

Obituary.

DR. MARY PUTNAM JACOBI

Dr. Mary Putnam Jacobi, of New York, a distinguished woman and physician, the daughter of George P. Putnam (founder of the great publishing house still bearing his name), and the wife of Dr. Abraham Jacobi, died on Sunday morning, June 10th, at her home, No. 19 East 47th Street, New York City. A great change has come over the medical world since she graduated in 1864 at the Woman's Medical College in Philadelphia. Had she not chosen a medical career (to the surprise of her father and friends) she would still, doubtless, have had a literary career. She had an article accepted by *The Atlantic Monthly* when she was sixteen years old, a distinction that falls to few, and she was the author of several books. She was born in London, England, in 1842, came to New York with her family in 1847, began the study of medicine when she was twenty years of age, and after graduation held a resident appointment in the New England Hospital for Women and Children, Boston., 1866-1871. She was the first woman to be admitted to the Ecole de Médecine in Paris, and also the first woman admitted as a Fellow to the New York Academy of Medicine. She was married in 1873. Dr. Mary Jacobi took a great interest in public affairs, and carried on a large hospital and private practice, devoting much attention to children's diseases and nervous diseases.

DR. J. W. DIGBY.

The death occurred very suddenly, on May 29th, of Dr. J. W. Digby, the most prominent physician in Brantford, and one of the best known residents of western Ontario. Deceased was born in Brantford in 1842. He was educated at Dr. Tassie's School in Galt, matriculated at Toronto University and graduated at McGill in 1862.

During the American rebellion he received the appointment of acting assistant surgeon, and was stationed at the hospital at Point Lookout, Md. After the Battle of Stone River, he participated in the campaign through the western State as hospital surgeon until the Battle of Chickamauga, when he was stationed in the field hospital at Chattanooga in charge of several wards. Later he received the appointment of regimental surgeon of the 16th U.S. Infantry, and with that regiment took part in the campaign through the South. He returned to Brantford in 1866. Dr. Digby was President of the Royal Loan Company of that city, Vice-President of the Farmers' Binder Twine, Vice-President of the hospital, a director of the Toronto General Trusts, surgeon of the G.T.R. He was three times mayor of that city and had held nearly every position in the gift of the citizens.