

Council C.P.S.O., in 1871; of the Ontario Medical Association in 1882, and was a member of the Provincial Board of Health from its inception until a year before his death, and was its second Chairman. He was for many years Professor of Hygiene in Trinity Medical College.

Having commenced practice in Canada at the age of 23, Dr. Covernton lived to see many interesting changes and episodes. During the stirring times of 1837 he was for a short time a surgeon in the militia. We have heard him laughingly tell the story of how he unwittingly aided in the escape of Dr. John Rolph; though we believe he did not subsequently regret the incident. It was done in all innocence; he was attending Dr. Rolph's sister, Mrs. Salmon, and at the suggestion of Mr. Salmon, he wrote a letter to Dr. Rolph summoning him to his sister's bedside. Coming from an undoubtedly loyal source, this letter served as a passport through the loyalist lines.

Dr. Covernton and his professional brethren had the mutual satisfaction of his representing them on many occasions during the last decades of his life; on one of these he had the gratification of being one of the forty-five members of the International Congress of Hygiene, presented by our now King to our late beloved Queen. Dr. Covernton was a type of the fine old English gentleman, and generally beloved and respected by the profession. Early in life he married a Dublin lady resident in the County of Norfolk, Frances Elizabeth Williams, whose death we had to deplore some years ago. Of a family of nine there remain to mourn his loss two daughters—Miss Alice Covernton and Mrs. Christopher Baines, of Toronto, and Mr. Carlton Covernton, of Montreal. To them we offer our heartfelt sympathy.

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It is with very deep regret that we announce the death of our friend, Dr. Thomas H. Little.

It always seems specially sad to see an active member of the profession cut down in the midst of his work. The medical profession has supplied its full quota of those who die in the discharge of their duty. The dangers that beset the medical man are neither few nor trifling. He is exposed to all sorts of weather, and at the most untimely hours. He is ever encountering the most virulent forms of infectious and septic poisons, the inception of which into his system may rapidly prove fatal. So it was with Dr. Little. In his professional capacity his advice was sought. The case proved to be smallpox; he contracted it from his patient, and became a victim to a very