

settling in London he had passed through many schools; Trinity College, Dublin, Leeds Infirmary, Anatomical School, Dublin, and St. Thomas's Hospital, and had spent years in the navy where he saw active service. At the outbreak of the Crimean war he was made chief surgeon of the hospitals at Smyrna and Renkioi. Such was scarce the training one would picture as developing the great gynecologist. But such it was and on his return to England he rapidly came to the fore, and in 1865 he published his first great work in which was detailed his ten years experience in abdominal surgery and especially ovariectomy. Other well-known works followed including the "Diagnosis and Treatment of Abdominal Tumours," in 1885. In 1882-83 he was President of the Royal College of Surgeons, in 1883, he was made a baronet. Dublin, Leyden, Charkof and Bologna conferred honorary degrees upon him, while the list of learned societies of which he was an honorary member is long and embraces many countries.

The surgeon cannot hope to continue in the active exercise of his profession so long as the physician. After seventy the co-operation of eye and hand are not in most men sufficiently sure. Thus for some years Sir Spencer had practically ceased from active work. Nevertheless he continued to be a well-known figure in English medical circles, with his round genial face, fresh, almost apple blossom complexion, and characteristically English appearance, a country gentleman edition of Pickwick with a subtle something that proclaimed the medical man of the best school.

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JOHN MOWBRAY McCLURE BRATHWAITE, M.D., C.M.

It is only a year ago that Dr. Brathwaite's name appeared in the list of those who had successfully passed the examination in the final branches of McGill University. He passed most successfully, taking honours in gynecology, but he was destined never to practice his chosen profession. He was not in good health at the time of the examinations and never regained his strength. He was the son of Mr. John H. Brathwaite, of East Point, in St Philip, Barbados, and the great-grandson of General Brathwaite. He passed away on January 21st, 1897, at the early age of 24, mourned and regretted by all who knew him.

ROBERT TODD REYNOLDS, M.D.

We regret to record the death of Robert Todd Reynolds, M.D., of Chicago. Dr. Reynolds was the oldest living graduate of McGill University, having graduated in medicine in the year 1836. He