

He had a subtle brain which could cerebrated easily without disturbing the vegetative functions—a truly Gladstonian quality to be envied. As a public speaker he had a lucid and ornate style with the added charm of a voice of silvery intonation.

It was, however, as a pioneer teacher of medicine, and later, and for many years, as the most prominent medical educationist of the country, that Dr. Rolph became most justly celebrated. During a series of years before the rebellion he had had a number of private students whom he coached and trained, and two of these (H. H. Wright and J. H. Richardson) followed him to Rochester when he was living there in exile.

By a natural evolution Rolph's School of Medicine began to take shape shortly after his return to Toronto in 1843; and assisted by a few others, notably Dr. Joseph Workman, Dr. Rolph's efforts were soon rewarded by the great success of his school, which became a medical centre for students for over a quarter of a century. Incorporated in 1853 as the Toronto School of Medicine, Rolph's School was later and for many years the Medical Department of Victoria University; and the Doctor held office as Dean till early in 1870, passing away from this mundane sphere in October of the same year.

It is peculiarly appropriate that this portrait of such a master should be presented to the Academy by one who, as Dean of Trinity Medical College, played well his part for so many years as a leading teacher of medicine and most successful head of a school with such an honorable record amongst the educational institutions of this country.

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