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#### PERSONAL.

We chronicle with very deep regret the very serious illness of Dr. Kennedy, one of our assistant editors, and Professor of Midwifery in Bishop's College. Just about a year ago, he was laid up for some time with pleura-pneumonia of the right side. The same disease has again attacked the left side. He is attended by his colleagues, Drs. Campbell, Perrigo and Cameron, and his friend, Dr. Howard, has seen him in consultation. As we go to press there are signs of improvement, and we hope they will be permanent.

Dr. J. A. Grant, of Ottawa, who, during the entire period of the sojourn of the Marquis of Lorne and Princess Louise, in Ottawa, filled the position of Vice-Regal Medical attendant (as he has done during several previous terms), was, just prior to their departure, the recipient of elegant mementoes from Her Royal Highness' own hand. That presented to Dr. Grant was an elegant dispatch box, while Mrs. Grant received a handsome candelabra. This was but the just recognition of very valuable services rendered. Dr. Grant has filled this honorable position for many years, in a manner worthy of the extended reputation which he bears, and we learn with pleasure that he is still to continue to occupy it.

Dr. McCrimmon (M.D., McGill), Lucknow, Ont., left for Edinburgh on the 24th inst. He intends being absent a year, and will visit in addition to the Scottish capital, London, Paris and Vienna.

Dr. Robert H. Wilson (C.M., M.D., Bishop's, 1880) has, at the request of a large number of the residents, commenced practice at Hemmingford, P.Q.

Dr. James Ogilvie, of Jamaica, W. I., has been paying Montreal quite an extended visit.

Dr. Merrill has been appointed a physician to the Hotel Dieu Hospital, Montreal.

Dr. Wm. Stephen (M.D., McGill, 1880), Montreal, has gone to Europe.

Dr. Hudon, of Riviere du Loup (en bas), was in Montreal the end of September.

Dr. Oliver, late 60th Rifles and then Brigade Surgeon, has retired from the service and settled in Toronto.

Dr. R. P. Howard (Dean) and Dr. Osler represented McGill Faculty of Medicine, and Dr. F. W. Campbell (Dean) represented Bishop's College Faculty of Medicine at the centennial celebration of Harvard Medical school, at Boston, on the 17th October.

Dr. R. A. Kennedy has been appointed a Medical Examiner for the New York Life Insurance Company, in place of the late Dr. David. This Company has just resumed business in Canada.

#### THE LATE DR. J. A. SEWELL.

##### QUEBEC.

At a good age, yet almost in the active exercise of his professional abilities, Dr. James A. Sewell has passed from among us, his death having occurred at his residence in Quebec on the 28th of September last, the result of senile gangrene of the foot. Dr. Sewell was one of the oldest medical practitioners in Quebec, and for many years has stood deservedly at the head of his profession. He was born in 1810 in that city, and received there his early education, graduating in medicine at Edinburgh, where he received his diploma in 1833. For half a century the deceased gentleman has practised his profession in the Ancient Capital. During the troubles of 1837-38 he was attached to the Royal Volunteer Artillery. Dr. Sewell has been Professor and Dean of the Faculty of Medicine in Laval University since its establishment, and continued his lectures in that institution without intermission up to the date of his late illness. He has been for forty-three years past one of the visiting physicians of the Hotel Dieu, and for over thirty years chairman of the Marine Hospital Commission. He was also a Governor of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the Province of Quebec, of which he was a former vice-president. He was an ex-president of the Canada Medical Association and of the Quebec Medical Society. Deceased was an M. A. of Bishop's College, Lennoxville. Most of the younger medical practitioners of this city have followed the lectures of the deceased physician, and in cases of difficulty in their every-day practice he was often consulted by them, and was ever ready to assist them with his learning and experience.