

filling the President's chair in 1892, with great acceptance and satisfaction to his fellow associates.

"He was prevailed on in 1893 to accept the position of Registrar, which he continued to hold until his death a few weeks ago, a position for which he was admirably fitted, and filled for so many years to the entire satisfaction of the Council, and, we believe, with equal acceptance to the whole profession.

"His services as an advisor to the Council were invaluable, and his judgment in matters under discussion was always received with the greatest consideration and weight. He was so constituted as to permit him to appreciate every side of a question, divest himself of prejudice, and arrive at a judicial conclusion, and withal, was so considerate, generous, and indulgent in entertaining the opinions of those differing from him, that he won his way deeply into our affections and confidence.

"We feel that we cannot speak too highly of the qualities of head and heart of our late lamented colleague, and of how deeply we regret his early demise, in the prime of life and of his greatest usefulness.

"We extend to you our deepest sympathy, and we grieve with you for the loss of a faithful and loving husband and companion, and with your children in their loss of a devoted father."

THE HEALTH OF THE KING.

We have every ground for stating that the recent rumors concerning the health of His Majesty the King are entirely without truth or foundation. He is in good health, and has undergone no operation whatever. Some of our readers may have seen statements in certain newspapers so detailed in character as almost to preclude their resting entirely upon journalistic imagination. We are glad to be able to assure them that they need give no credence whatever to the sinister but, happily, untrue stories, the publication of which cannot be too strongly deprecated, since they cause needless and poignant anxiety to the country at large.--(Annotation) *The Lancet*, November 2nd, 1901.

QUERY DEPARTMENT.

We have determined to open a "Query Department," and will try, to the best of our ability, to answer as fully as possible any requests for information from our readers which may be sent the editors, in regard to diagnosis, treatment, or other matter bearing upon the practice of medicine or surgery. We will make his department not only a source of strength to this JOURNAL, but also, we hope, one which will prove of value to our subscribers.