

Information Wanted Re Cancer.

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DEAR SIR:—I have been convinced for many years that cancer is a highly contagious and not at all a hereditary disease, and that we should spare no effort to stamp it out, as we could easily do if the whole profession was convinced of its contagiousness. With this end in view I am preparing a paper for the Toronto meeting of the British Medical Association, and in order to make it convincing I have collected quite a number of cases of

actual and undoubted contagion. I would earnestly beg that any of your readers, who know personally of cases of the disease having been contracted from neighbors or persons in the same house, who were in no way related by blood, (especially cases of a man having cancer of the penis giving it to or contracting it from his wife) would communicate the same to me and I will give them due credit for their help in my paper.

Yours very truly,

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OBITUARY.

DR. W. D. CURRIE—The death of Dr. William Douglas Currie took place on the evening of June 6th, at Brookland Hospital, Sydney Mines, C. B. Dr. Currie was the youngest son of Rev. Dr. Currie, Professor of Hebrew in Pine Hill Theological College, and was a bright young man who was doing splendidly in the practice of his profession at Sydney Mines, where he was colliery doctor at No. 3 mine. About three days previously he was stricken with a severe attack of pneumonia, probably contracted from a patient suffering from the same disease, whom he had diligently watched just previous to his own illness.

Dr. Currie graduated in Arts at Dalhousie, and in medicine at McGill University four years ago.

Dr. Currie was thirty years of age, and leaves many sorrowing relatives and friends. He is survived by his father and mother and by four brothers and four sisters—John, in Maitland; Robert, manager of the Royal Bank in Lunenburg; George, in the States, and Harry, in Schenectady, N. Y.; and Mrs. F. O. Robertson, of Truro; Mrs. C. J. Burchell, of Sydney, and Misses Maria and Anna, sisters at home. They will receive the sincere sympathy of many friends in this sudden affliction.

His funeral took place at Halifax on Sunday, June 10th, and was attended by a large number of citizens.

The NEWS extends its sincere sympathy to all the relatives.