

In the year 1841 he removed with his family to the town of Three Rivers, where he soon got into a large and lucrative practice. It was while an honored resident of that town that Dr. David was several times requested to run for the constituency, but invariably declined the proffered honor, preferring to adhere to his chosen profession than to enter the political arena. In 1844 he returned to Montreal, and recommenced practice, which he continued up till two years ago, when his illness compelled him to give it up.

In 1852, in conjunction with the late Drs. R. L. Macdonnell, F. C. T. Arnold, and Drs. G. E. Fenwick and R. P. Howard, he assisted in organizing the St. Lawrence School of Medicine, and acted as its Secretary. This school only delivered one course of lectures, when some seventeen students attended. It was closed simply because, being a school, its students could not receive a degree, and would have had to go elsewhere for that honor, while those who might have been satisfied with a simple license to practice medicine would have had to present themselves for examination before the College of Physicians and Surgeons, on which Board their opponents held powerful sway.

In the same year (1852), in conjunction with the late Dr. R. L. Macdonnell, he started and edited *The Canada Medical Journal*, which, for want of support, was discontinued after one volume had appeared. During the building of the Victoria Bridge Dr. David was one of the physicians to the contractors; he was, from 1847 to its being done away with by Government, Secretary to the Central Board of Health, and a physician from May, 1849, to December, 1851, to the Montreal General Hospital; and from December, same year (1851), until it was merged into the present Hotel Dieu Hospital, physician and clinical lecturer in medicine to the St. Patrick's Hospital. In 1870 he, with the late respected Dr. Smallwood and Drs. Hingston, F. W. Campbell, Trenholme, Leprohon, Godfrey, Kennedy, Gardner and Kollmyer, started a new school of medicine, which became the present flourishing Medical Faculty of Bishop's College. He became Dean in 1870, and from the first session filled the chair of Theory and Practice of Medicine, which post he retained up to two years ago, when he was elected Emeritus Professor. In 1871 he received the degrees of M.D. (*ad eundem*) and D.C.L. *honoris causa* from his University, and in 1881 the Faculty of which he was the head founded in his honor the "David

Scholarship," which is given "to the student who obtains the highest number of marks in the primary examinations, and consists of one full course of the final branches delivered at the college," thereby perpetuating his name with the college he worked so hard for in his later years.

Dr. David was one of the original members of the Canadian Medical Association, and in 1869 was elected its General Secretary. He filled the duties of that office till 1881, when failing health compelled him to resign. His urbanity and general business knowledge were of great use to the Association, and there were but few who did not miss his amiable face, when in 1881 the Association met for the first time without him. Years ago he was a Governor and Secretary of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and since 1878 he was one of the representatives on this Board from his own Faculty.

In 1867 he joined the 6th Battalion of active militia in this city—now that splendid corps the 6th Fusiliers—as surgeon, which post he resigned in July, 1878. During his tenure of this post he served on the frontier during the Fenian Raid of 1870, and was principal medical officer of the Brigade during the march from St. Johns to Pigeon Hill and return, on 26th May, in that year, and during the time it did duty at St. Johns. Again, in 1871, he held the same position whilst with his regiment at Laprairie Camp, and in 1872, at the camp at St. Andrew's. He also served with his regiment in this city at various times in aid of civil power, notably the burial of Guibord, and the Orange troubles at the time of Hackett's death and resigning his rank of surgeon he was granted the honorary rank of lieutenant-colonel in the militia for long and faithful services of forty-six years.

Dr. David contributed at various times to the Medical Journals of this city, and his articles were thoughtful compositions, for he was an earnest student of his profession. Our October number contained his last contribution, and as a record of past events, which no other pen could give, it is very valuable. Written during a period of much suffering, its preparation during his last moments was but another illustration of that indomitable pluck which was so characteristic of the man.

Dr. David had been President of the Natural History Society of this city, besides holding other offices in the same Society, and at the time of his death was a life member thereof, elected September,