

Mahomed, all men of mark, all in their prime, and in the very thick of professional life, followed each other very rapidly to the grave. The last English mail brings news of the death of another assistant physician of Guy's, Dr. Leonard Charles Wooldridge. The nature of the fatal illness seems to have been obscure. The onset was acute and death unexpectedly sudden. The autopsy showed congestion and ecchymosis of the stomach and duodenum, with follicular ulceration of the colon. There was slight but undoubted dilatation of both ventricles of the heart. It would appear that the morbid state of the stomach and colon produced in his exhausted condition a cardiac dilatation, which proved fatal from syncope. Dr. Wooldridge was the son-in-law of Sir Edward Sieveking.

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### Medical Items.

—THE following is the list of officers of the Ontario Medical Council for the current year: President, Dr. Cranston, Arnprior; vice-president, Dr. Crawford; treasurer, Dr. W. T. Aikins; solicitor, B. B. Osler; registrar, R. A. Pyno.

—We beg to draw attention to Dr. Holford Walker's change of advertisement in this issue, announcing that his new hospital in Toronto is now open for the reception of patients. The doctor has taken a wise course to confine himself to the speciality of Diseases of Women and Abdominal Surgery, and as such is the pioneer specialist in that department of the profession in Toronto or in fact in Ontario. We understand his Hospital is a model one in every respect, and worthy of the support of the profession throughout Ontario.

TREATMENT FOR CATARRHAL AFFECTIONS OF THE THROAT.—Dr. G. B. Hope of New York, attending surgeon Metropolitan Throat Hospital, and Professor Diseases of the Throat, University of Vermont, says: "For a long time I have been employing Horsford's Acid Phosphate as a constitutional treatment for catarrhal affections of the throat. I consider it to be among the very best tonic excitants of the vocal organs, and particularly applicable in relieving the fatigue and huskiness of voice incident to those who pursue a professional career of actor or vocalist, and far preferable to the various forms of wines now so generally recommended for this purpose. I have seen no other allusion to its employment in this direction, which I believe you are perfectly safe in recommending both from a theoretical and practical point of view.