

red colour becomes darker and darker, and deeper in hue, till it is finally converted into a bluish-red, the whole limb being, from its tip to the ligature which encircles it, of a uniform colour, except that at the region immediately round the ligature itself there is to be seen a narrow ring, which is not bluish-red, but white."

DEATH OF DR. JOHN DICKSON.

It is with regret and deep sympathy for the friends that we announce the death, by cholera, of Dr. John Dickson, son of Dr. J. R. Dickson, of Kingston, C. W. This promising young man studied for one or two years at McGill University, after which he graduated at the University of Queen's College, Kingston, from thence he proceeded to London, England, where he pursued his studies, and subsequently received an appointment, after an excellent competitive examination, as Staff Assistant Surgeon. We copy the following extract from the *Broad Arrow* of September 14, 1872:

"While on duty at Allahabad, India, Staff Assistant Surgeon Dr. Dickson was attacked, on the 11th ult., and for some hours was doing well, but a relapse set in and he expired on the morning of 13th, and was buried the same evening.

"The funeral was attended by all the officers of the station; the band of the Second Battalion, Nineteenth Regiment, and a firing party of the same regiment attending.

"General regret is felt at his untimely end, as he was a favourite with all who knew him, skilled in his profession, amiable in his manner, and a perfect gentleman. He is really a loss to the service and the department he belonged to."

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VENTILATION OF LAW COURTS.

The following appears so appropriate to our own ill-ventilated court rooms that we copy it from the *Lancet* of October 12:

"The death of Justice Willes by his own hand is generally, and we think truly, regarded as the result of mental aberration consequent upon physical disease incurred, or at least intensified, by secondary causes. Among these the bad ventilation of the law courts in which he spent so much of his intellectual activity is undoubtedly one. Why it is that these places of resort should, as