

Obituary.

Dr. John Cronyn.

DR. JOHN CRONYN, of Buffalo, died at his home Friday evening, February 11, aged 72 years. He was stricken with paralysis on Monday night previous to his death, and though he rallied once or twice during the week, fatal symptoms supervened two days before his death and he gradually sank, becoming unconscious a few hours before his death. He died surrounded by his family and medical attendants.

Dr. Cronyn was born December 15, 1825, at Black Rock, a suburb of Cork, Ireland. He received his preliminary education in a school at Cork, under the supervision of his father and after he came to America was placed in charge of private tutors in Knox's College, Toronto. He came to this country in 1837 in company with his widowed mother, five brothers and one sister, and located at Toronto. In a few years he began the study of medicine, which he pursued in the University of Toronto, and passed his examinations for the degree of M.D. in 1850. In 1859, Dr. Cronyn came to Buffalo and established himself at the corner of Church and Pearl streets. He rapidly gained an active professional practice and soon was appointed first as surgeon and next as physician in-chief of the medical staff of the Buffalo Hospital Sisters of Charity, which latter office he held until his death. The medical department of Niagara University was established in 1883 largely if not principally through his instrumentality, and in that college he held the chair of principles and practice of medicine, and was President of the Medical Faculty from the foundation of the school until his end. In 1888, Niagara University conferred upon him the degree of Ph.D., and in 1893 that of LL.D.

Dr. Cronyn was President of the New York State Medical Association (1888), twice President of the Medical Society of the County of Erie (1875-1876), twice President of the Buffalo Medical and Surgical Association (1876-1883) and an honorary member of the Ontario Medical Association.

Dr. Cronyn was a literal student of medicine, well versed in professional lore, easy and ready in debate, an excellent teacher and a courteous gentleman. He acquired a very large practice, and often called long distances as a consultant and justly achieved a wide fame as a family physician. — *Buffalo Medical Journal*.