

between York (Toronto) and Niagara. Here, as the only medical man at the head of the lake, he quickly obtained an extensive practice, so extensive, indeed, that the greater part of the day was spent in the saddle. His district at that time lay between the Grand River and twenty miles down the lake on either side, an area about 60 miles by 20. In 1820 he moved across the valley to West Flamboro', about two miles from Ancaster, having purchased one of the most beautiful sites in Western Canada, immediately above the town of Dundas, and overlooking Burlington Bay and Lake Ontario. Here he continued to live until the time of his death. Dr. Hamilton possessed qualities of mind and body which fitted him in the highest degree for his profession, while the strict and conscientious attention which he paid to all cases, early secured for him a lucrative practice. Unfortunately in later years he engaged in some commercial enterprises which proved far from successful, but an indomitable energy enabled him not only to tide over reverses, but to make provision for old age. In all public matters Dr. Hamilton took a deep interest, but had no great desire for parliamentary honours. Though a staunch conservative and a leading man of his party, he was only once induced to contest a county, and then unsuccessfully. He was one of the original promoters of the Great Western Railway, of which he was for many years a Director, latterly holding the position of consulting Surgeon. At the time of the Rebellion he held a commission as Colonel of Militia, and took an active part in its suppression. By his professional brethren Dr. Hamilton was held in the highest esteem, and most deservedly so, for one by one he had welcomed them heartily into his district, holding out to each the hand of good-fellowship. He took a deep interest in the Ontario Medical Council, and represented the Burlington and Home districts from 1869 to 1872. It is much to be regretted that Dr. Hamilton has left us no record of his medical experiences, which, extending as they did over a period of sixty years, would have formed a most valuable contribution to Canadian medicine. To the end he maintained an interest in the progress of the art, and frequently, in conversation, would refer