

besides important physiological significance. Schiff states that when the albumen of egg, or other insoluble food, was given to fasting animals, no digestion took place, as no pepsine was secreted; but if certain soluble foods were given at the same time, pepsine was produced and digestion took place.

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Obituary.

Dr. G. Niemeier, an old resident of the village of Neustadt, Ont., has died at the age of 72 years. He is a graduate of 1848 of the University of Wurgburg, Bavaria, and has practised medicine in Ontario for almost half a century.

Dr. T. A. Ferguson, who has been practising in Parkdale for a little over four years, died at his residence, Macdonell Avenue, on the 13th inst. He was the son of the late John Ferguson, of Her Majesty's Customs, Toronto, being born thirty-two years ago, in South Simcoe. He attended Upper Canada College and Toronto University for a time, but on account of ill-health he quit studying, and turned to commercial life. He returned to his first love, however, and graduated M.B. in Toronto University in 1889. He married two years ago, his widow and one child surviving him. He was an active church worker, a strong society man—belonging to many orders and a good Conservative. He was interred at Cookstown, on the 16th inst.

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