

Obituaries.

GEORGE PHILIP DEGRASSI, M.D.

It is with much personal and general regret that we are called upon to chronicle the death of our old friend and fellow-labourer, George Philip DeGrassi, at the early age of thirty-nine. The cause of death was cerebral meningitis, perhaps consequent upon old middle ear disease. Dr. DeGrassi was the son of the late Alfio DeGrassi, a well-known resident of this city for many years, and grandson of the late Captain DeGrassi, who served in the Peninsula under Napoleon Buonaparte, and subsequently held a commission in the British service. To the British throne he and his descendants have ever been the most loyal of subjects. Dr. DeGrassi received the Baccalaureate, in Medicine, of the University of Toronto in 1862—securing the gold medal in the face of the keenest competition. After graduation he began practice in the village of Newbury, where he remained until the outbreak of the civil war in the neighbouring Republic, when he joined the army of the North. On his return to Canada, he settled in Toronto, where he resided and practised up to the time of his death. An active politician and a whole-souled Conservative, his absence from the election contests of the future will be greatly felt; a man of large proportions and handsome countenance, his familiar face will be much missed on his accustomed rounds; and at the sick-bed, those only who had personal experience of his kindness of heart and gentleness of manner will fully appreciate their loss.

We regret to announce the death, on the 21st of April, of Prof. Ludwig Waldenburg, of the University of Berlin. Dr. Waldenburg was Physician to the Charité Hospital, and Editor of the *Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift*. He had devoted much attention to respiratory affections, was the author of a treatise on the subject, and inventor of an apparatus for the inspiration of compressed air.

Dr. J. P. Nash, Mayor of Picton, died May 14th, at the age of 42.

Dr. Charles V. Berryman, at one time one of our most prominent and active practitioners in Toronto, died on the 2nd of May, at the age of 51. He graduated in medicine in the University of Victoria College, in 1857, and received the degree of M.A. from the same institution in 1861. He was lecturer on *Materia Medica* and Therapeutics for some years in Victoria Medical School, member of the Ontario Medical Council, from 1866 to 1880, and a Physician to Toronto General Hospital for many years. He also took an active interest in municipal matters in Yorkville, and held different positions in the Town Council.

Among the victims of the boating disaster at London, Ont., on the Queen's Birthday, was Oronhyatekha, aged 10, son of Dr. Oronhyatekha.

Dr. P. H. Bryce has returned from Europe and commenced practising in Guelph. Dr. Jno. Ferguson has also returned, and intends to settle in Toronto.

PERSONAL.—Dr. Reeve, of Toronto, sailed for England by the *Parisian* on the 21st of May. He expects to be away three months. Dr. Johnson, of Yorkville, has also gone for a trip to Europe.

Regarding compression of the ovaries in producing hystero-epilepsy, as discovered by Charcot, it is acutely observed by Kussmaul that if you take a man and squeeze his testicle hard enough you can make him have a spasm.

APPOINTMENTS.

Dr. J. W. Leslie, to be Assistant Surgeon "Queen's Own," Toronto; *vice*, Dr. Bethune, resigned.

Dr. H. E. Vaux, Assistant Surgeon, to be Surgeon "Brockville" Battalion of Infantry; *vice*, Dr. Wm. Mostyn, deceased.

Dr. H. A. Higginson, to be Assistant Surgeon, "Prescott" Battalion of Infantry; *vice*, Dr. Ewing, promoted.