

medical services; a purpose which he never swerved from, notwithstanding the opposition from small minds whose idea of a military dispensary could be contained in a pill box, or at most a cigar box. He also held the position of P. M. O. of the 8th military district.

We here give one little incident showing the resources and strength of character which marked the man. Some years ago, Dr. Montizambert, Inspector-General of Quarantine was away in Alaska when the government decided that all coastwise vessels must henceforth be subjected to quarantine—a measure rendered necessary by the transmission of disease and distemination of contagion in all the Atlantic ports. In their emergency, they sent for Dr. March, and after long and close discussion of plans, the department put the whole matter in his hands, and in a few days he had remodelled the quarantine regulations, and made them the most complete and comprehensive rules governing pratique of any government in the world. Dr. March was sent to all the Eastern ports to install the new system, and on his return, the veteran Inspector-General declared that no point had been omitted or left out.

Dr. March was a member of the New Brunswick Medical Society, and read numerous technical papers before that body.

He was an active Mason, being past master of Union Lodge, Portland, and a member of Royal Arch Chapter. He was also a member of the Union Club, and had served on the committee of that institution.

He was a musician of ability both as a composer and instrumentalist on piano and organ. He was organist of the Main Street Baptist church for some years, and was always ready to

assist in every good and philanthropic work. He was also a member of the R. K. Y. C., and took a great interest in its annual outings. He was a member of the Baptist church, but his many other duties had left him little time for church associations. He was a universal favorite in all walks of life and with all classes. He leaves an aged father and mother, three brothers, and a family consisting of his widow, one daughter and three sons.

At a meeting of the St. John Medical Society, a resolution was carried expressing the society's sincere regret at the lamented death of Dr. March. Arrangements were also made for the representation of the society at the funeral, which was largely attended.

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DR. MASON A. SHEFFIELD.

IN the sudden and unexpected death of Mason A. Sheffield, M. D., St. John lost one of its oldest and most esteemed citizens. Dr. Sheffield was out on both the morning and afternoon of the 30th ult. At 6.15 p. m. he returned to his home, 116 Princess Street, and remarked to the family that he was suffering from a pain in the chest, which he supposed had been caused by quick walking. Immediately afterward he retired to his room and went to bed. Mrs. Sheffield fearing that her husband was ill, went to his room and asked him if he felt better. Dr. Sheffield replied in the negative. Dr. P. P. Inches and Dr. Thomas Walker were called at once. A few minutes after their arrival, Dr. Sheffield passed away.

The late Dr. Mason A. Sheffield was born in Cornwallis, N. S., in March, 1837. His education was begun at Wolfville Academy, and continued at Dalhousie University,