

should have been assured. As one of St. John's practitioners, in its first half century, Mrs. Alexander has a place. At the fire of 1839, Holdsworth and Daniel occupied one of the stores; the upper part of the building was kept as a first-class boarding house. After the fire, the lot with an entrance from Chipman's Hill, was purchased by the proprietors of the London House from Mrs. Stenning, for \$16,000. When coming down the river on the ice, in a winter stage, Hewitt, driver, near Millidgeville, on the Kennebecasis, the horses and stage broke through. One of the passengers was Mrs. Stenning, and being stout in person and aged, she was unable to get out, and consequently was drowned. Her nephew, Dr. George Harding, was a graduate of a Scotch University, who married before his return to St. John. Shortly after his arrival in 1830, he was appointed to the charge of the quarantine, with residence in the summer months on Partridge Island; in the winter his home was in Carleton. In 1831 the cholera was at St. John, causing 47 deaths. In 1847, the year of the Irish famine, there were large arrivals at St. John, bringing with them ship fever from which many died. This year Dr. Collins, a young physician, went to the island to assist Dr. Harding, who was aided by Dr. William S. Harding: he was taken down with the fever and died. His funeral was attended by an immense concourse of people. Dr. Harding, Dr. John Paddock and Dr. William Bayard also took the fever, and the life of the latter for a time hung in the balance. An emigrant's hospital, which stood alongside the Alms House at Courtenay Bay, was much used at this time. Many who died were buried just across the road. Dr. Harding died at Carleton, May, 1874, in his 64th year, having been health officer at the Island over 40 years.

DR. WILLIAM LIVINGSTON.

This physician cast in his lot as a citizen in 1830, and like the Messrs. Boyd, Boyle, Walker and Cooke, was a native of Scotland. He opened a business establishment known as the "Apothecary Hall," under the Courier Office, adjoining Market Square. The two names best known connected with this institution are those of John G. Sharp and R. D. McArthur,* the latter now (1885) proprietor. In his profession, Dr. Livingston early took high rank. He found relief from practice in writing for the press. Politicians of forty years ago felt the point of his pen. It was a sharp one. While a dangerous foe

* Mr. McArthur is since deceased.