## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

It was he who designed the building for anatomical adopted. study in which the lectures were at first delivered. This building is yet to be seen to the west of, and adjacent to, the old Parliament buildings on Front Street (see illustration), the west wing of which was occupied by King's College. Here Dr. Gwynne was wont to spend much of his time, even extending into the night, after the medical school was established, giving instructions to his pupils, especially his favourite one, Mr. Small, who for many years practised in Toronto. The merging of King's College into Toronto University, January, 1850, only made Dr. Gwynne the more enthusiastic in his labours. No wonder he was a favourite with his students. But when, in 1854, the medical department was swept away by the action of the Legislature, Dr. Gwynne, with some others of the professors, felt that the end had come for all aspirations in the pursuit of medical science. He lost all interest in medicine and even cared not to remain in the country. He consequently arranged to return to the Old Country, and in the summer of 1854, departed, with the intention of remaining away if he could find a suitable home, his family having preceded him. He devoted some time to travel-one winter was passed in Paris, and a second, in the north of France. But after being away for two years, Dr. Gwynne was persuaded that only in Canada would he be satisfied to live, and so he returned. Thereafter he devoted his time to farming and the study of insect-life, of which he was very fond. He possessed a good deal of landed property, but which was encumbered by mortgage, and which he was unable to discharge in his lifetime, and the property he left has become very valuable by the growth of Toronto.

He had four children, three of whom were sons, who died in infancy. His daughter still (1894) lives in Toronto, cherishing the memory of a loving father.

Dr. Gwynne died, September, 1875, aged 69, on board the steamer *Miramichi*, while on a trip to the lower provinces, where he had gone to recruit his health, which had been impaired by worry and disappointment.

His widow died, May, 1883.

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