

The death is announced at Guelph on the 18th July, of Dr. E. H. Wells. He died after a two day's illness of pneumonia.

Dr. E. C. P. Chevrefils, inspector of prisons, asylums and public offices for the province of Quebec, died in Montreal on the 23rd of August, in his 68th year.

Dr. Charles Mickle, of Buffalo, died in Ashville on the 21st July. His native place was Guelph and he was buried in Toronto. Dr. Mickle was a graduate of Trinity University in 1880.

Dr. W. J. Nelson, of Winnipeg, died on the 16th July, after a long illness and operation. The cause of death was pneumonia following the impaction of a piece of chewing gum in the bronchi. Dr. Neilson was the member for North Winnipeg in the Legislature and a graduate of McGill University.

Dr. Donald Maclean died in Detroit of gastro-enteritis on the 24th July. Dr. Maclean was a Canadian, a graduate of Edinburgh and practised in Kingston, Ont., up to 1870. He was a surgeon in the United States Army, professor of surgery in the University of Michigan, chief surgeon of the Michigan Central Railway, and in 1894 president of the American Medical Association.

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## Retrospect of Current Literature.

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### MEDICINE.

UNDER THE CHARGE OF JAMES STEWART, F. G. FINLEY AND H. A. LAFLEUR.

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#### Stokes-Adams Disease.

WILLIAM OSLER. "On the so-called Stokes-Adams disease. *The Lancet*, August 22, 1903.

The brief notice which many of the rarer yet very important syndromes or symptoms-complex, command in our text-books, can scarcely avail to give the student an adequate idea of the application of such terms as Stokes-Adams disease, Banti's disease, and Von Recklinghausen's disease. One must turn to such comprehensive articles as appear from time to time written by leading clinicians and including quotations from many observers, if one would acquire an up-to-date knowledge of any of these rarer forms of disease. Professor Osler has contributed largely to the knowledge of many of the more obscure conditions with which one is liable at any time to meet. This article now under review is another of those comprehensive yet succinct descriptions of the conditions included under the term "Stokes-Adams dis-