

Dr. Billings was the author of many works on vital and social statistics, on bibliography and on hygiene. Honorary degrees were conferred on him by Edinburgh, Oxford, Dublin, Munich, Harvard, Yale, and other universities. His two strong qualities were a capacity for work and for organization. He worked easily, without fuss or effort, but incessantly. He had an equable temperament and took the accidents and worries of life in a philosophic spirit. Of late years he was often in the hands of surgeons, on several occasions for very serious operations, which he bore with his characteristic equanimity. He leaves a son, Dr. John S. Billings, whose work in connection with the Public Health Department of the City of New York is well known; one of his daughters married Dr. W. W. Ord, of Salisbury. — *Sir W. Osler in British Medical Journal.*

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#### EGERTON HART.

Word has been received that Dr. Egerton Hart has died in China of typhoid fever. He was physician to the Royal Family. He went to China twenty years ago from Toronto.

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#### JAMES BARCLAY.

Dr. Barclay died at Cowansville, Que., 24th February, in his 39th year. He was a graduate of McGill in 1897. He held a number of important offices, such as demonstrator of obstetrics in McGill, and medical officer of immigration at Montreal. He is survived by his widow.

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#### G. A. PETTIGREW.

Dr. Pettigrew, of Peterborough, died 4th March at the age of 68. He had long been a resident of that city.

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### BOOK REVIEWS

Transactions of the American Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons. Twenty-sixth Annual Meeting held at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, June 7th and 8th, 1912, Vol. vii. Published for the Association by Frederick H. Hitchcock, 105 West Fortieth Street, New York.

The present volume is full of good articles, dealing with genito-urinary surgery. Those who contributed papers to the meeting of 1912 are among the best known of America's surgeons, and what they have to say carries weight. There is scarcely a phase of this department of