

probable that the cause of his condition was acute septicæmia. He died December 4, aged 34, and had been in practice exactly two years. He was a nephew of Drs. C. J. and A. O. Hastings, of Toronto. •

ROBERT JAMES WOOD, M.D., C.M., L.K. & Q. COLL. PHYS. IRELAND.—Dr. R. J. Wood, of Vancouver, died after a short illness of pneumonia, December 1, 1896, aged 32. He received his medical education in the Toronto School of Medicine, and received the degree of M.D. from Victoria University in 1886. In the same year he went to Great Britain and became a licentiate of the King's and Queen's College of Physicians, Ireland. He commenced practice in Streetsville in 1887, and remained there until 1894, when he went to the Pacific coast and located in Vancouver, B.C. A widow and one child survive. His sad death caused a great shock to his many friends, who were all fond of "Bob" Wood. Although he had been in British Columbia only two years he had already acquired a large lucrative practice, when death suddenly seized him in the midst of his well-earned and well-deserved prosperity.

DR. GEORGE HARLEY.—Dr. George Harley, F.R.S., aged sixty-seven years, died suddenly on Tuesday from rupture of a coronary artery. His remains are to be cremated this afternoon. I knew him for many years, a genial and cheerful companion whose intense interest in the scientific aspect of medicine never abated. You will remember his researches on the urine and on the liver, and important as these were he made many others of equal value. He was a very highly trained scientist. After graduation at Edinburgh he spent two years in Paris under Magendie and Claude Bernard. Then he took two years in Germany, working under Scherer, Kolliker, Virchow, and others. On returning he was appointed to the chair of histology and practical physiology at University College and physician to the hospital. Soon for his elaborate researches, among which those on the chemistry of respiration had great influence, he obtained the scientific blue ribbon, F.R.S. He naturally became a fellow of both the Edinburgh and London Colleges of Physicians. He had to fight against ill-health for a long time, and he did it with a courage deserving of admiration and sympathy. I remember his attack of glaucoma, from which, on account of the state of the other eye, extirpation was advised; but he retired to a darkened room for several months to try what rest would do and recovered sight in both eyes. He recorded a number of observations he made on his vision as he recovered. He was always ready to experiment on himself, and on more than one occasion he ran considerable risk from doing so. A careful, exact experimenter and fluent lecturer, his pupils had the greatest respect for his work, and many will mourn the loss of an ardent devotee of scientific medicine and a cheerful, skilful, and learned physician.—*London Correspondent of Medical Record.*