

consecutive. In hysterectomy for myoma Dr. Keith was also a pioneer. Though conservative, operating only on cases where symptoms, bleeding or other, were very marked, his results were at that time phenomenal, three deaths in thirty-three cases. Notwithstanding this, when Apostoli published his methods and results Keith studied them carefully and adopted them for all but extreme cases, which he reserved for the knife. It is needless to say that this action came with an intense shock to the surgical world. Its motives and the wisdom of it were severely questioned in many quarters.

At this time Thomas Keith and his son, Skene Keith, who was following in his father's footsteps, removed to London. The wisdom of this step has been much doubted. At all events failing health prevented his doing much more work, and for the last three years very little indeed.

Keith wrote but little, what he did write was remarkable for earnestness and conscientiousness. His contributions to ovariectomy were published in the *Edinburgh Medical Journal*. Other papers of later date were published in the *British Medical Journal*. These were amplified and published in a small monograph embodying brief reports of all his cases of operation for myoma of the uterus, and in a later one on the electrical treatment of the same class of tumours.

Dr. Keith leaves two sons in the medical profession Mr. Skene Keith and Dr. George Keith, both of whom devote themselves to the department of medicine with which their father's name is so honourably associated.

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Dr. James C. Rattray (McGill '74) died at Cobden, Ont., on Tuesday, November 12th, aged 44 years and 3 months.

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