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MEN OF TO-DAY

An Eminent Canadian Surgeon

THE medical fraternity from all quarters of the globe are about to congregate for the discussion of professional problems at the old-world city of Budapest, between the 29th of August and the 4th of September. Some of the Canadian delegates to the International Medical Congress are already on their way. Doctors Bruce, Aikins, Hamilton and Ryerson are Toronto men who sailed last week as representatives of the Ontario Government.

Dr. Herbert Bruce is a surgeon. He has been a surgeon exclusively during the whole of his medical career. His reputation ranks him among the first of Canadian operators. He succeeds where others fail because he is strong, steady and quick. Dr. Bruce came originally from Port Perry. He went to school there and as a boy was regarded as something of a phenomenon because he passed his high school entrance at ten years of age, and was a fully matriculated student of the University of Toronto five years later. Until he was eighteen, he was doing odd jobs in a drug store, rubbing up against practical life a little, and, on the side, absorbing some very useful knowledge for the career he had mapped out for himself. Then he came to Toronto and "plugged" straight medicine for four years, graduating finally with the gold medal. After that he was house surgeon at the Toronto General Hospital for a short period. He left the hospital wards to be surgeon of the C. P. R. steamship *Empress of Japan*. He roamed the Pacific for a considerable time in that good craft and then was off to London, England, to do a little more mental hustling. After two years there, he was awarded the rare F. R. C. S. degree. Since that time, Dr. Bruce has resided permanently in Toronto, where he holds the position of assistant professor of clinical surgery in the provincial university, and that of consulting surgeon to the Toronto General Hospital.

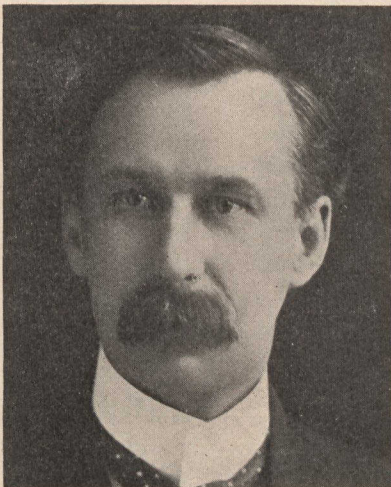
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The Canadian Secretary

DR. W. H. B. AIKINS is the secretary for Canada of the International Medical Congress. He held that position in 1906 when the big meeting was at Lisbon. Dr. Aikins has ever been actively interested in the big movements of his profession. His business acumen has been in demand by such important organizations as the British Medical Association, the Mississippi Valley Medical Association, the Canadian Medical Association, and the Ontario Medical Association—all of which he has served in some official capacity or other. Dr. Aikins is a son of the well-known westerner, the late Hon. J. C. Aikins, Senator, and ex-Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba. Upper Canada College, Toronto, looked after his general education till he received his medical aspirations. Then he was a student at the Toronto School of Medicine, and by 1881 was as full-fledged a doctor as the Queen City could make him. Next he journeyed to Europe and spent considerable time in post-graduate work at London, Edinburgh and Vienna. In 1884, he opened up an office at Toronto, and has continued there ever since, without interruption, except when occasionally he closes up to go abroad and take his college course over again investigating new discoveries, as his up-to-date habits compel him. Dr. Aikins and his



Dr. Herbert Bruce, Toronto,
Delegate to Budapest.



Mr. J. S. McKinnon,
Chairman-elect Toronto Branch of the
Canadian Manufacturers' Association.



Dr. W. H. B. Aikins, Toronto,
Secretary for Canada of the International
Medical Congress to be held at Budapest.



Dr. H. J. Hamilton, Toronto,
Delegate to Budapest.

fellow-delegates will endeavour to persuade the Congress to come to Canada at an early date. This would be an honour worth national consideration.

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An All-Round Medical Man

DR. H. J. HAMILTON is the kind of man in whom one would naturally confide tales of aches and pains. He is a general practitioner with a wide knowledge of country as well as city conditions. Like many another flourishing Canadian doctor, he prepared himself for the arduous labours of his profession by many a hard day's work on the paternal farm. Dr. Hamilton is a Peel County boy of United Empire Loyalist descent, born in 1863. He got his first notions of books at a cross-roads school-house and later at Brampton High School. He graduated in medicine from Toronto in 1886. Six years he cared for the sick of his own county, and then he entered a wider sphere of action at Toronto. He was president of the Ontario Medical Association for the year 1908.

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One of the Ryersons

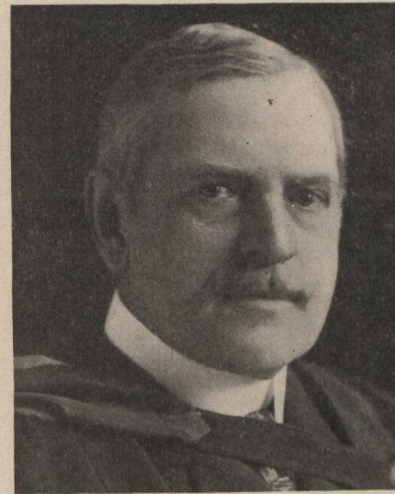
DR. GEORGE STERLING RYERSON'S love of learning comes in the natural course of events. Bookish dispositions run in the Ryerson family. Dr. Ryerson's father was a member of the "learned professions"—a minister of the church, and his uncle was the famed educator, Dr. Egerton Ryerson, of whom all Canadian boys studying history hear about at some time during their course. Dr. George Sterling Ryerson is a Torontonian by birth. He first went to school at Galt. He began his medical studies at New York, but shifted around between the United States, Canada and Europe in order to get a broad and varied training. His specialty is diseases of the eye and ear. At present, he instructs the embryo doctors of the University of Toronto in the mysteries of those diseases. Dr. Ryerson has attained to prominence outside the sphere of his profession. He has battled successfully as a politician; he ranks high in the Masonic order; and he is a soldier of note. His military career is conspicuous because of his founding of

the Canadian Red Cross Society. The Dominion Government are sending Dr. Ryerson to Budapest as the first Government representative of the Canadian Militia Medical Service to an International Medical meeting.

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A Prominent Toronto Business Man

MR. J. S. MCKINNON has done duty on most of the committees of the Toronto Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association



Dr. Sterling Ryerson,
Delegate to Budapest.

during the past few years. Last year he held the office of vice-chairman. The other day his fellow-members decreed that he should be chairman of their organisation for the ensuing year. Mr. McKinnon is silent and unobtrusive in manner. He absorbs himself thoroughly in his work and says little about it. Nevertheless he has performed with rare skill every piece of work, private or public, which has come to his hand. Mr. McKinnon's home town is the little village of Blyth in Huron County. It is a curious coincidence that Mr. W. K. McNaught, now of Toronto also, rose like Mr. McKinnon from the dim obscurity of a humble home near Blyth, to be chairman of the Toronto branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, and later to be president of the whole Dominion organisation. Mr. McKinnon's father kept a general store in the Blyth community, and