrs. JONATHAN A. LANE.	Mrs. JOEL W. WHITE.

* The Board has an Executive Committee of twelve, when full; one each month having charge of the internal affairs of the Clinical Department. Of this Committee, Miss GODDARD is the Presiding officer; Mrs. BOND, Treasurer; Miss MAY, Secretary.

FACULTY.

- GEORGE FABYAN, M.D., President.
ENOCH C. ROLFE, M.D. (Dean), Professor of Theory and Practice of
Medicine.
JOHN K. PALMER, M.D., Professor of Materia Medica, Therapeutics, and
Chemistry.
STEPHEN TRACY, M.D., Professor of Anatomy and Surgery.
MARIE E. ZAKRZEWSKA, M.D., Professor of Obstetrics, and Diseases
of Women and Children.
FRANCES S. COOKE, M.D., Professor of Physiology and Hygiene.
MARY R. JENKS, M.D., Demonstrator of Anatomy.
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STUDENTS.

TERM OF 1859-60.

LYDIA S. ABELL, Boston.	HANNAH C. KEEN, Medford.
HANNAH A. ARNOLD, Sheldonville.	LENORA F. LATHE, Boston.
MARY G. BAKER, Middleborough.	REBECCA LEE, Boston.
DE LAVENE BURROUGHS, Elmira, N.Y.	LOUISA F. PARKER, Boston.
MARTHA JANE FLANDERS, Concord, N.H.	ABBY S. W. PRATT, Reading.
FANNIE B. FOGG, Boston.	ANNA RUSSELL, Jamaica Plain.
SOPHIA E. GRAVES, Boston.	LUCY E. SEWALL, Melrose.
HANNAH H. HASKINS, Boston.	ELIZABETH P. SOMERBY, Chelsea.
HENRIETTA HEINSON, Boston.	ELIZA LEAVITT STONE, Greenfield.
LOUISA M. IVES, Salem.	HARRIET B. THOMPSON, Port Byron, Ill.
MERCY B. JACKSON, Plymouth.	LAMOLLE WITHERBY, Morley, N.Y.

GRADUATES.

CLASS OF 1859-60.

The Degree of M.D. was conferred upon the following-named Graduates, at the close of the last Term:—

DE LAVENE BURROUGHS	Elmira, N.Y.
HANNAH HALL HASKINS	Boston.
MERCY BISBE JACKSON	Plymouth.

COMPLETE LIST OF GRADUATES.

1854.
SOPHRONIA FLETCHER.
*LUCY A. B. HARRIS.
MARY REED JENKS.
MARTHA N. THURSTON.

1855.
ELIZABETH B. CHAMBERLIN.
HANNAH M. WALCOTT.

1856.
MARIA LOUISA COOKE.
SARAH WHITMAN SALISBURY.

1857.
MARY ELIZABETH BREED.
HARRIETTE SOPHIA BRIGHAM.
SUSAN RICHARDS CAPEN.
FRANCES SPROAT COOKE.
ESTHER HILL HAWKS.

ANNA INMAN.
ELIZABETH ANN PACKARD.

1858.
ANNA SARAH ANGELL.
EMILY NORTON BELDEN.
ELIZABETH JOSEPHINE VAILE.
SARAH ELIZABETH WARFIELD.
MARY WRIGHT.

1859.
ALMIRA FIFIELD.
MARY ANN HARRIS.
MARY ANN BROWN HOMER.
ELIZABETH TAYLOR.
SARAH ABIGAIL S. WETHERBEE.

1860.
DE LAVENE BURROUGHS.
HANNAH HALL HASKINS.
MERCY BISBE JACKSON.

THE ANNUAL TERM.

The Thirteenth Annual Term will commence on the first Wednesday in November, 1860, and continue seventeen weeks. This is the period of the year fixed for the Annual Terms.

The Introductory Lecture will be delivered at the College, on Springfield Street, at 3 o'clock, P.M., on Wednesday, Nov. 7, by Prof. Cooke.

The Graduating Exercises will take place at the College, at 3 o'clock, P.M., on the Wednesday closing the Term, March 6, 1861. Valedictory Address by Prof. Palmer.

FEES.

Fee for each of the six tickets, \$5. Matriculation fee, \$3. Graduation fee, \$10.

INSTRUCTION DURING VACATION.

Students are required to study under the direction of some respectable practitioner of medicine. They can receive instruction from any of the Professors; and can, if they desire, recite at the College Rooms, and thus have the benefit of the apparatus and library.

* Deceased.

TEXT-BOOKS.

The pupils can select from the following, preference being given to the first-named in each branch. *Anatomy*, Wilson, Horner, Quain and Sharpey. *Physiology*, Carpenter, Kirkes and Paget, Müller. *Obstetrics*, Cazeaux, Tyler Smith, Meigs. *Diseases of Women and Children*, Meigs, Churchill, Condie. *Theory and Practice*, Wood, Watson, Dunglison. *Materia Medica*, Royle, Pereira, United-States Dispensatory. *Surgery*, Druitt, Cooper, Fergusson. *Chemistry*, Stockhardt, Silliman, Turner; Christison or Taylor on Poisons. *Medical Dictionaries*, Dunglison, Hooper, Gardner.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION AND GRADUATION.

Applicants for admission must satisfy the Faculty that they are of unexceptionable moral character, and that they possess a good preparatory education. The candidates for the Degree of Doctor of Medicine must have pursued medical studies, under the direction of a respectable practitioner of Medicine, for three years, including the time of attending Medical Lectures, certificates of which studies will be required; and must have attended two full Courses of Lectures, one of which must have been in this College. The candidate must sustain a satisfactory examination in all the branches taught in the Institution; and, at the time of application for the Degree (to be made at least three weeks before the close of the term), she must present the Graduation Fee, and a Thesis, written in her own hand, on some medical subject. The Thesis must be read and defended before the Faculty, if required; and it will be retained in the archives of the Institution, or published if thought advisable. Should any candidate withdraw her application for a Degree, or be rejected at the final examination, the Thesis and Graduation Fee will be returned.

APPLICATIONS OF STUDENTS.

Persons wishing to enter the Institution as medical students, or to obtain any information respecting the course of instruction by the Faculty, should apply, personally or by letter, to the Dean, Dr. Rolfe, 563, Washington Street.

BOARD.

Board can be had in the city for \$2.50 to \$4 a week, according to accommodations. Students, who desire it, will be assisted in obtaining suitable boarding-places.

PUBLIC LECTURES TO LADIES.

Single lectures and short courses, on Anatomy, Physiology, and Health, illustrated by the large and interesting collection of anatomical apparatus, will be delivered at the College by Prof. Cooke; of which public notice will be given. Arrangements will be made for the young ladies of Female Seminaries, and the older pupils of the public schools, to attend.

Any lady, desirous of obtaining physiological, sanitary, and curative knowledge, can procure a ticket to the regular course of lectures of any one or more of the Professors, at the price paid by the students, — \$5 for each course.

NURSES.

Nurses of the sick can attend such of the lectures as will aid them in understanding their important and responsible duties; and, should there be a sufficient number to form a class, a special course will be given to them. Opportunities will also be afforded for acquiring practical knowledge in the care of patients; and instruction will be given in the sick-room. A Registry of the names of those wishing places is kept at the College. No charge is made to Nurses or to the Patrons for the benefits of the Registry.

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

The office of the Treasurer, Lorenzo Burge, Esq. (President of the Boston Mutual Fire Insurance Company), is at No. 49, Merchants' Exchange; where bills can be presented for payment, and donations to the funds of the Institution will be received.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

The office of the Secretary, Dr. Gregory, is at the College-building, Springfield Street; where he may usually be found at 9 o'clock, A.M., and 2 o'clock, P.M. He will receive applications for State Scholarships, and for aid from any beneficiary funds; and will furnish to those applying, by letter or otherwise, copies of the Annual Report, and any desired information respecting the Institution. As he acts as financial agent, subscriptions and remittances can be made to him or the Treasurer, as may be most convenient.

AGENTS.

Rev. B. B. Newton is now engaged as an agent of the College, with a view to collecting funds for general purposes, and obtaining subscriptions to aid in paying for the College-building and premises.

In this connection, the Trustees would state that they have been informed that some persons have, through mistake, supposed that they had been involved in a lawsuit with Mrs. Anna Goulding, a former agent. They therefore repeat what was substantially expressed in the Report of 1858,—that such was not the case, but that Mrs. Goulding was an agent in approved standing during her connection with the Institution.

THE COURSES OF LECTURES.

THEORY AND PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.

Prof. Rolfe will present a concise but comprehensive view of the present state of his department. The first half of the term is devoted to general principles and pathology. The remainder of the course is taken up with a description (as full as the limits will permit) of particular diseases, and the most approved modes of treatment.

TEXT-BOOKS.—Wood, Watson, Dunglison.

MATERIA MEDICA, THERAPEUTICS, AND CHEMISTRY.

Prof. Palmer will devote the first half of his course to explaining the principles of Modern Chemistry by illustrations and experiments. More particular attention will be paid to Organic Chemistry, and those branches of this science connected with Materia Medica and Pharmacy. He will occupy the remainder of the Term in giving the natural and commercial history of the most important medicinal agents, illustrating his descriptions by samples of genuine and spurious drugs, drawings, dried specimens, &c.; and will treat of their therapeutic action upon the human system.

TEXT-BOOKS.—*Materia Medica*, Royle; *Chemistry*, Stockhardt, Turner.

ANATOMY AND SURGERY.

The instruction in this department, by Prof. Tracy, will be both theoretical and practical; and the course will be illustrated by the usual facilities and by a large collection of apparatus, including manikins, models, and other preparations.

TEXT-BOOKS.—*Anatomy*, Wilson, Gray; *Surgery*, Druitt.

OBSTETRICS, AND DISEASES OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

These subjects will be fully treated by Prof. Zakrzewska; and the students will have whatever advantages the Institution may afford for observation and practice in these departments.

TEXT-BOOKS.—*Obstetrics*, Cazeaux, Tyler Smith, Meigs; *Diseases of Women and Children*, Meigs, Condie.

PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

The course of lectures on Physiology and Hygiene, by Prof. Cooke, will embrace the usual topics in this department; and will be illustrated, as far as practicable, by the apparatus of the Institution.

TEXT-BOOKS. — Carpenter, Kirkes and Paget.

CLINICAL DEPARTMENT.

The College has now a Clinical Department for the accommodation and medical treatment of lying-in and other women and children, open to students daily in term-time and through the year. This department includes a Dispensary, open daily, from 9 to 10, A.M., to women and children, who receive gratuitous advice and medicine. Graduates of the Institution can at all times have access to this department.

These facilities for instruction and practice offer advantages as ample, it is believed, as can be had at any medical institution to which females are admitted.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

Application of patients for admission to the Institution should be made to the Resident Physician, Prof. Zakrzewska, who will be in attendance daily between 9 and 10 o'clock, A.M., Sundays excepted. In *urgent* cases, application may be made at any time. The patient, if able, should in all cases apply in person. If this be impossible, application may be made in writing.

The price of board varies from \$4 to \$8 per week. A limited number of free beds are provided in the Institution for patients who are unable to pay the regular board.

Lying-in patients are admitted at \$4 per week. In special cases, patients will be admitted free of charge when labor commences, and retained in the Institution for two weeks afterward.

Patients may receive visitors every day between 3 and 4 o'clock.

No visitor will be permitted to bring any article of food or drink to the patient.

Every patient must be provided with a sufficient quantity of under-clothes.

No trunks must be brought by patients coming into the free department.

GEORGE FABYAN, M.D. *Consulting Physician.*

R E P O R T .

IN the Reports of past years, many pages have been occupied in presenting considerations in favor of the education and employment of women as physicians. That question is now too well settled to require extended argument or zealous advocacy. But still the business of conducting a Female Medical College is not like the quiet and comparatively unscrutinized work of superintending a literary institution, or establishing a hospital for the sick, a school for idiots, or a home for aged people, — objects that enlist the sympathies of all, and conflict with the interests of none. This is essentially a progressive and reformatory movement; and, as such, necessarily encounters ignorant prejudices and opposing interests, and fails of receiving the influence and pecuniary aid of those who lack the courage and independence to do what their judgment approves and their sympathies dictate.

The work accomplished from year to year in the cause of female medical education is not to be measured by what is done within the walls of the Institution, the number of students taught, of patients accommodated, or the amount of funds received, so much as by the dissemination of the principle and the growth of the idea in the public mind. For, when the public are fully enlisted, every thing else will come as a matter of course; abundant means will be furnished without solicitation; numerous students of superior abilities and attainments will present themselves; and the graduates will find extensive and lucrative employment.

One of the best evidences of the increasing demand for female physicians is the fact, that, for the want of graduates from female medical colleges, a multitude of experienced women are already employed in our cities and towns in midwifery practice. As an illustration, we may cite the following facts respecting a female practitioner in Worcester, communicated by Mr. William A. Brig-

ham, who has for several years taken the annual statistics of that city. From a careful examination of the record of her practice, he vouches for the correctness of the statements.

Mrs. Sylvia Goodwin commenced the practice of midwifery in Worcester, March 25, 1849; and during that year she attended 35 cases; in 1850, 82; in 1851, 102; in 1852, 143; in 1853, 175; in 1854, 182; in 1855, 197; in 1846, 171; in 1857, 158; in 1858; 176; in 1859, 205. Total, from March 25, 1849, to Dec. 31, 1859, 1,626. She had lost but one woman in childbirth in the whole number. Taking into view the annual number of births in Worcester for the past few years, Mrs. Goodwin has attended between one-fifth and one-fourth of the whole, although there are about thirty male physicians in the city.

Mrs. Edee Eaton, in this city, has attended over a thousand births within the past eleven years; and several others have attended some hundreds each.

In past Reports, the instruction of females in physiology and the art of preserving health has been presented and urged; and the College has been spoken of as a place where female teachers could come and learn these subjects, and how to teach them to their pupils. As has been stated, a graduate of the College, with a supply of anatomical apparatus, has been to the four State Normal Schools, and given courses of lectures on anatomy, physiology, and health, to the young ladies preparing to be teachers; thus putting the principles of sanitary science into these fountains, whence they will be diffused throughout the Commonwealth. Young ladies, too, from the Normal School in Boston, and from some of the Public Schools, have attended similar lectures at the College.

In view of the efforts that have been made to promote this object, it is gratifying to observe the increasing interest in this direction. The subject of physical culture has become a prominent feature in the deliberations of Teachers' Institutes; and the Superintendent of Public Schools in Boston has recommended that it be made a part of the training in the schools, and the School Board have appointed a Special Committee of their number to arrange a system for carrying the plan into effect. As much harm has been and is liable to be done by abrupt and violent gymnastic and calisthenic exercises unadapted to the different physical conditions of children and youth, it is very important that the female teachers who conduct these exercises should thoroughly understand the anatomy and phy-

siology of the human frame ; and in no other place can they so conveniently acquire a knowledge of these subjects as in the Female Medical College.

CLINICAL DEPARTMENT — This Department serves the double purpose of affording practical knowledge to the students, and accommodations and medical treatment for women and children, lying-in and other patients. The Lady Managers have charge of its internal affairs ; their Executive Committee being intrusted with its more immediate supervision. The following paragraphs are from the Lady Managers' Report to the Trustees, as prepared by their Secretary (Mrs. Palmer), and adopted by their Board :—

“ Agreeably to the By-laws of the New-England Female Medical College, we now present to the Trustees the first Annual Report of the Lady Managers of the Clinical Department for the year ending Sept. 4, 1860.

“ It is now one year since this branch was established in the College Building on Springfield Street, in this city. The Clinical Department is under the management of the Executive Committee of twelve, selected from the Lady Managers ; each of whom serves as a Visiting Committee, at least twice a week, for one entire month during the year, in connection with the Resident Physician.

“ Each Visitor, during the month assigned her, is to be entirely responsible, under and in co-operation with the Resident Physician, for the safe and successful conduct of this Department. She is to aid the Resident Physician in every way in her power ; become intimately acquainted with the management of the Department ; and, keeping its domestic economy carefully in view, seek also to know the patients personally, and exert a good influence over them. Should there be homeless, friendless ones among them, it is earnestly desired that each Visitor may seek to fill the place of a friend, and do all in her power to provide a suitable place for them when they leave the Institution.

“ Each Visitor is required to present a written report of the doings during her month to the Executive Committee at their meeting, at the close of her term of visiting.

“ The basement of the College Building, together with the second and third stories, are used for the Clinical Department ; and one room, on the first floor, for the office of the Resident Physician.

“ The funds for supporting this Department have been obtained by the exertions of the Lady Managers ; and as the Board has not been full until quite recently, and some of the members live at a distance, this important duty has devolved principally upon the Executive Committee.

“ By the liberality of some of the friends of the Institution, we have been enabled to furnish six rooms for patients, also a Library Room for

their use, and the office for the Resident Physician. We have six free beds, and six beds for paying patients.

“*Statistics.* — Number of patients received, 72; free, 54; incurable, 10, — but all were greatly relieved; births, 41; deaths, 4; remaining, 4.

“The patients’ Library is an interesting portion of the Institution. It contains a hundred and twenty volumes of useful books and a large number of pamphlets; also a few engravings, in addition to the fifty Bibles and twenty Testaments and Psalms acknowledged in the last Report of the Trustees. The Executive Committee have care of the Library, and appoint the Librarian.

“As our Institution becomes known, we confidently expect that the advantages we offer for the complete education of capable women as Nurses will be eagerly sought for.

“The free Dispensary for Women and Children, connected with the Institution, has not been sufficiently known to be extensively patronized. Two hundred and eleven patients have, however, been treated, and three hundred and fifty-six prescriptions furnished gratuitously.”

In previous Reports, the hope has been expressed that other New-England legislatures might make appropriations for aiding students in the College from those several States. In March last, the subject was presented to the Legislature of Maine. The Committee on Education duly considered the matter, and recommended a grant of two thousand dollars for the purpose, and accompanied their recommendation with the following statement: —

“The Committee to which was referred the petition of the New-England Female Medical College are clearly of the opinion, that the object is highly deserving of encouragement; and the increasing demand for the services of educated female physicians in cases pertaining to their own sex and to children, and the fact that many females, well adapted to this department of usefulness, have not the means to secure the requisite qualifications, are, as it appears to your Committee, sufficient reasons for granting to them, to some extent, the assistance required.”

The resolve was discussed in the House, and passed by a very large majority; but in the Senate, it being just at the close of the session, it was referred to the next Legislature. Considering the interest manifested in the popular branch, and the friendly feeling that prevailed in the Senate, there is reason to hope, that, at another time, an appropriation may be made, and of a larger amount. Other legislatures will also, it is believed, make similar provision for their students.

The bequest of thirty thousand dollars by Hon. John Wade, of Woburn, was alluded to in the last Report as being subject to a suit at law. The case was tried before Judge Bigelow last spring; and the jury promptly returned their verdict, sustaining the will in every particular. Exceptions were taken to some of the rulings of the judge; but it is generally considered that the case is virtually settled. Proceeds to the amount of about four thousand dollars have already accrued upon the twenty thousand dollars intended for a Scholarship Fund; which income will be very serviceable to the College as well as to students. This bequest of thirty thousand dollars; the Degrand Bequest of seven thousand dollars, in sure though distant prospect; the five thousand dollars paid toward the College estate; about three thousand dollars invested in apparatus and furniture; and a special donation of one thousand dollars on hand,— amount to the handsome sum of forty-six thousand dollars: a very good beginning, and one that promises well for the future prosperity of the Institution.

It was stated in the last Report that the Trustees had purchased of the city the spacious and commodious building erected for a Lying-in Hospital, on Springfield Street, with grounds to the extent of about an acre, at a very advantageous rate,— the price being but fifty thousand dollars, though the original cost of the building alone exceeded that sum; and the present value of the land alone is nearly or quite sixty thousand dollars. The terms of payment were five thousand dollars down, and five thousand dollars and interest annually thereafter. To secure the estate, it was necessary to make the contract at the time, with but a small proportion of the purchase money on hand; and, accordingly, but one payment of five thousand dollars has been made. Though there has not yet been the progress that was hoped in raising the funds needed, a special effort is now to be made to raise the sum of fifty thousand dollars within one year,— the amount required to pay the principal (forty-five thousand dollars), and the interest that will then have accumulated. It is confidently hoped, that, if twenty-five thousand dollars shall be subscribed by individuals, the Massachusetts Legislature will appropriate an equal amount, and thus the object will be accomplished; and the bequests that have already been made, and others that will doubtless be left, for the support of the Institution, will place it in an independent position.

The following is the form of a subscription-paper to be used. It was headed by a friend with a thousand dollars at the time of its date.

NEW-ENGLAND FEMALE MEDICAL COLLEGE.

A \$50,000 FUND.

We, the undersigned, agree to pay to the NEW-ENGLAND FEMALE MEDICAL COLLEGE the sums affixed to our names, to aid in paying for the College Building and land on Springfield Street, Boston, whenever, and on condition that, the full sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars shall have been secured for the purpose by responsible subscriptions or legislative appropriations; it being expressly understood that no subscription is to be called for until the entire amount shall have been obtained: and one year is allowed for this purpose; after which time this paper is to be null and void, if the amount be not so obtained.

Boston, Aug. 27, 1860.

The Trustees return their grateful acknowledgments to the following-named donors of books and other articles to the Institution:—

MOSES GRANT, Boston. — Use and Abuse of Alcoholic Liquors, by Dr. Carpenter.

Mrs. EDNAH D. CHENEY, Boston. — Comparative Anatomy, by Siebold and Stannius.

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SAMUEL GREGORY,
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Boston, Oct. 3, 1860.

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