

scientious teacher. He held this position, as also that of Registrar, until failing health compelled him to resign. Fifteen years ago he had a severe attack of hemoptysis, which compelled him to leave for southern Colorado, where he remained during one winter. He derived much benefit from his sojourn there, and returned in the spring. He immediately plunged into work again, and was soon busily occupied with one of the largest obstetric practices in the city. He was never free, however, from a slight cough, which he always said was due to his throat, and laughed at his friends, who warned him of over-fatigue and of the possible cause of his disease. He has often said his friends were wrong, and that he would outlive some of them. During the last six years he had several severe attacks of pleurisy, from each of which he took some time to recover. One year ago he decided to return to Colorado, where he remained three months, returning not at all benefited from his trip. He still, notwithstanding the remonstrances of his friends, kept to his work, and literally died in harness.

Dr. Kennedy was also one of the founders of the Western Hospital, and the success of that institution is largely due to his management in its early years. Although not a brilliant man, he was essentially an honest and thoroughly practical physician, and his opinion and assistance in obstetric cases were frequently sought by his brother practitioners.

Medical Items.

—Koenitz looks upon the presence of peptones in the urine of pregnant women as an almost certain sign of the death and maceration of the foetus.

—Dr. Poore, in a lecture recently published in the *Lancet*, advances the opinion that it is not unlikely that all cases of acute yellow atrophy of the liver are due to phosphorus poisoning. Since the recognition of the marked changes occurring in the liver from taking phosphorus in over-doses, the cases of so-called acute yellow atrophy reported have been very few. If there is a true idiopathic acute yellow atrophy it is clinically indistinguishable from phosphorus poisoning.