

Obituary.

WILLIAM WELLS, M.B.

We have to announce with deep regret the death of one of our most promising young graduates, Dr. W. Wells, which occurred at Ailsa Craig, August 23rd, 1899. He was a son of Rev. Mr. Wells, Holland, Manitoba. He graduated from the University of Toronto last spring with high honors, being the gold medallist. He also held the Reeve Scholarship. A few weeks ago he was appointed house surgeon to St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto. He went to Ailsa Craig for a well-earned holiday, and while there contracted typhoid fever, complicated with pneumonia. He was generally recognized both by members of the Faculty and fellow-students as one of the University's most worthy and gifted students. His death has caused the deepest grief among his many friends.

THOMAS BENJAMIN DACK, B.A., M.D.

Dr. Thos. B. Dack, one of the best known physicians of the County of Simcoe, died at his home in Creemore, July 14th, 1899. He had a slight attack of paralysis last February, from the effect of which he never fully recovered, although he improved so much that he was able to attend to his practice for a time. About the end of June he was compelled to give up work on account of severe nervous prostration. From July 1st he failed somewhat rapidly, although there were no urgent symptoms indicating any serious organic lesions.

Dr. Dack was born in Ireland, and came to Canada when a boy. He took both an Arts and a Medical course in the University of Toronto, receiving B.A. in 1849, and M.B. in 1863. He had seen much of the world, and had a variety of experiences in the gold fields of Australia, among the Maori of New Zealand, in Brazil, and in an ocean steamer after graduating in medicine. After he grew tired of travelling he commenced practice in Toronto, where he remained for only a short time. He then went to Creemore, where he lived about thirty-five years. His practice was large, and he was highly respected. He took considerable interest in politics, and was a member of the Municipal Council for several years. He came from Cromwellian stock, and was a life-long Liberal. He was an Irish gentleman of the good old sort, a genial companion, a generous host, a charming man in all respects, and an excellent physician.