

days, he spent his summer vacations in the office of his brother-in-law, Dr. H. W. Day, who at that time practiced in Trenton. After graduating, Dr. Purdy practiced for a short time in the village of Hastings, in East Northumberland. From Hastings he went to Chicago, where he went into general practice. Very soon after settling in the Windy City, he entered upon the chief work of his life—the study of diseases of the kidneys. After studying for some years, he went to Great Britain and the Continent, where he continued work in his chosen specialty. He published a number of books on diseases of the kidneys, and for many years before his death was generally recognized as the first man in his own department on this continent. On account of his eminence as an author and practitioner, his *alma mater*, Queen's University, honored him by granting him the degree of LL.D. Dr. Purdy had many personal friends in Canada, especially in the Bay of Quinté district, where he was born and educated. His *confrères* in this country who knew him from boyhood until the time of his last illness, watched his career with great interest, and rejoiced in the marked success which attended his untiring efforts. This success was not so much due to anything like brilliant genius as to persistent and continuous hard work. The news of his death came as a sad surprise to the majority of his Canadian friends, who had not previously heard of his illness.

Personals.

Dr. T. Bruce Hewson (Trin. '99) has commenced practice in Colborne.

Dr. W. B. Thistle spent the holidays with his parents in Downie.

Dr. Herriman, formerly of the Hamilton Asylum, is now at Kingston.

Dr. William Osler, of Baltimore, paid a flying visit to Toronto on January 20th.

Dr. Graham, of Clinton, spent a few days in Toronto in the latter part of January.

Dr. Rennie is acting Medical Health Officer in Hamilton in place of Dr. Ryall, deceased.

Dr. Emily Stowe and her daughter, Dr. Augusta Stowe-Gullen, left Toronto January 24th for Florida, where they will spend the rest of the winter.