

Review of Happenings in the Medical World.

Noted Surgeon was Born in Galt

Cable despatches announce the death in England of Dr. Alexander Bryson Osborne, of Hamilton, a native of Galt. The deceased was the son of the late William and Mrs. Osborne, of Galt of the early days, his birth occurring in the house on Cedar street, long known as the home of Mrs. J. W. Sheldon. He was educated at Dr. Tassie's.

Dr. Osborne was graduated from McGill University in 1885, and served as a resident physician at the Hamilton City Hospital until February, 1887. He then went abroad, and pursued further study in Edinburgh and London. Returning to Canada, he commenced practicing in Hamilton as the first eye, ear, nose and throat specialist in that city. He was subsequently appointed to the staff of the City Hospital.

When the South African war broke out Dr. Osborne offered his services. He was attached to an English regiment of mounted rifles and served as a surgeon. He saw much active service in that war and was afflicted with typhoid fever, which was epidemic among British troops. Dr. Osborne returned to Hamilton when the war was over and resumed his practice. About 1912 he suffered a severe illness as a result of blood-poisoning.

In 1914, when the great war broke out, Dr. Osborne again volunteered his services. He went overseas early in the struggle and

served with distinction at a large hospital at Taplow, England, and also at an eye hospital at Folkestone. After the armistice was signed he came back to Hamilton.

The deceased was all, it is claimed by eminent Canadians, that a surgeon should be. He was the cleverest eye surgeon in Canada. Many honors came to him through the Ontario Medical Association, the British Medical Society, and the Ophthalmological Society of England, to be identified with the latter being a distinguished honor for any surgeon.

It will be remembered that his wife was on the Lusitania when it was exploded by a submarine. She had a most miraculous escape, Mrs. Osborne having been drawn into one of the great funnels by the strong vortex, a subsequent explosion hurling her to the surface again, admitting of her rescue.

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