

DAVID EARL BURDETT, M.D., M.R.C.S.E.—Dr. Burdett died at his home in Belleville, after a long illness, August 25, at the age of 67. He was born in Prince Edward county, Ontario, and received his degree in medicine from Trinity College, Toronto, in 1855. After practising several years he went to England for post-graduate work, and became, by examination, M.R.C.S.E., and Lic. Mid. R.C.P. Edin. He had a large practice in Belleville, and was also well known outside of medical circles. He was for a time a member of the municipal council, coroner for the county of Hastings, and surgeon-major to the Argyle Light Infantry. In addition to his widow and one daughter, who survive him, there remains one son, Dr. Harry Earl Burdett, who graduated at Queen's in 1886, and is now practising in St. Paul, Minn., where he holds a prominent position in the leading university of that city.

WALTER ROBERT GILLESPIE, M.D.—We have to record with deep regret the death of a very worthy young physician, Dr. W. R. Gillespie, which occurred at Penetanguishene, August 23. He took his medical course in the Toronto School of Medicine, and graduated in Victoria University in 1887. For a time he practised in West Toronto Junction, and, while there, had an attack of scarlatina, followed by acute Bright's disease, which finally assumed the chronic form, and caused his death. Shortly after his attack of acute nephritis, which did not appear to be serious in character, he went to Penetanguishene and entered into a partnership with his brother, and was able to do a certain amount of practice until a few weeks before his death. The remains were brought to Cannington, the home of his boyhood, and buried, August 28.

DR. EDWARD RUSH PALMER, of Louisville, Ky., died on the night of July 5-6, 1895, from the effects of an injury received in a bicycle collision while riding on the Third street boulevard in the city of his home. The accident occurred late in the evening of July 5, by which he was hurled headlong against the curbstone. He almost immediately became unconscious from a fracture of the base of the skull, and was taken to the Norton Infirmary, where he died at 12.30 a.m., July 6. Edward Rush Palmer was born at Woodstock, Vt., November 18, 1842. He served in military hospitals in Louisville and Lebanon, and at the end of the war returned home, where he entered upon the general practice of medicine. About ten years ago he abandoned his large family practice to devote himself to the specialty of genito-urinary surgery, in which he became celebrated. In 1868, he was chosen professor of physiology in his *alma mater*, and held a chair in that institution until he died. In 1893 he was elected president of the American Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons, and attended its last meeting at Niagara Falls, May 29-30, 1895. It is not often that we are called upon to record such a painful incident in these columns. Dr. Palmer was a man who took great enjoyment in life, and, though turned well into the fifties, he was as fresh and vivacious as a boy in his 'teens, while yet strong in his well-ripened manhood. He leaves a wife, daughter, and two sons to mourn his untimely end. We publish in this issue a late paper from Dr. Palmer's ready pen.