

Obituary.

SIR WILLIAM STOKES.

A dispatch was received from Durban, August 19th, saying that Sir William Stokes, the distinguished surgeon of Dublin, died in that town on that day. He was surgeon-in-ordinary to the Queen, and consulting surgeon to the British forces in South Africa. He was born March 16th, 1839. A few minutes after reading the report of his death in the *Toronto Mail and Empire*, we noticed the following in the *British Medical Journal* of August 11th, received the same day:

DINNER TO WAR SURGEONS AT DURBAN.

On June 30th the medical practitioners of Durban entertained Sir William Stokes, Consulting Surgeon to the Field Forces, and Sir Thomas Fitzgerald, of Melbourne, at dinner in the Durban Club. The Rev. Dr. Booth was also among the honored guests. There was a large attendance of members, and Dr. Addison presided. In the speeches which followed, appreciative remarks were made by the chairman and Dr. Allen on the services rendered by the guests during the present war. Special reference was made by Sir William Stokes to the unjustifiable, and in many instances grotesque, charges that had recently been made against the Army Medical Service. He paid a high tribute of praise to the superb way the medical and surgical work had been accomplished in the present campaign, by the army medical officers both in the field and base hospitals, which undoubtedly had far distanced any similar work done in former wars.

JOHN BYRON NEWMAN, M.B.

Dr. J. B. Newman, of Detroit, died August 11th, after a short illness said to be due to heat prostration. He was educated in the Toronto School of Medicine, and received the degree of M.B. from the University of Toronto in 1864. After graduating he practiced for many years at Wallaceburg, Ont., with great success. Some years ago he removed to Detroit, where he was engaged in practice until a few days before his death.