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A HISTORICAL SKETCH

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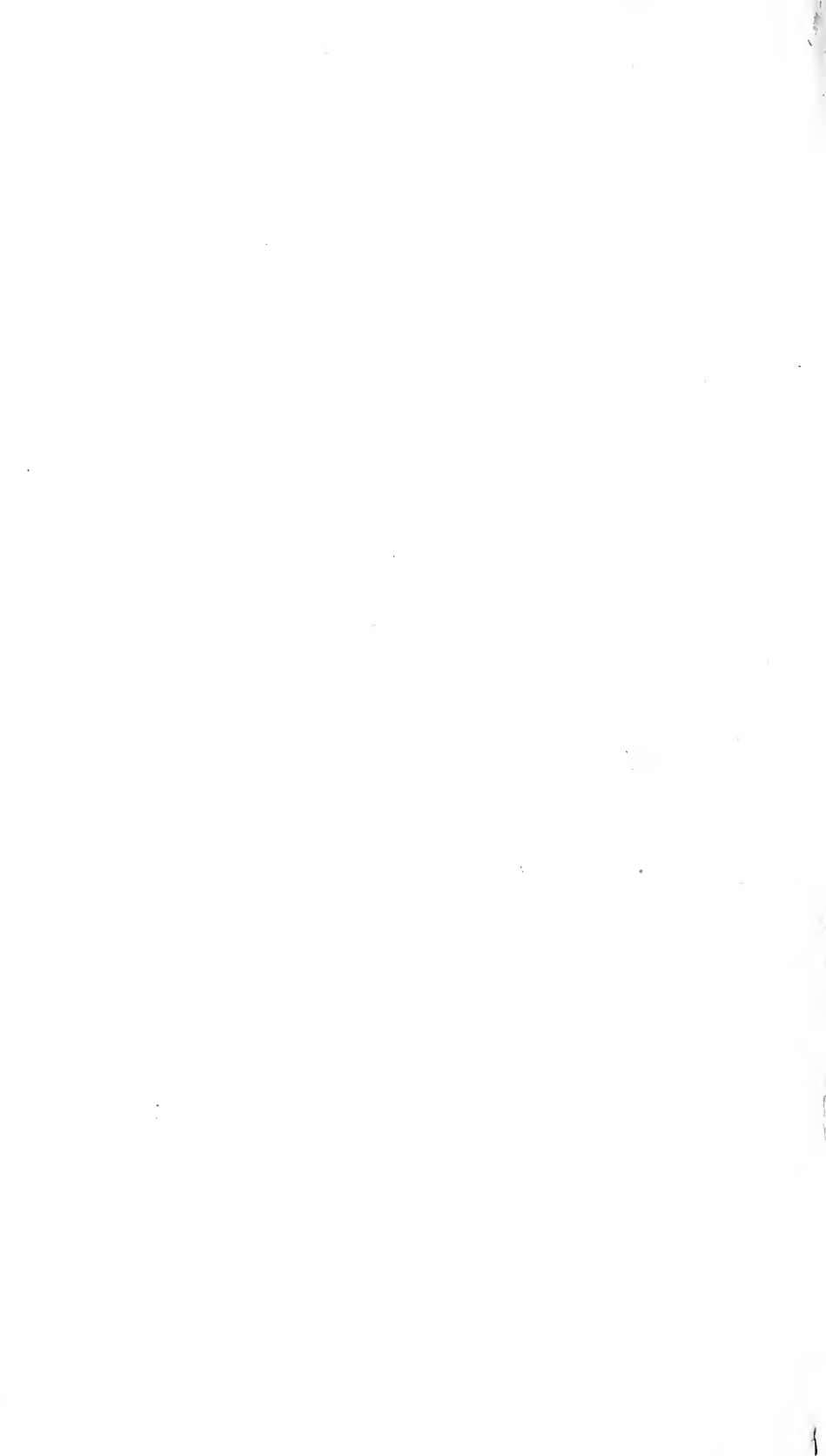
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PREFATORY.

In the dim waste lands of the Orient stands
The wreck of a race so old and vast,
That the grayest legend can not lay hands
On a single fact of its tongueless past;
Not even the red gold crown of a king,
Nor a warrior's shield, nor aught beside,
Can history out of the ruins wring, —
They had no poet and so they died.

The same old tale! and so it will be,
As long as the heavens feed the stars,—
As long as the tribes of men shall see
A lesser glory in arts than wars;
And so let us live, and labor, and pray,
As down we glide with the darkling tide,
That never a singer of us may say,
They had no poet and so they died.

—James Newton Matthews, M. D.

MEDICINE IN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

INTRODUCTORY.

Before speaking of medicine in Champaign county a few words relative to the county itself may not be out of place. Feb. 20, 1833, Governor John Reynolds signed the act creating the present territorial limits of Champaign county and setting it off from Vermilion county, of which it had hitherto formed a part. Champaign county is 36 miles long, 28 wide, contains 1,008 square miles, has a population of upwards of fifty thousand inhabitants and all now realize that the earth affords no better country than that embraced within its limits.

But at the date of the county's organization, its population, and its future as a desirable dwelling place was uncertain to the last degree. For it was then a new country as wild and as nearly overrun by rank vegetation as the warm sunshine, the quickening rainfall and a responsive soil could make it. A new country indeed in which for untold ages unbridled nature had run riot. Could man conquer this country? Could he subdue this wilderness? Could he turn to profitable use the immense stretches of prairie that constituted nine-tenths of the county's

area? Could he make passable roads through its deep, black, tarry soil? Could he get the mastery of the luxuriant and seemingly indestructible blue stem that appeared to be in absolute and eternal possession of the prairie? Could he drain the sloughs and ponds that seared and marred the otherwise beautiful face of this country? Could he bridge the streams with their treacherous beds and banks of quicksand? These were but a few of the problems that presented themselves to the pioneer and the perils he encountered and the hardships he endured are all but impossible for those of us to realize who live in a more favored era.

The points of early settlement in what afterwards became Champaign County were Big Grove, the pioneer's name for the timber north of Urbana, and within the southern limits of which that city is located; Salt Fork, in and about St Joseph; Sangamon settlement; in and about Mahomet; and Sadorus Grove, in and about the village of Sadorus.

At the time of the organization of Champaign County in 1833 Urbana was designated as the County Seat and then and there en-

tered upon its career of promise and prosperity. But of its Twin Sister, the City of Champaign, there was at this time not the faintest hint or sign. Indeed its destiny was so securely hidden in the mists of the future that for the mere heralding of its advent twenty years must needs unfold their weary length. Of the coming city the most visionary did not so much as dream. And little wonder, for the very heart of the future city's business center was one vast pond, in whose shallows cattails and slough grass luxuriated; in whose oozy depths mud turtles and other amphibians found a cool retreat from the scorching rays of the summer's sun; and whose green, scum-coated surface was crossed and criss-crossed by the trail of the water-moccasin. While all about the atmosphere seemed loaded with poisonous exhalations that foreboded the stalking abroad of deadly disease and noisome pestilence.

PIONEER DOCTORS IN THE COUNTY.

The names of physicians entitled to come under this head are few, as only those who came to the County in the first ten years of its history can be included. The writer has succeeded in collecting the names of Drs. Fulkerson, James H. Lyon, N. H. Adams, Harmon Stevens, John S. Saddler,

Winston Somers, W. A. Conkey and C. C. Hawes. There are doubtless others, that should go in this list, but if so their names are not available.

Dr. Fulkerson was the first physician to locate within the limits of what is now Champaign County. But of him little is known, not even his Christian name. It is known, however, that he was a young unmarried man who came in 1830 and remained but one year. He had his office and residence at the home of Mrs. Sarah Coe, who lived near the north end of the Big Grove. Upon leaving Big Grove he went west, but of his subsequent history nothing is known.

Dr. N. H. Adams, Mahomet's first physician, located in that village in the thirties; but just what year is not known. He practiced a good many years at Mahomet and finally died there, but the date of his death can not be given; neither can much of his history.

Dr. C. C. Hawes located in Mahomet in 1843 and practiced medicine in and about the village nearly thirty years. It is regretted that little or nothing of his history is available for this record. Old citizens who knew him, however, speak of him as a competent physician and a good citizen. He died at Mahomet in 1872, aged about 62 years.

In 1832 Dr. James H. Lyon lo-

cated at the home of Mijamin Byers, two miles east of Urbana, and for a time practiced medicine there. He removed to where the village of Sidney now is and in 1837 became one of its founders.

The date and place of Dr. James H. Lyon's birth cannot be given, although he is said to have been a native of Kentucky. He was a lover of fine stock and owned considerable land in the county. He was one of the first, if not the first, person to bring finely bred animals in Champaign County. By those who knew him he is spoken of as a large, fine-looking man. In 1836 he was elected a member of the lower house of the Tenth General Assembly which John Moses in his recent history of Illinois says was "one of the most remarkable bodies of law-makers that ever assembled in the legislative halls of Illinois or any other state."

Among its members were included a future president of the United States, a defeated candidate for the same high office, six future United States senators, eight members of the National House of Representatives, a secretary of the interior, three judges of the Supreme Court, and seven state officers. Here sat side by side Abraham Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas; the gallant E. D. Baker, John Logan, father of General John A. Logan, Richard M

Cullom, Father of Senator Cullom, General John A. McClermand, "Uncle" Jesse Dubois and a host of other notables including such names as Gen. James Shields, Col. John Hardin, U. F. Linder, Ninian W. Edwards, etc.

Dr. Lyons was the first physician to locate in Sidney, but he seems to have removed from the County some time in the early forties. He died at Preston, Texas, about 1888.

Dr. Harmon Stevens was the first doctor to locate in Old Homer, but the exact date of his so doing is not known. It is, however, thought to have been some time in the thirties. Dr. Stevens had a very large practice and is well remembered by some of the older inhabitants of Homer. He was one of the old-time doctors, who believed in and gave heroic doses. He practiced medicine at Homer a great many years and then removed to Newton, Ill., where he died July 7, 1882. He was a native of Canada, and the date of his birth was May 25, 1810.

Dr. John S. Saddler was the first physician to locate in Urbana and came there in 1839. But how long he remained or where he went it is not now possible to ascertain.

Dr. Winston Somers came to Urbana in 1840 and remained in practice there till his death in 1871. He was born in Surrey County, North Carolina, in 1800,

obtaining his education in the common schools of his native state. Like so many medical men Dr. Somers taught school for a time as a sort of stepping-stone to something more permanent. One of his pupils was Miss Mary G. Haynes, whom he afterward married. He began the study of medicine and after qualifying himself as well as he could, considering the existing opportunities, practiced medicine in his native state for a number of years and in 1840 removed to Illinois. He rode all the way from North Carolina on horseback. On his way he stopped at a house in the mountains to remain over night. His entertainers lived in a primitive log cabin and in the night Dr. Somers heard certain noises that he did not like. These made him suspicious and getting up, he saddled his horse and rode away. Next day he stopped at a town and remained while a gunsmith made for him a brace of pistols and armed with these he continued his way and arrived at his destination in safety. The pistols were long in the Somers family as curiosities. A little later he returned to North Carolina and re-

moved permanently to Illinois, bringing his family and belongings in wagons.

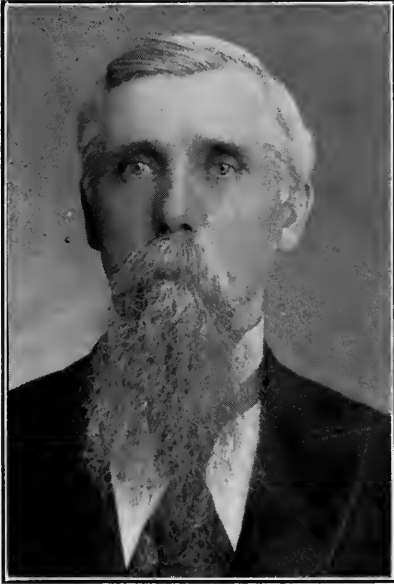
Dr. Somers was a strong character and had in his make-up much of the strong, hardy fibre of the pioneer. He was moreover thoughtful and studious, and not satisfied with his education, he applied himself anew and in 1853 graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago. Later he took up the study of Greek and Hebrew and in these languages acquired enough proficiency to read the Bible in the original text. As said elsewhere, Dr. Somers died at his home in Urbana in 1871.

Dr. W. A. Conkey located in Homer in 1843 and continued in practice there till 1850, when he exchanged it for the much easier and more lucrative business of farming. When he commenced practice in Homer the territory included within the present limits of Homer Township contained but nineteen families. Some years since Dr. Conkey removed to the village of Homer, where he lived till his death, which occurred Dec. 2, 1907.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

Below will be found brief sketches of deceased members and those living who have passed or are near their fiftieth mile posts.

Adams, Dr. N. H. See Pioneer Doctors of Champaign Co.



DR. JOHN H. ALPERS.

John H. Alpers was born in Hanover, Germany, June 10, 1836. He received his preliminary education in the public schools and in the Gymnasium of Hanover. Subsequently he took a three years course in medicine at

the medical College of Annalt, Gothen, a small German province. After graduating in medicine he emigrated to the United States in 1860 and located for the practice of his profession in Wyandot County, Ohio, where he remained till 1865. Next he located in Danville, Ill., and was there actively engaged in practice till about 1870 when he purchased a farm in East Bend Township, Champaign County, to which he removed and soon after became actively engaged in country practice among his neighbor farmers.

In 1874 he removed to the village of Rantoul where he has ever since been actively occupied with professional work.

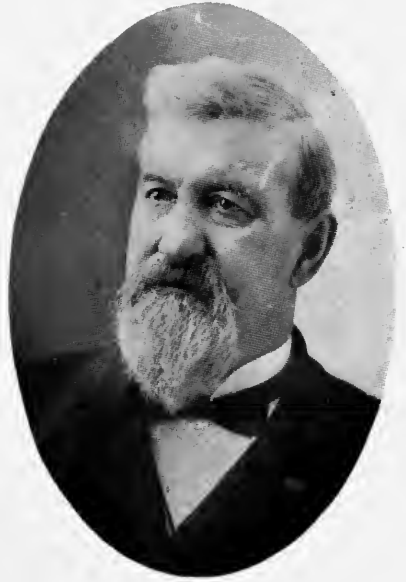
Dr. Emery C. Bartholow was born in Ohio, December 31, 1844. He came with his father, the Reverend Benjamin Bartholow, to Bloomington when a small boy. He attended the public schools and subsequently Wesleyan University. In 1862 he enlisted in the 94th Illinois Infantry, served one year and a half in this organization when he was transferred to the 37th Illinois Infantry, in which he served one year.

Upon leaving the army young Bartholow turned his attention to

medicine and later graduated at Rush Medical College, Chicago. In 1867 he located at Mahomet for the practice of medicine and in this he was engaged till his health gave way. In 1876 Dr. E. C. Bartholow was one of the representatives from Champaign County in the legislature, when he had opportunity to assist in securing the passage of the first Medical Practice Act for Illinois. Dr. Bartholow's health continued to fail and in the early nineties he died.

Dr. Bartholow was a thoughtful studious man of fine personal appearance and a ready off-hand talker. He was a brother of Dr. James M. Bartholow of Urbana.

Dr. James M. Bartholow was born in Urichville, Ohio, February 18, 1847, and in childhood removed with his father, the Reverend Benjamin Bartholow, a well-known Methodist preacher, to Bloomington, Ill. At the early age of fifteen years he enlisted in the 94th Illinois Infantry. Dr. Bartholow received his education in the common schools, and also for a time attended Wesleyan University. When yet a young man he took up the study of medicine and later graduated at Rush Medical College, Chicago. In 1869 he came to Philo and soon built up a good practice there. In 1895 he removed to Urbana and is now a practitioner of that city. He is



Dr. JAMES M. BARTHOLOW.

one of the Board of United States Surgeons of Champaign County for Pension Examinations.

Dr. E. I. Birdsell was born in Birmingham, New York, Jan. 12, 1844. In boyhood much of his time was put in as a canal boy. He obtained his education in the common schools and later studied medicine. He located in Pesotum in 1869 and continued in practice there till 1891, when he removed to Chicago, where he died on his birthday, Jan. 12, 1893, having rounded out precisely forty-nine years of life.

Dr. Samuel H. Birney was born in Cadiz, Ohio, Nov. 2, 1834. He graduated in medicine from Rush Medical College, Chicago, located

in Urbana in 1861, and served as surgeon of the 135th Illinois Infantry. He was an active man in medical societies and was a member of the committee appointed from the Illinois State Medical Society in 1876 to memorialize the legislature to secure the enactment of a law regulating the practice of medicine and creating a State Board of Health in Illinois. For a number of years Dr. Birney was a member of the Champaign County Board of United States Surgeons for Pension Examinations. In 1888 he removed to Denver Colo., where he lived till 1898, when he returned to Urbana. Meantime his health failed and July 1, 1900, he died.



DR. MYRON S. BROWN, 1832-1901.

R. H. Brown was located at Mahomet, Champaign Co., at the breaking out of the civil war and in 1861 became Assistant Surgeon of the 25th Ill. Infantry and served in the field two years. Some time after he removed West and is now living in old age at Wichita, Kan. He is the author of an interesting book, the title of which is, "Abraham Lincoln and the Men of his Time."

Dr. Myron S. Brown was born at Colton, New York, June 30, 1832. Shortly after his birth his parents removed to Ohio, where young Brown grew up. He obtained his preliminary education in

the common schools and soon after reaching the years of young manhood began the study of medicine.

But in this study he was greatly hampered by circumstances over which he had no control; the result was a number of years went by before he was able to complete his medical education. Meanwhile he removed to Urbana, Ill., where he engaged in various pursuits, such a bookkeeper, clerk, and the mercantile business.

Upon the breaking out of the war Dr. Brown in 1861 entered the service as Assistant Surgeon of the 25th Illinois Infantry. Here



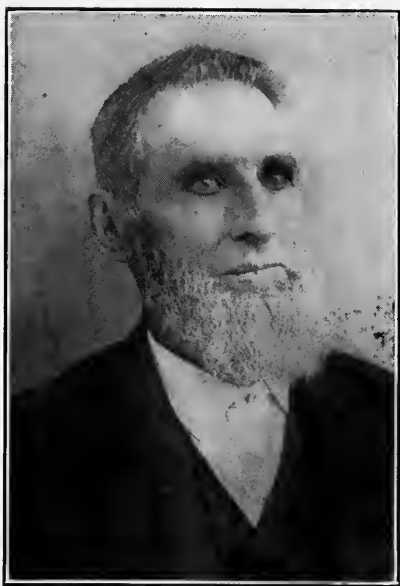
DR. W. F. BURRES.

he found good opportunities for improving his professional knowledge and made the most of them.

At the expiration of his military service Dr. Brown returned to Urbana and practiced medicine there till May 1884, when he removed to Danville, Ill., where he engaged in practice till his death June 28, 1901.

Dr. William F. Burres was born June 29, 1857, in Coles County, Illinois. His early days were passed on a farm and as opportunity offered he attended the public schools. Later he for a time was a student at Asbury University, Greencastle, Ind., and likewise at Wesleyan University, Bloomington, Ill. Finally he began the study of medicine under Dr. Wagner of Newman, Ill., later matriculated at Rush Medical College from which he graduated in 1882. He chose Sidney, Ill., for his first location and remained there till 1900 when, after an extended trip abroad, he removed to Urbana, Ill., where he has since been actively engaged professionally.

Dr. Herman Chaffee was born in Rutland County, Vermont, June 18, 1816. He decided to enter the medical profession and later graduated from Albany Medical College, New York. After graduating he spent a short period in

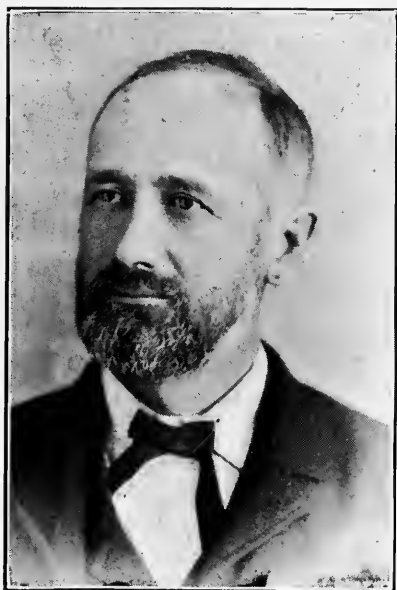


DR. HERMAN CHAFFEE, 1816-1900.

practice and then went to Paris, France, where he remained fifteen months, perfecting his medical education.

In 1857 Dr. Chaffee came to Tolono and located there permanently. He built the fourth frame house in that place and laid the first sidewalk. He was also the first postmaster of the village; his house at first and later his office served their places in turn as the village postoffice. In 1900 Dr. Chaffee died at his home in Tolono at the advanced age of 84 years, making him at the time of his decease the oldest physician in Champaign County.

Dr. A. Catron was born in Clark County, Illinois, October 19, 1826, studied medicine and attended lectures at Louisville, Ky. In 1856, when thirty years of age, he located at Sadorus, where he has since lived. In 1896, forty years after arriving in Sadorus, he retired from practice. Dr. Catron was the first physician to locate in Sadorus.



DR. JACOB D. CHAMBERS.

Dr. Jacob G. Chambers was born in Tompkins County, New York, in 1842. He obtained his English education in the public schools and this was supplemented by a two years' course in Hobert College. In 1864 he graduated

from Geneva Medical College, New York. Immediately after graduation he entered the service as Surgeon of the 190th Pennsylvania Infantry, in which he served till the war of the Rebellion ended. In 1869 he located at Sadorus for the practice of medicine. But in a few years he practically abandoned this for the much more remunerative business of farming and stock raising that for many years he has followed most successfully. Dr. Chambers has represented his Township on the Board of Supervisors most acceptably to all.

Dr. Daniel A. Cheever was born in Providence, R. I., July 26, 1827; studied medicine and graduated from New York Homeopathic Medical College in 1865. He located in Champaign City in 1870 where he practiced till 1877, when he removed to Peoria. At the last named location he practiced his profession till failing health compelled him to retire. Dr. Cheever died in Champaign, Ill., September 1, 1890.

Dr. Job S. Coggeshall was born in Wayne County, Indiana, in 1839, studied medicine and during the civil war served as Hospital Steward and Assistant Surgeon in the 2nd Indiana Cavalry. In 1871 he located at Ogden and practiced there a few years, when he removed to Indiana and practiced medicine in that state for a

time, but, liking Illinois better, he in 1884 returned to Ogden, where he practiced till his death, September 14, 1902.



DR. W. A. CONKEY, 1820-1907.

Dr. William A. Conkey was born December 6, 1820, at Charle-mont, Massachusetts, in the Berk-shire hills region. At the age of ten years he removed with his par-ents to the then far West and fin-ally settled in Champaign County. As a boy Dr. Conkey went through all the privations and hard experiences of the pioneers in the first half of the nineteenth century. He spent most of his time working on the farm and dur-ing winter months attended the nearest log school house, but by

making the best use of his oppor-tunities managed to acquire a fair education. He began the study of medicine at an early age and at-tended lectures at Louisville, Ky. He located in old Homer in 1843 and continued the practice of his profession till 1850, when he ex-changed it for the more lucrative business of farming and stock raising. Some years since he re-tired to the village of Homer where his death occurred, Decem-ber 2, 1907. See also pioneer doc-tors.

Dr. G. E. Cogswell was born January 6, 1849, at Towanda, Pa., and while in infancy removed with his parents to Carroll Co., Ill. He spent his boyhood days work-ing on the farm and attended the neighboring schools. Subse-quently he attended Mount Car-roll Seminary and Painsville (Ohio) Academy. Deciding to study medicine he matriculated at Hahnemann College, Chicago, from which he graduated in 1873. He first located at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, next changed his residence to Waukegan, Ill., where he en-gaged in practice till 1902, when he removed to Champaign City and has since been actively occu-pied in professional business.

Dr. Chas. J. Cooper graduated from Cincinnati Eclectic Medical Institute, 1902, and located at

Penfield, Ill., same year. Died from blood poisoning May 22, 1904.



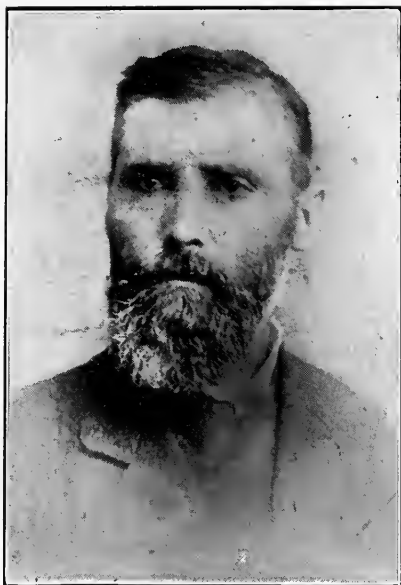
DR. JAMES CORE, 1822-1888.

Dr. James Core was born in Ross County, Ohio, December 19, 1822. He got his education in the common schools and at an early age began teaching and in this way earned enough money to attend lectures at the Medical College of Ohio during the winter of 1845-6. At a later date he graduated from this school. He practiced his profession for a time in Ohio, but in 1853 removed to Illinois and located near Homer, where he soon built up a large practice. At this time there was no doctor to the east nearer than

Danville; to the west none nearer than Urbana, while to the south and north the field was practically unlimited. Consequently his rides were very long and the labor incident to attending to his professional duties arduous in the extreme. Dr. Core was a local Methodist preacher, an earnest temperance advocate, a life-long Republican and withal a good extemporaneous speaker; the result was that he could preach a sermon, deliver a temperance address or ring a political speech with equal facility. In 1878 Dr. Core was elected one of the Legislators from this County. A few years later his health began to fail and April 29, 1888, he died at his home in Homer.

Dr. C. L. Crane located in Mahomet some years prior to the civil war. Died in 1856 from accidental blood poisoning. See violent deaths and accidents.

Dr. Jacob Culver was born in the year 1835 in Butler County, Ohio. When but three years of age he removed with his parents to Indiana, where he grew to manhood, meanwhile receiving his education in the common schools. When a very young man he began the study of medicine and later graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago. Dr. Culver's first location was Clarksville, Ind., but after a time he removed to Illinois and in 1858 located at Ma-



DR. JACOB CULVER, 1835-1880.

homet where he soon built up a good practice. During the civil war Dr. Culver enlisted in the 71st Illinois Infantry as Hospital steward, and owing to the indisposition of the chief surgeon of the regiment, attended to most of the medical wants of the regiment. Dr. Culver, at the expiration of his term of service, returned to Mahomet and resumed his practice and continued in active work till towards the end of the eighties, when his health began to give way, and finally in 1890 he died.

Dr. Henry E. Cushing was born in Ashburnham, Mass., Nov. 30, 1854, and received his preliminary



DR. HENRY E. CUSHING, 1854-1907.

education in the public schools and Westfield High School. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1882 and the same year entered the Chicago Medical College, now the Medical Department of Northwestern University, from which he received the degree of M. D. in 1884. The same year he located for the practice of his profession at Champaign, Ill., where he soon built up a large professional business which he retained till the date of his death, August 11, 1907.

Dr. Cushing was at all times enterprising and energetic and by his own efforts defrayed the great-

er part of the expense of his education. As a practitioner of medicine he was noted for his enter-

prise, aggressiveness and readiness to maintain a high standard of professional ethics.



DR. ALEXANDER T. DARRAH, 1836-1889.

Dr. Alexander T. Darrah was born at Delaware, Ohio, March 17, 1836. Two years later he removed with his parents to Pike County, where he grew to manhood. He obtained his education

in the common schools and when a young man taught. Later he began the study of medicine and in 1865 graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago. The same year that he graduated he located

at Tolono and practiced his profession there continuously till 1883, when he removed to Bloomington, Ill. In his new location he was actively engaged in practice till his death that occurred in September, 1889.

Dr. Darrah was a man of striking personal appearance; was large, well-proportioned and was always well dressed. He stood very high in Masonic circles, was a good extemporaneous speaker and in his day was perhaps one of the best presiding officers in the state. In 1882, when residing at Tolono, he was elected president of the Illinois State Medical Society, an honor that thus far no other member of the Champaign County Medical Society has received.

Dr. Amos Dillon was born near Ridge Farm, Vermilion Co., Ill., Feb. 26, 1840. Here he grew to young manhood and during his boyhood days his time was divided between farm work and attendance upon the neighborhood schools. Later he attended Onarga Academy at Onarga, Ill., and finally became a student of medicine. He graduated from Indiana Medical College in 1878 and soon after located for the practice of his profession in Staunton Township, Champaign County, Ill. Unfortunately when he had given but five years to professional work his use-

fulness was ended by death which occurred April 3, 1883.



DR. WILLIAM DILLON.

Dr. William Dillon was born near Ridge Farm, Vermilion Co., Ill., March 27, 1849, and while yet a small boy removed with his parents to Iroquois County. His early years were spent in farm work and attendance upon the country schools. After reaching young manhood he devoted some time to teaching school. Later he decided to study medicine and was part of the time in the office with his brother, Dr. Amos Dillon of Champaign County, and part of his student days he spent with Dr. Gaston of Ash Grove, Iro-

quois County. He finally graduated in medicine from the Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati, in 1882. The same year he located for the practice of his profession at Thomasboro, Champaign County, where he remained in active professional work till 1900 when he took a post graduate course in Chicago. He then removed to Urbana, where he has even since been engaged in practice.

Dr. Franklin at the breaking out of the Civil war left his practice in Champaign Co. and joined an Ohio Regiment as surgeon. His subsequent history is unknown.

Dr. Ezra H. Ferris was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 18, 1821. In young manhood he studied medicine and in 1846 graduated from the Medical College of Ohio. He practiced medicine in Cincinnati for a considerable period and during this time was four years a member of the City Board of Health. In 1864 Dr. Ferris abandoned the practice of medicine and removed to Illinois and for a number of years lived on a farm in Champaign County. In 1887 he removed to Champaign City, where he continued to reside till his death, April 10, 1904.

Dr. John T. Fugate was born June 15, 1830 at Wytheville, Wythe Co., Virginia. While very



DR. JOHN T. FUGATE.

young removed with parents first to Missouri and later to Illinois. Was raised on a farm near Quincy, Illinois, where his time was alternated between farm work and attendance at the neighborhood schools and higher educational institutions at Barry and Quincy, Ill. In early manhood entered upon the study of medicine and obtained his M. D. degree from Missouri Medical College in 1857. Practiced medicine in St. Louis, Mo., till the outbreak of the Civil War, then for varying periods was located at the following towns in Illinois, viz., Pleasant Hill, Rockport, Summer Hill and El-

Dora. In 1867 he came to Urbana, Ill., where he has since been engaged in practice.

Dr. Fulkerson, first physician to locate in Champaign County. See pioneer doctors in County.

Dr. M. Garst was born in Virginia Jan. 17, 1815, began the study of medicine when very young and at the age of 22 graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He located at Dayton, Ohio, and for many years practiced medicine in that city. Just before the breaking out of the civil war he removed to Illinois and had his home in Champaign City. Upon the organization of the 71st Illinois Infantry he entered that organization as surgeon with the rank of Major and served till the time of the regiment expired. At the termination of the war in 1865 he removed from Champaign and his death occurred at Coon Rapids, Iowa, Oct. 5, 1901.

Dr. J. H. Gardiner was born Feb. 17, 1848, died Aug. 22, 1902, at Mahomet. He was a native of New Jersey and when a mere lad removed to Illinois with his parents. In 1865, when but fifteen years of age, he enlisted in the 154th Illinois Infantry and served till the war of the rebellion ended. In 1872 Dr. Gardiner graduated from Rush Medical College and at once located at Ma-



DR. JOHN H. GARDINER, 1848-1902.

homet for the purpose of practicing his profession, and soon built up a good business. Dr. John H. Gardiner was a son of Dr. John D. Gardiner, late an octogenarian of Farmer City, but many years ago a Mahomet physician.

Dr. A. D. Gillum was born in Adams County, Illinois, August 29, 1846. He was educated in the common schools, and when a young man taught school. Studied medicine and later graduated from a Medical College at Keokuk, Iowa. Located at Sadorus in 1877 and practiced there till a few

weeks before his death that occurred June 25, 1890.

Dr. William Miles Goodwin was born in Ohio about 1825. Attended medical lectures at the Medical College of Ohio; came to Illinois and located first at St. Joseph, practiced there for a year when he changed his location to Urbana. At the latter place he formed a partnership with Dr. C. A. Thompson, which lasted till the latter entered the army in 1861. Dr. Goodwin had a large practice in Urbana during the sixties. He remained there in practice till about 1876 or 1877, when he removed to Kansas, where he died about 1898. Dr. Goodwin was a well posted man and a good practitioner of medicine.



DR. JOHN M. HADDEN, 1812-1892.

Dr. John M. Hadden was born in Pennsylvania in the year 1842. In the fall of 1861 he enlisted in the 67th Pennsylvania and served till the war ended four years later. At the battle of Winchester he was captured and for two months was confined in Libby Prison and Belle Isle. After the close of the war young Hadden entered upon the study of medicine and concluding that the west was a tempting field came to Illinois and in 1872 located at Seymour, where he soon built up a good practice that he yet attends to industriously.

Dr. Lyman Hall was born at Hancock, Massachusetts, February 12, 1818. Came west in early life and studied medicine in young manhood. He lived at La Salle for a long period and was mayor of that city for two years. During the civil war he for a time served as Assistant Surgeon of the 63rd Illinois Infantry. Meeting with some unexpected business losses not long after the war, Dr. Hall concluded to come to Champaign County. This he did in 1867, locating near Savoy. Here he carried on farming and practiced medicine for twenty years till 1887, when he removed to Champaign City, where he died February 11,

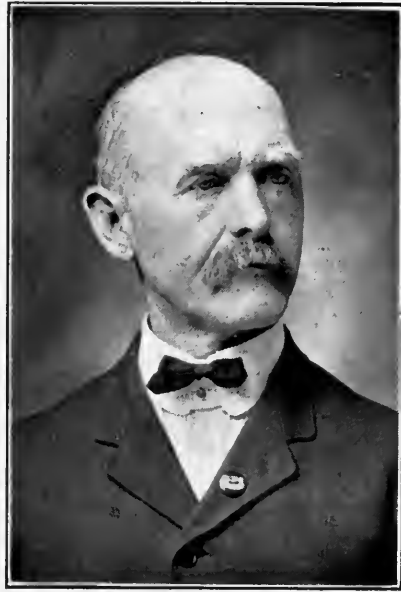


DR. LYMAN HALL, 1818-1892.

1892, lacking but one day of rounding out seventy-four years.

Dr. Abbie G. Hall was born in Felicity, Clairmont County, Ohio, and while yet a child removed to Champaign County in 1860. She acquired a good education in the public schools and for many years devoted her time to teaching. While serving in this capacity she was the author of two or three elementary school books. Late in the eighties she began the study of medicine and in 1895 graduated from Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago. Immediately after graduation she located in Champaign City, where she practiced medi-

cine till her death in September, 1898. At the time of her decease Dr. Hall was a member of the Medical Staff of the Julia F. Burnham Hospital.



DR. J. J. HANMORE.

Dr. J. J. Hanmore was born March 20, 1854, at Cambridge, Ind., and when a young child removed with his parents to a farm where his earlier days were spent doing farm work and attending the neighborhood schools.

Upon reaching young manhood he began the study of medicine, and entered the Kentucky School of Medicine from which he graduated in 1884. His first location was Landessville, Ind., where he

remained for a number of years. For a short period he also practiced at Marion, Ind. In 1898 he removed to Malden, Ill., where he was engaged in professional work till 1905, when he came to Urbana and has since been occupied in active practice.



DR. JAMES C. HARMON, 1840-1906.

Dr. James C. Harmon was born January 19, 1840, at Milton, Vermont. He grew up on a farm and got his education in the public schools. In 1862 he enlisted in the 13th Vermont, a regiment that was afterwards a part of General Stannard's celebrated brigade. This brigade had not a little to do in saving the day for the Union

Army in the third day's fight at Gettysburg, when Pickett's division made its terrible charge in a desperate effort at breaking the Union center. Dr. Harmon was at Gettysburg and saw much hard service during his three years in the Army of the Potomac.

Before enlisting Dr. Harmon had studied medicine for about a year. After leaving the army he resumed his studies and graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Vermont in 1866.

Next year he entered upon the practice of medicine and in 1874 removed to Rantoul, where he practiced till his death, Aug. 1, 1906. Dr. Harmon at the time of his decease, was a member of the Board of United States Surgeons of Champaign County for the Examination of Pensioners.

Recently a medical friend of Dr. Harmon said of him that "he had done more for humanity and less for himself than any one else he ever knew."

Dr. J. F. Harris was born March 31, 1852 in Spencer Co., Ind., where he grew up on a farm and obtained his preliminary education in the public schools. Upon reaching young manhood he entered upon the study of medicine and graduated from the Kentucky Medical College in 1877. He located for the practice of his profession at St. Anthony, Ind.,



DR. J. F. HARRIS.



DR. GEORGE W. HARTMAN,
1827-1881.

where he remained till 1883, when he removed to Ogden, Ill., where he has ever since been busy answering professional calls.

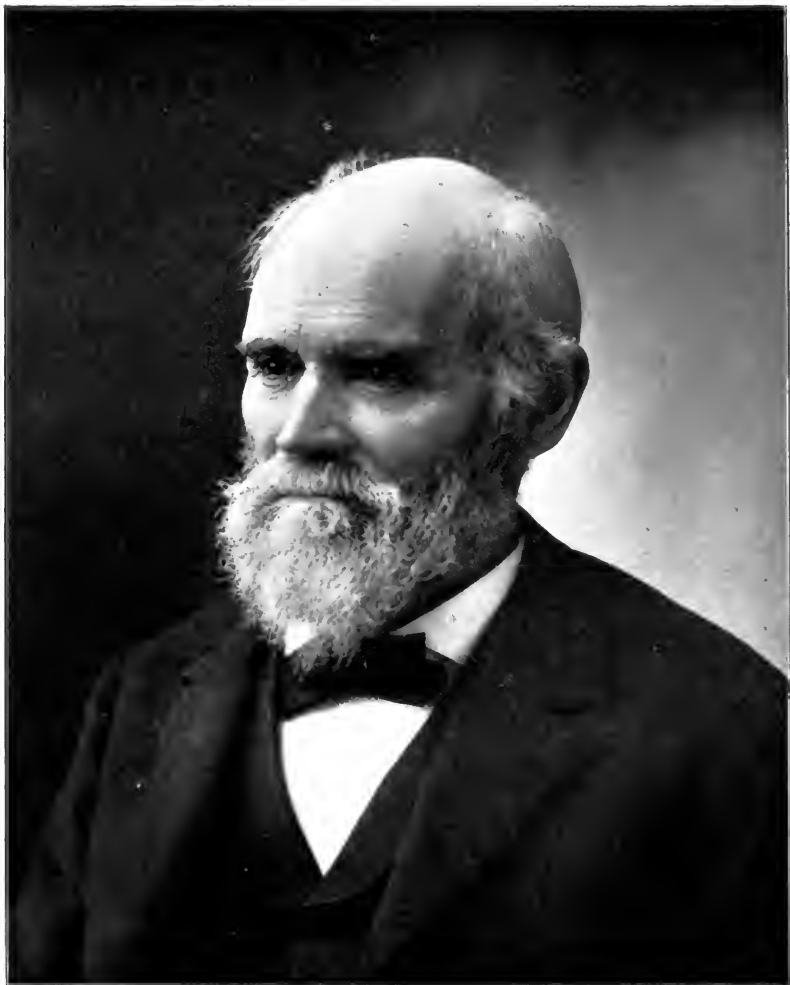
Dr. George W. Hartman was born in Davidson County, North Carolina, April 16, 1827. When but a child of four years George W. removed with his parents to Indiana and when but a mere boy he began the study of medicine and when twenty-one years of age entered upon its practice in Fountain County, Indiana. In 1853 he removed to Sidney, Ill., and for a period of about twenty-eight years thereafter he was kept busy with his large professional business.

Early in 1881 Dr. Hartman's

health began to fail and October 12 of that year he died. He was a genial, popular man and his death was greatly deplored by a large circle of friends and patrons.

Dr. C. C. Hawes. See Pioneer Doctors, Champaign Co.

Dr. Apollis R. Hess was born in Hendricks County, Indiana, February 15, 1840. He removed to Illinois when quite young with his parents and received his education in the common schools. He enlisted in the 71st Illinois Infantry and served till his time expired, and later joined the 137th Illinois Infantry, and served his



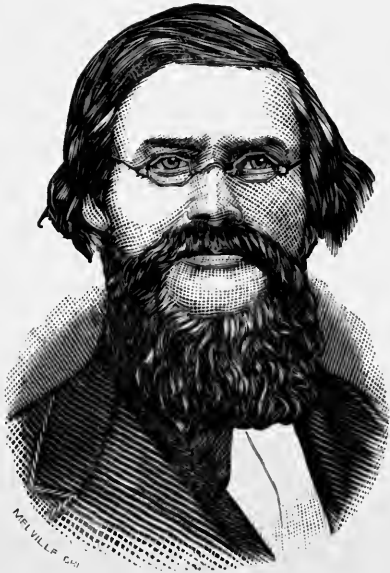
DR. HARTWELL C. HOWARD,

time out in that organization. After the war ended he turned his attention to the study of medicine and later graduated from the Medical College of Ohio, Cincinnati. About 1875 he located at Sidney and continued in practice there till a while before his death that occurred May 6, 1897.

Dr. Thomas M. Hess was born at New Albany, Indiana, September 22, 1819. Dr. Hess acquired his preliminary education in the common subscription schools of his boyhood days, but later had the advantages of a short course at a Seminary located at Charleston, Ind. For a time after reaching his majority he engaged in mercantile and other business pursuits, meanwhile, in the year 1840, he had removed to Westfield, Clark County, Illinois. Some years later he became interested in medicine and began its study. He took his first course of lectures at Starling Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, and in later years graduated at Rush Medical College, Chicago. In the spring of 1863 Dr. Hess located at Homer and for more than a quarter of a century thereafter was busy attending to the wants of the sick. Early in the eighties he removed to Berwick, Warren County, Illinois and practiced medicine there till his death a few years since.

Dr. Hess was a man of dignified bearing and for many years was a preacher of the Christian, or Campbellite, denomination. He had three sons who were physicians, Apollis, who practiced in Sidney, and Wm. H., who later located in Chicago, both of whom are dead, and Smith Hess, who is located in the west.

Dr. H. C. Howard was born at Gates (now within the city limits of Rochester), New York, July 12, 1829. When Dr. Howard was a lad of fourteen he removed with his father to Columbus, O., where he lived till young manhood, when he came to Leroy, McLean County, Illinois. He received his general education in the public schools of New York and Ohio, and his medical education at Starling Medical College, Columbus, from which he graduated in 1850. Dr. Howard began the practice of medicine in Champaign in 1855, fifty-four years ago. He is entitled to the honor of being one of the oldest men in Champaign county in the active practice of his profession, though Dr. S. S. Salisbury of Tolono, is his close second, as he is but ten days younger than Dr. Howard. Dr. Howard is local surgeon for the Wabash railroad and ex-president of the Staff of the Julia F. Burnham hospital.



DR. CHARLES A. HUNT, 1819-1863.

Dr. Charles A. Hunt was born at Trenton, New Jersey, April 15, 1819. His father died when Charles A. was but thirteen years of age and joining some friends the lad emigrated to Ohio, and ever after made his own way in the world. Notwithstanding his being thus thrown upon his own resources he succeeded in early acquiring a good English and classical education. He also studied medicine and graduated from the Medical College of Ohio in 1845. He came to Urbana in 1855 and for a time engaged in the drug business.

Upon the breaking out of the civil war in 1861 Dr. Hunt was commissioned Surgeon of the 126th Illinois Infantry.

His regiment participated in the memorable siege of Vicksburg, during which Dr. Hunt's duties in caring for the sick were most arduous and his location being at Haines' Bluff on the Yazoo involved especial exposure to malaria. The result was he fell seriously sick and died at his post of duty August 2, 1863, twenty-nine days after Vicksburg fell.

By those who knew him Dr. Hunt is spoken of in the highest terms. He is said to have been thoughtful, studious and a writer of no mean ability.

Dr. David Jennings was born in the state of Pennsylvania May 10, 1836, and removed to Ohio when sixteen years of age. He received his education in the common schools of Pennsylvania and Ohio, afterwards taught school, and meanwhile began the study of medicine. Early in the sixties he removed to Illinois and became a resident of Champaign County, from where he enlisted in the 2nd Illinois Cavalry and at the end of the war resumed his studies. Later he graduated from the St. Louis Medical College, St. Louis, Mo. In 1866 Dr. Jennings located at Old St. Joseph, but upon the building of what is now the Big Four railway, removed to New St. Joseph early in 1870, where he continued in practice till 1879, when he changed his location to Tolono. Two years later

he removed to Sidney. Meanwhile his health had been failing and in July, 1881, he died at Sidney. His remains were taken to the cemetery at Old St. Joseph for interment and there he lies buried in the midst of a farming community in which he had long practiced.



DR. CHARLES B. JOHNSON.

Dr. Charles B. Johnson was born on a farm near Pocahontas, Bond Co., Ill., Oct. 8, 1843. His boyhood days were divided between work on the farm in summer and attendance upon the public schools in winter. In 1862 he enlisted in the 130th Ill. Infantry and served till the close of the Civil War, three years later. About half his time he was a private sol-

dier and the remainder Hospital Steward of the regiment where his medical studies began. He is a graduate of the Medical College of Ohio, Cincinnati, and his first location was at Chatham, Sangamon Co., Ill. He has practiced his profession in Champaign County since 1871 and in Champaign City since 1879. He was a member of the Illinois State Board of Health for eight years and from 1899 to 1902 served as its president.

Dr. Samuel W. Kincaid was born July 15, 1823, and graduated in medicine from the Medical College of Ohio in 1853. He practiced medicine at Tolono for a time and in 1855 located at Champaign (then West Urbana) for the practice of his profession. Later he removed from Champaign, retired from active practice and died May 1, 1887. One of Dr. Kincaid's professional cards was shown the writer that was printed in 1855. Following is a copy.

S. W. KINCAID, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon,

West Urbana.

Office one door west
of the Doane house.

Dr. Edwin A. Kratz was born in Plumsteadville, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, July 12, 1844. He received his education in the pub-



DR. EDWIN A. KRATZ.

lie schools. He enlisted in the 198th Pennsylvania Infantry and saw much exceptionally hard service in Grant's closing campaign against Lee that brought the end of the war. Near Dinwiddie Court House Dr. Kratz was most seriously wounded by a musket ball that he received in his lungs and that passed through both arms. Not long after the war he took up the study of medicine and in 1869 graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania. Immediately after graduation he took up the practice of his profession at

Champaign. For many years Dr. Kratz has been United States Surgeon for Pensions and for a long period was Secretary of the Pension Board and in this capacity did most efficient service.

Dr. Kratz has held a number of important offices. For several terms he has represented his township on the Board of Supervisors and from 1894 to 1898 was County Treasurer. He is moreover prominent in Masonic circles.



DR. JOSEPH M. LAWSON.

Dr. Joseph M. Lawson was born in Armstrong Co., Penn., Apr. 1, 1858. He grew up on a farm and as leisure afforded attended the country schools, and

later Dayton Union College. Upon reaching young manhood he entered the office of his uncle Dr. Wesley Lawson at Homer, Ill., and began the study of medicine. He graduated in medicine at the University of Michigan in 1885 and the same year located at Sidney, Ill., where he has ever since been actively engaged in practice.



DR. A. M. LINDLEY.

Dr. A. M. Lindley was born in Tuscarawas Co. Ohio, Sept. 10, 1856 and while yet an infant removed with his parents to Urbana, Ill., where he received his preliminary education in the public schools. Subsequently he attended the University of Illinois and later entered the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery

from which he graduated in 1880. He at once became associated with his father in the practice of medicine at Urbana and has ever since been actively engaged in professional work.



DR. MAHLON LINDLEY.

Dr. Mahlon Lindley was born July 22, 1833, at Fredericktown, Ohio. In the spring of 1857 he located in Urbana and now, although entering on his fifty-second year of practice in Champaign County, is nearly as active as when he was forty years of age. Dr. Lindley is local surgeon for the Big Four railway, a position he has held since the building of that road forty years ago.

Dr. James H. Lyon. See Pioneer Doctors Champaign County.



DR. J. D. MANDEVILLE.

Dr. John D. Mandeville was born December 18, 1844, near the village of Ovid, Seneca County, New York. When fourteen years of age he removed with his parents to Champaign County, Illinois, where he has since resided. He attended the public schools and when older taught school. Upon the breaking out of the civil war he served for a time in the 67th Illinois Infantry; also was a soldier in the 133rd Illinois Infantry. After returning from the army Dr. Mandeville began the study of medicine and subse-

quently graduated at Rush Medical College, Chicago.

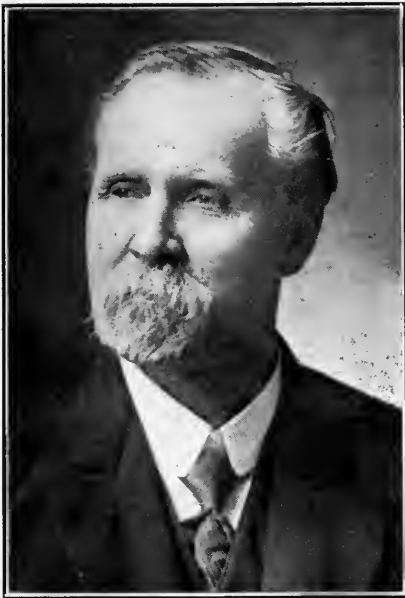
In March, 1868, he located at Philo and did a good business till he removed to Champaign in 1900, lacking but one year of rounding out a third of a century where he first began to respond to sick calls. Dr. Mandeville is now a resident of Champaign and is actively engaged in the practice of his profession. For some time he has affiliated with the Prohibition party and in 1898 was that party's candidate for state senator.



DR. JOHN MARTEN.

Dr. John Marten was born at Carbondale, Ill., April 3, 1857. Received his preliminary education in the public schools and at the Southern State Normal Uni-

versity, Carbondale, from which he graduated in 1883. For a considerable period he devoted himself to teaching and during this time filled a number of important and responsible educational positions. Meanwhile he became an earnest student of entomology and for a number of years was assistant in this Department to Prof. S. A. Forbes at the University of Illinois. Later he entered upon the study of medicine and graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago, 1897. The same year he located at Tolono, Ill., where he has ever since been actively engaged professionally.



DR. CHARLES W. MARTINIE.

Dr. Charles W. Martinie was born Nov. 7, 1847 in Henry County, Kentucky. He passed his early boyhood days working on his father's farm and attending the neighborhood schools. He began the study of medicine with his uncle, Dr. C. E. Triplitte of Morocco, Ind., and during the winter of 1869-70 attended his first course of lectures at Rush Medical College, Chicago. In 1870 he located at Palermo, Ill., and practiced his profession there till the fall of 1873, when he went to Cincinnati and matriculated at Miami College from which he graduated in the spring of 1874. He returned to Palermo and continued busy in professional work in that locality till 1892 when he removed to Lincoln, Ill., where he engaged in practice till 1896 when he changed his location to Urbana, Ill., where he now resides and practices his profession when it suits his convenience. Dr. Martinie owns a large body of land in the heart of the Illinois corn belt.

Dr. Clarence B. McClelland was born in Decatur March 24, 1862, where he received his preliminary education and grew to manhood. He studied medicine and graduated from Rush Medical College in 1887. He was in general practice for a time, after which he took special courses in Chicago and New York. In 1896 he located in Champaign and

made a specialty of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat.

He at once entered upon an excellent business, which continued till his health failed. In the latter part of 1898 his condition became serious and in March, 1899, he died, regretted by all who knew him.

Dr. Daniel P. McClure was born in Washington County, Pennsylvania, August 28, 1837. He came of Scotch ancestry and got his preliminary education in the common schools and at Hayesville Academy. He began the study of medicine in 1859 and in 1861 entered the army as Assistant Surgeon of the 64th Ohio Infantry. His regiment was at Shiloh, Stone River, Mission Ridge, Chickamauga, Chattanooga and many other engagements.

Dr. McClure graduated from the Charity Hospital Medical College, Cleveland, Ohio, in 1867. The same year he came to Illinois, located in Champaign City for two years and then removed to Kantoul in 1869, where he practiced for about eighteen years, when his health gave way and he was obliged to try a change of climate. He went to West Point, Miss., and remained there four or five years and finally died in the early nineties. Dr. McClure was the preceptor of Dr. D. A. K. Steele, a well known Chicago Surgeon and

a Champaign County boy, who is Professor of Surgery in the Medical Department of the University of Illinois.



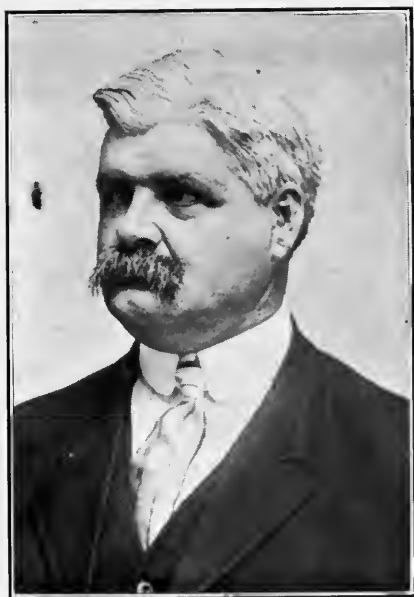
DR. D. R. MCKINNEY, 1837-1903.

Dr. D. R. McKinney was born at Piqua, Ohio, April 15, 1837, and obtained his education in the common schools; in September, 1863, he enlisted in the 9th Indiana Cavalry and served till the end of the war. Upon leaving the army he turned his attention to medicine and attended lectures at Miami Medical College, Cincinnati. Later he graduated from Indiana Medical College, Indianapolis.

In 1868 he located in the north-

eastern part of Champaign County, at Burr Oak Grove, and here continued in practice till 1877, when he removed his office to Gifford, then a newly located railway station. Dr. McKinney remained in active practice at Gifford for about twenty years, when failing health induced him to remove to Indiana, where later he was honored with the Presidency of the Delaware County Medical Society; and also was a member of the Muncie, Indiana Board of United States Surgeons for Pension Examinations. His death occurred Sept. 28, 1903, Champaign.

Indiana, and removed with his parents to Champaign Co. Ill., in 1868. He received his education in the common schools, the Urbana High School and Ill. State Normal School. For a time he taught school and later began the study of medicine in the office of his father, Dr. D. R. McKinney. In 1883 he graduated from Indiana Medical College and some years later took a post-graduate course in the medical department of the Northwestern University. In 1883 he located at Gifford, Ill., and has ever since been in active practice at that place.



DR. THOMAS J. McKINNEY.

Dr. T. J. McKinney was born Nov. 29, 1859, in Delaware, Co.,

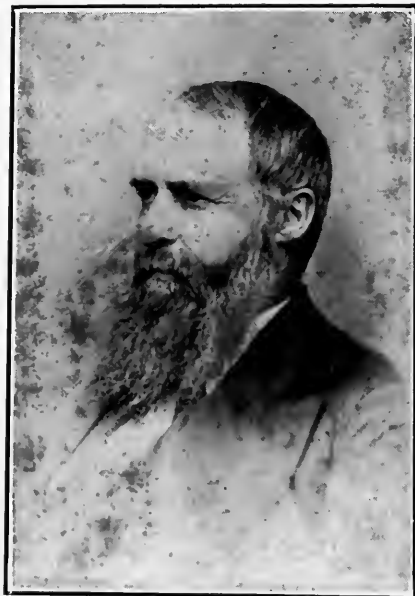


DR. JOSEPH T. MILLER.

Nestor of the Medical Profession in Champaign County.

Dr. Joseph T. Miller was born in Butler County, Ohio, February 5, 1830. While Dr. Miller was a child his father removed to Indiana and followed the life of a farmer. Young Miller worked on the farm and attended the country schools till he was eighteen years of age, when for a time he attended Wabash College. Afterward he taught school and meantime began the study of medicine. Later he graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago. Dr. Miller located in Urbana in 1853 and has been in continuous practice in Champaign County longer than any other physician and is consequently our Medical Nestor. He was at one time mayor of Urbana. During the civil war he was surgeon of the 60th Ill. Infantry with the rank of major.

Dr. Charles H. Mills was born at Dumberton, New Hampshire, August 12, 1824. When fourteen years of age he removed with his parents to Michigan, where till he was twenty-one years of age his time was divided between working on the farm and attending school. He afterwards attended the University of Michigan for a time and in 1851 graduated from Cleveland Medical College. He came to Illinois in 1854 and located in Urbana, where he practiced medicine till the autumn of 1856, when he removed to Champaign, then



DR. CHARLES M. MILLS, 1823-1897.

West Urbana, opened an office and began answering calls.

In September, 1862, he joined the army as Assistant Surgeon of the 125th Illinois Infantry. In a little time he was promoted to Surgeon's place in the regiment with the rank of Major. He served till the end of the war in 1865. In the winter of 1864 he received a medical degree from the University of Nashville.

Dr. Mills died of angina pectoris July 6, 1907.

Dr. Ellen Miner was born on a farm in Hensley Township, Champaign County, Illinois, where she



DR. ELLEN MINER.

grew to young womanhood and meanwhile acquired her preliminary education in the public schools. In 1893 she graduated from the Medical Department of Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, and for a number of years has been actively engaged professionally at her home in Champaign City.

Dr. John M. Minturn was born in Kentucky in 1849 and graduated from the College of Medicine and Surgery, Cincinnati, in 1884. He located in Rantoul in 1884 and practiced medicine there till his health gave way in 1890. In 1893 he died at the home of his child-

hood in Kentucky. Dr. Minturn was a member of the Champaign County Board of United States Surgeons for Pensions Examination from 1885 till 1889.

Dr. Benjamin G. Morris located at Urbana in an early day, later removed to Philo, and was the first doctor in that place. He, however, did not remain in active practice long. His death occurred at Philo in September, 1879. The place and date of his birth can not be given. He is said to have been a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. James E. Morrison was born in Buffalo, New York, July 4, 1834, and when a small boy removed with his parents to northern Illinois where he grew to manhood. He got his preliminary education in the common schools and at Knox College. When a young man he began the study of medicine and later graduated from Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago. Dr. Morrison practiced at Paxton, Ill., a number of years and in 1880 removed to Urbana, where he is yet in practice.

Dr. Philip C. Mosier was born December 31, 1827, in Harrison County, Indiana. In his boyhood he worked on the farm and attended the primary subscription schools that were taught in the log cabins that served in that day as school houses.



DR. PHILLIP C. MOSIER, 1827-1900.

When eighteen years of age he taught school and a little later began the study of medicine. After studying for a due period he began the practice of medicine in Milford, Indiana, but at the expiration of two years removed to Illinois. He

arrived at Homer, Champaign County, April 15, 1851, and at once entered upon the practice of his profession.

Dr. Mosier obtained his money for equipping himself to begin the practice by teaching school. In

the middle of the Nineteenth Century teachers were poorly paid and drugs and instruments were high. Quinine was five dollars per ounce and opium eight dollars a pound. Dr. Mosier's work was laborious in the extreme. Long rides, unbridged streams, hardships of every kind and little ready money among his patrons. But Dr. Mosier was hardheaded enough to see that the black, rich loam of Champaign County was in reality a mine of wealth and by some means managed to get hold of four hundred acres in Homer Township. Upon this he planted orchards and made other needed improvements.

This farm and other business matters began to need so much of his attention that in 1859 he retired from practice. His business venture prospered and in 1900 Dr. Mosier died a wealthy man.

Dr. W. K. Newcomb was born in Lyons, Iowa, April 6, 1857, and obtained his preliminary education in the Public Schools and at Gem City College, Quincy, Illinois. After teaching for a time he entered the office of Dr. W. G. Cochrane, Farmer City, Ill., and began the study of medicine. Later he matriculated at Rush Medical College, Chicago, from which he received the degree of M. D. in 1882. Soon after he located at Fisher, Ill., where he did a laborious country practice till 1896, when he



DR. W. K. NEWCOMB.

went abroad for a season and returning home removed to Champaign City, opened an office and soon became actively engaged in professional work and is so occupied today. For a number of years Dr. Newcomb has faithfully represented the profession in his vicinity by serving as councilor of the 8th District of the Illinois State Medical Society.

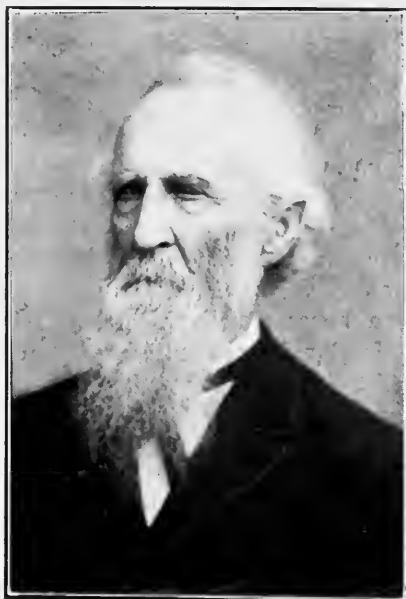
Dr. John North was born in the year 1841 in Coshocton County, Ohio. He was a well educated man and a graduate in medicine, but from what college cannot now be learned.

Upon the breaking out of the

civil war he enlisted as a private, but in what regiment is not known. Later he was promoted to a Lieutenant.

Towards the close of his army service he acted as Hospital Inspector, and Captain.

This service was the real beginning of his professional career. He located in Rantoul in 1865 and practiced there till 1873, when he removed west. In 1893 he returned to Rantoul and soon after died in that village.



DR. SAMUEL K. PAGE, 1810-1893

Dr. Samuel K. Page was born in New Hampshire in 1810, was a student of Dr. Reuben D. Mussey, the noted surgeon. Dr. Page

came to Champaign in 1857 and very soon after entered upon a laborious practice. Some twenty-five years later he retired from active practice and in 1893 died in Champaign at the advanced age of 83 years. Dr. Page was a genial, pleasant man and a good practical physician, whose kind words and good deeds are cherished remembrances of his old patrons.



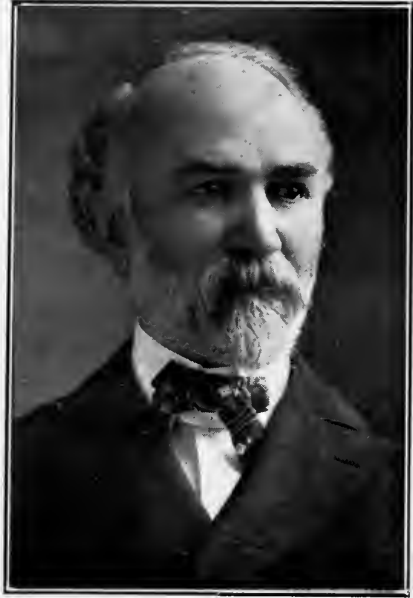
DR. JOHN T. PEARMAN, 1829-1896.

Dr. John T. Pearman was born October 26, 1829, in Hardin County, Kentucky. He grew to manhood on the farm and obtained his education attending the winter schools. Upon reaching young manhood he came to Illinois and

for a time taught school. Later he began the study of medicine and in 1858 graduated from Rush Medical College. His first location for practice was in Edgar County, Illinois, but in 1864 he removed to Champaign City, where he was in active practice till his health failed in the latter part of the year 1895. May 26, 1896, Dr. Pearman died, regretted by a large circle of admiring friends and appreciative patrons.

Dr. Pearman was a man of exceptionally fine social qualities and filled several important positions. For many years he was the Champaign Division Surgeon for the Illinois Central railway; for a time was a member of the Champaign County Board of United States Surgeons for Pension Examinations; was for six years a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, and also was for a very long period a member of the Champaign Board of Education.

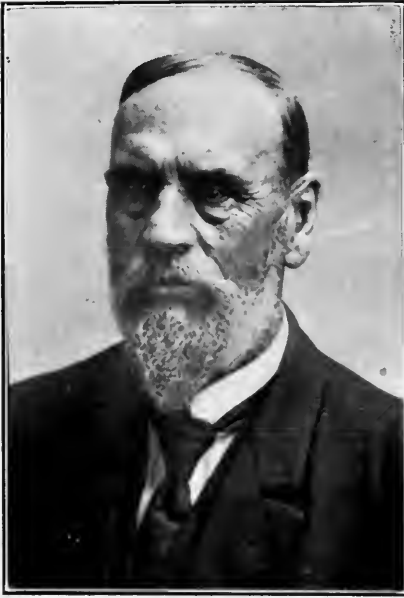
Dr. J. L. Polk was born at Bridgeville, Del., Nov. 23, 1841. Obtained his preliminary education in the common schools and at Milton Academy. Upon reaching manhood began the study of medicine and graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1868 and for a time was interne in Blockley Hospital. He began the practice of medicine at Arcola, Ill., in 1868, where for many years he continued



DR. JOHN L. POLK.

to be actively engaged professionally. He is now a resident of Champaign City.

Dr. J. T. Purcell was born in Sardinia, Ohio, September 22, 1844, and received his education in the common schools of his native state. October 15, 1861, he enlisted in the 11th Ohio Cavalry, in which organization he served till discharged, July 14, 1866, five years and nine months later, completing, it is believed, the longest volunteer service of any present resident of Champaign County who gave his services through the civil war. Began the study of medicine by attendance upon lec-



DR. J. T. PURCELL.

tures at Ohio Medical College, Cincinnati, and later graduated from Indiana Medical College, Indianapolis. In 1869 began practice in Indiana, and in March, 1877, came to Illinois and located at St. Joseph, where he has since been doing a large, laborious practice.

Dr. George T. Rowland was born Dec. 31, 1852, in the City of Louisville, Ky., and received his education in the public schools and at the Xaverian Brothers School, Louisville. Upon reaching young manhood he began the study of medicine and graduated from the Louisville Medical College in

1876. First practiced his profession in Missouri. In 1881 removed to Homer, Champaign County, where he was busy professionally till 1898, when he changed his location to Martinsville, Ill., where he is now in practice.

Dr. John S. Saddler. See Pioneer Doctors, Champaign Co.



DR. SAMUEL SCOTT SALISBURY.

Dr. S. S. Salisbury of Tolono was born near Georgetown, Brown County, Ohio, July 22, 1829. After graduating in medicine from Cleveland Medical College he practiced medicine a few years in his own state. But, thinking the West might afford better opportunities for a young man, he, in

1861, came to Champaign County and located in Tolono, where he is yet doing an active, laborious practice. As said elsewhere he is but ten days younger than Dr. Howard and like the latter is one of the oldest physicians in the county that assiduously attends to the details of practice.



DR. HOMER A. SHAW.

Dr. Homer A. Shaw was born in Lancaster, Ohio, Nov. 26, 1827. Was educated in the common schools and academy. He studied Latin, German and other higher branches of learning. Upon reaching young manhood began the study of medicine and received the degree of M. D. from Starling Medcial College, Columbus, Ohio,

in 1852 and located at Lancaster, Ohio. Upon the breaking out of the civil war became assistant surgeon of the 10th Ohio Infantry, wherein he served till 1864 when he was made acting staff surgeon, U. S. A., and had charge of a field hospital. In 1866 he located at Homer, Ill., for the practice of his profession and has been so engaged ever since.

Dr. R. W. Shumaker was born in Kanawha County, West Virginia, May 22, 1825. Studied medicine and graduated from Cleveland Medical College. Was the first physician to come to Champaign City and located there in the fall of 1854. Remained there in practice till the fall of 1857, when he moved away. During the civil war he was connected with a hospital in Louisville, Kentucky, but whether in the capacity of a civil or military surgeon is not known. Dr. Shumaker died at Louisville in 1864.

Dr. William B. Sims was born in Blount County, Tennessee, April 14, 1836. When but four years of age his parents removed to Edgar County, Illinois. Young Sims worked on the farm and attended the common school till he was thirteen years of age when he learned the shoemaker's trade, which he followed industriously for fifteen years. Upon the breaking out of the war he left the

shoemaker's bench and enlisted in the 4th Illinois Cavalry. He began the study of medicine in 1866 and subsequently graduated at Louisville Medical College. He located at St. Joseph in the spring of 1870 and was engaged in practice there till 1883, when he removed to Urbana, where he yet lives.

Dr. John W. Scroggs was born March 12, 1817 in Harrison County, Ohio. When but ten years of age his mother died and in consequence the family was scattered and young Scroggs was thrown on his own resources when very young. He divided his time between work on the farm and attendance upon the subscription schools of the period. He became interested in medicine, studied that science and finally graduated in medicine at Cincinnati about 1840 and in the same year began practice at Wilmington, Ohio. In 1857 he located at Champaign, where for a time he engaged in practice, but later quit it for other pursuits. He was at one time proprietor of the Central Illinois Gazette, predecessor of The Champaign Gazette. In 1868 Dr. Scroggs was elected to the Illinois Legislature and served one term. He did his part in getting the University of Illinois located in Champaign County and by Governor Oglesby was appointed one of its trustees. In 1871 Dr.

Scroggs began to suffer with symptoms of paralysis and two years later December 25, 1873, had an apoplectic stroke from which he died January 3, 1874.



DR. ELIJAH S. SMITH.

Elijah S. Smith was born near Bloomington, Ind., March 18, 1856, and while in his early teens removed with his parents to a farm near Charleston, Ill. His early years were divided between farm work and attendance at the nearby country school. Later he attended Lee's Academy at Loxa, Ill., and finally became a student at the University of Illinois. For seventeen years of his life he taught school, and during this

period became the recipient of a life-certificate from the Illinois State Educational Authorities, and moreover filled a number of important and responsible positions in his chosen profession. But notwithstanding his success in teaching he finally turned to medicine and in 1893 entered the Chicago Homeopathic College, from which he graduated in 1896. Soon after graduation he located for the practice of his profession in Urbana and has ever since been actively engaged in professional work in that city.

W. H. Stevens. See Pioneer Doctors Champaign Co.

Dr. Charles A. Thompson was born March 27, 1824, at Sandusky, Ohio. When very young he removed with his parents to Michigan where he grew up on a farm. At the age of 21 he began the study of medicine and in 1849 graduated from a Medical College at La Porte, Ind. After practicing a few years elsewhere he located at Urbana in 1856 and was there busy in practice when the civil war broke out in April 1861. He at once entered the service as Assistant Surgeon of the 25th Illinois Infantry. In November he was transferred to the 13th Illinois Infantry, in which organization he served as Assistant Surgeon till its term of service expired, when Dr. Thompson was given the Surgeon's place in the 90th Illinois Infantry. He served during the whole period of the war.

After the war Dr. Thompson located in Jefferson City, Mo., where he for many years had a large practice. For perhaps a quarter of a century Dr. Thompson was a zealous member of the Missouri State Medical Association and for the period of sixteen years was its Treasurer. For many years he was the local Surgeon of the Missouri Pacific, and also for a time was a member of the local Board of United States Surgeons for



DR. WINSTON SOMERS, 1800-1871.

Dr. Winston Somers. See Pioneer Doctors Champaign Co.

Pension Examinations. Dr. Thompson died at his home in Jefferson City, Mo., December 15, 1897, in his seventy-fourth year.

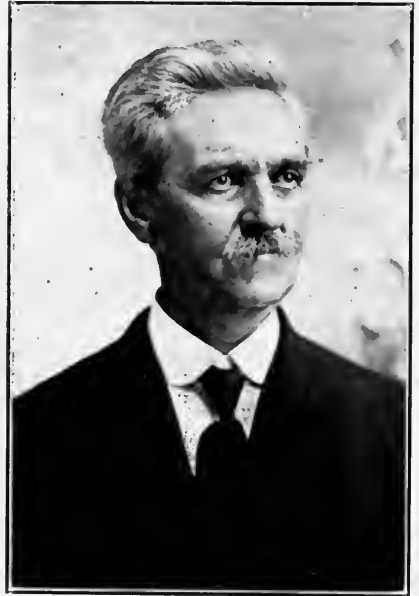
came actively engaged in professional duties. In 1900 he removed to Urbana and opened an office there and has since been busy in practice.



DR. C. L. VANDOREN.

Dr. C. L. VanDoren was born at Farmington, Ill., May 21, 1857.

His boyhood days were divided between farm work and attendance at the neighborhood schools. Upon reaching manhood he determined to make medicine his life vocation and with this end in view entered Bennett Medical College, Chicago, from which he graduated in 1881. Immediately upon completing his medical education Dr. Van Doren located at Hope, Vermilion Co., Ill., where he soon be-



DR. T. E. WALKER.

Dr. T. E. Walker was born August 1, 1845, in Boone Co., Ind. His early days were divided between farm work and attendance upon the neighborhood schools. Later he went to Butler University, Indianapolis and finally decided to make medicine his life business. He graduated from Indiana Medical School in 1880 and for two years practiced medicine in his native State. In 1880 he located at Penfield, Ill., where he remained in

practice two years, when he removed to Gifford, Ill., where he has ever since been actively engaged in professional work.

Springfield, Ill., and is now following professional work there.



DR. CARRIE N. WHITE.

Dr. Carrie N. White was born at New Albany, Indiana, and obtained her preliminary education in the public schools and at Jacksonville College, Jacksonville, Ill. Upon arriving at the age of young womanhood she entered upon the study of medicine and graduated from the Woman's Medical College, Chicago, in 1883. With her husband, Dr. J. E. White, she located in Urbana in 1888, where she remained in practice till 1900 when she removed with him to



DR. J. E. WHITE.

Dr. J. E. White was born at Logan, Ohio, in 1854 and obtained his preliminary education in the public schools. After attaining manhood he entered upon the study of medicine and graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago, in 1883.

Early in his professional career Dr. White located in Urbana, Ill., where he continued in practice till 1906 when he removed to Springfield, Ill., where he has since been in practice. He now holds the position of Supreme Medical Director of the Court of Honor.



DR. Z. T. WHITMIRE, 1868-1900.

Dr. Z. T. Whitmire was born in Metamora, Ill., about 1866, and obtained his education in the common schools and University of Illinois, from which he graduated in due time.

He entered upon the study of medicine soon after completing his preliminary education and received his M. D. degree from Rush Medical College, Chicago, in 1890. The same year he located for the practice of his profession at Tolono, Ill., remained there two years and then removed to Urbana, where he re-

mained till his death which occurred in December, 1899.

Dr. L. S. Wilcox was born in Lacon, Illinois, in the year 1847. In boyhood he worked on a farm and attended the common schools and later graduated from the Northwestern University. He took up the study of medicine and in 1873 graduated from Long Island Medical College, Brooklyn. He located in Champaign in 1875 and very soon had a good practice, which he kept for about fifteen years, when President Harrison appointed him Revenue Collector for the Springfield District, a position he held for four years. In 1897 he was appointed Consul at Hankow, China, by President McKinley. While a resident of Champaign Dr. Wilcox was several times Supervisor of the Township and served as Mayor of Champaign City two or three terms.

Dr. Wilcox is now living in retirement at Los Angeles, California.

While none of the following are physicians, they have all to a greater or less extent been associated with medical work in Champaign County.

Thomas J. Burrill, LL. D., Ph. D., was born April 25, 1839, at



DR. LEVI S. WILCOX.



JONATHAN T. BURRILL,
Ph. D., LL. D.

Pittsfield, Mass. Received his preliminary education at the Illinois Normal School from which he graduated in 1865. He has been connected with the University of Illinois since its organization, is now its Vice President and served as acting President from 1901 and 1904 and fills the chair of Botany and Horticulture. Has made a special study of diseases of plants and as a Scientist has an international reputation. Is a member of several scientific societies in America and Europe. Dr. Burrill is an honorary member of the Campaign County Medical Society and has done not a little in sanitation.

John Milton Gregory, Ph. D., LL. D., was born at Sand Lake, Rensselaer Co., N. Y., July 6, 1822. Graduated from Union College in 1846. After two years' study of law, studied theology and for a number of years was pastor of a Baptist church. In 1858 was elected State Superintendent of Instruction of Michigan, and in 1863 became President of Kalamazoo College, Michigan. In 1867 was elected Regent of Illinois Industrial University (later University of Illinois.) He served as this Institution's Regent (President) till 1885 and more than all others shaped and moulded the school that it might grow into its present proud position. In 1877 Governor Cullom appointed Dr. Gregory a member of the Illinois State Board of Health at the date of its organization. During his membership he was elected President of the Board and by his ready pen and forceful speech did much to start the Board of Health along right lines. From 1882 to 1885 he was a member of the Civil Service Commission under President Arthur.

Dr. Gregory died October 20, 1898, and by his request was buried on the campus of the University of Illinois.

Stephen A. Forbes, LL. D., Ph. D., was born May 29, 1844, at Silver Creek, Ill. Obtained his



JOHN MILTON GREGORY. Ph. D., LL. D.



STEPHEN A. FORBES. Ph. D., LL. D.

preliminary education in the public schools, Beloit College and Rush Medical College. Dr. Forbes is a Scientist of international reputation and is a member of a number of Scientific Societies both at home and abroad. For many years he has been Illinois State Entomologist and is now Director of the State Laboratory of Natural History. For a number of years he served as Dean of the College of Science, University of Illinois, and in this institution fills the chair of Zoology and Entomology. He is an honorary member of the Champaign County Medical Society.



MISS FRANCES NORTH,
Superintendent Julia F. Burnham
Hospital.

Miss Frances North was born at Edgewood, Effingham County, Illinois, and when eleven years of age removed with her parents to Sparta, Michigan, where she grew to young womanhood, meanwhile obtaining her education in the common schools. In 1891 she entered the Training School for Nurses at Grace Hospital, Detroit, Mich., from which she graduated in 1893. After following her profession for a time in Michigan, she came to Champaign, Ill., where in 1896 she entered the Julia F. Burnham Hospital, in which for many years she has rendered most efficient service as Superintendent.

THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

With the coming of the Illinois Central and Wabash Railways in the early fifties, the population of Champaign County increased rapidly. And with the increase of population came more doctors, enough in fact, to a little later justify the formation of a Medical Society.

At this late day it is not possible to give the names of all the doctors in attendance upon its first meeting. But among those present were Drs. H. C. Howard and C. H. Mills of Champaign and Dr. J. T. Miller of Urbana. It is a matter for congratulation that two of these men are yet with us, and well preserved in hearty old age.

In 1860, the year following its organization, the Society published in pamphlet form its constitution, together with the Code of Ethics of the American Medical Association. A copy of this publication, the property of Dr. E. A. Kratz, dim, faded and yellow with age, is before the writer of these pages.

Quoting from this old pamphlet we find that Article II of the Constitution declares: "The objects contemplated by this Association are: 1, The establishment and maintenance of union, harmony and good government

among its members, thereby promoting the character, interest, honor and usefulness of the profession. II. The cultivation and advancement of medical science and literature by the collection, diffusion, interchange, preservation and general circulation of medical knowledge among its members."

Article VI, Section I, of the constitution declares that, "Any member who shall be guilty of gross misconduct, either as a member of this association or citizen of the community, and shall be palpably derelict in duty, either as a member or officer shall be liable to expulsion, or such other censure as the society may direct."

Following is the published list of members in 1860:

S. L. Bearse.
Robert H. Brown.
A. Jackson Crane.
Wm. M. Goodwin.
H. C. Howard.
John F. Isom.
S. W. Kincaid.
J. T. Miller.
C. H. Mills.
Samuel K. Page.
Winston Somers.
John Swain.
M. B. Thompson.
C. A. Thompson.

Thus the Champaign County Medical Society entered on its career of usefulness fifty years ago; and earnestly sought to bring about "The establishment of union, harmony and good government among its members," and "the cultivation and advancement of medical science and literature by the collection, diffusion, interchange, preservation and general circulation of medical knowledge among its members."

That these most desirable objects have, at least to a degree, been attained, no one familiar with the workings of this society will question.

With the history of the Champaign County Medical Society during the first fifteen years of its existence, the writer knows nothing only what he has gleaned from its records and conversation with the pioneer members. But of its work since, he can speak with some authority; for more than a third of a century he has had the privilege of being one of its members, and for about ten years served as its secretary. Some one has said that the secretary of a medical society is the society. This is strong language, nevertheless a secretary has very much to do in making a medical society a success, or the reverse.

In 1874, Dr. M. S. Brown was secretary of the society and did his work especially well. In a

year or two he was succeeded by Dr. L. S. Wilcox, who filled the place acceptably for several years. The last half of the seventies was a most prosperous period for the society and the men who at that time might be referred to as its pillars were Drs. Wm. M. Goodwin, M. S. Brown and S. H. Birney of Urbana; Drs. H. C. Howard and J. T. Pearman of Champaign; Dr. A. T. Darrah of Tolono; Drs. Jas. Core and T. M. Hess of Homer; Dr. G. W. Hartman of Sidney and Dr. David Jennings of St. Joseph. The meetings occurred monthly and the society was "on wheels," as one of the members expressed it: That is, meetings were held at various towns in the County. Besides Champaign and Urbana it met in Tolono, Philo, Sidney, Homer, Rantoul, etc. At most of these meetings some hospitable member threw open his doors, especially the one that led to the dining room, where would be found a table literally groaning under its weight of good things from which every doctor was expected to feast heartily. The social features of these meetings added not a little to the attendance and interest. Frequently three sessions were held, namely, a forenoon, an afternoon and an evening session. The papers read were carefully prepared and never failed to call out full and animated discussions.

Almost to a man the older members of the society were at this time good off hand talkers and what the younger members may have lacked in this direction they sought to, in a measure, make up by preparing carefully written papers.

An edition of the constitution and by-laws published at this period shows a list of twenty-three members. And as an illustration of the mutations of time it is interesting to note that of these twenty-three doctors thirteen are dead, three have moved out of the County, and one, strange to say, has grown rich, but not in the practice of medicine, as many years ago he changed his calling. He is to-day a farmer and stock raiser on an extensive scale and can count his cattle on a thousand hills—corn hills. And only six of the above named twenty-three members are left in Champaign County to practice medicine.

With the advent of the eighties the society passed into a period when not much interest was taken in its meetings. Several causes conduced to this state of relative apathy. One was the fact that several of the old "wheel horses" so to speak, were lost to the society by death or removal from the county. But the organization was faithfully kept up and not long after the advent of the nineties the society received a new impetus

and entered upon the highly prosperous career that for about twenty years past it has been enjoying. One reason for this renewed life is the fact that a great many bright, active, new men have come into the County. The meetings of the Champaign County Medical Society occur near the middle of each month, are well attended and much interest is manifested in them by those in attendance. Two or three papers are presented at each session and these unfailingly draw out free discussions.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

In May, 1899, the Champaign County Medical Society celebrated its fortieth Anniversary by a Banquet at the Beardsley in Champaign. Drs. C. H. Mills and H. C. Howard (Dr. J. T. Miller unable to attend,) representatives of the founders of the society, were the guests of honor. Thirty-six sat down to the table.

Following is a copy of the toasts on this occasion:

Our Society: Its Home and Its Founders.

Dr. Chas. B. Johnson.

"They builded better than they knew."

Our Society: Its Beginning.

Dr. C. H. Mills. (One of the founders.)

"There were giants in those days."

Our Society: Its Beginning and
the Pioneer.

Physicians of Champaign Coun-
ty.

Dr. H. C. Howard.

"In ancient days they used to
praise,

The God-like art of healing—
An art that then engaged all men
Possessed of sense and feeling."

Our Society: In Days Gone By.

Dr. M. S. Brown.

"There are no days like the good
old days—

The days when we were youth-
ful;

When human-kind were pure
mind,

And speech and deeds were
truthful."

Our Dead.

Dr. J. D. Mandeville.

"Out yonder in the moonlight,
wherein God's acre lies,

Go Angels walking to and fro,
singing their lullabies.

Sleep, oh sleep!

The shepherd guardeth his
sheep:

Fast speedeth the night away,

Soon cometh the glorious day:

Sleep, weary ones, while ye
may—

Sleep, oh sleep."

The Country Doctor.

Dr. D. R. Brower.

"But though he sees death and
disease

Run riot all around him,

Patient and true and valorous too,
Such have I always found him."

The City Doctor.

Dr. W. H. Graham.

How blest is he who knows no
cleaner strife

Than art's long battle with the
foes of life!

No doubt assails him, doing still
his best

And trusting kindly nature for
the rest.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

The Doctor in Literature.

Dr. O. B. Will.

"A heap, indeed of what we read
By doctors is provided

For to those groves Apollo loves
His learning is decided."

The Medical Man as Seen

Through the Eyes of a Lawyer.

Col. J. S. Wolfe.

"Upon an average twice a week,
When anguish clouds my brow,

My good physician friend I seek
To know what ails me now."

When the toasts had all been
given, certificates of life member-
ship were conferred upon the fol-

lowing gentlemen, who had belonged to the Champaign County Medical Society twenty-five years or more:

- Dr. M. S. Brown,
- Dr. H. C. Howard,
- Dr. C. B. Johnson,
- Dr. E. A. Kratz,
- Dr. J. D. Mandeville,
- Dr. D. R. McKinney,
- Dr. C. H. Mills,
- Dr. J. T. Miller.

“So we dream and dream of the good old times,
 And our hearts grow tenderer,
 fonder,
 As those dear old dreams bring soothing gleams
 Of Heaven away off yonder.”

Following is a list of members in 1899: James M. Bartholow, W. F. Bures, T. J. Burrill (honorary), W. B. Dillon, J. T. Miller, H. W. Miller, C. N. White, and J. E. White, Urbana; C. M. Craig, H. E. Cushing, J. C. Dodds, J. H. Finch, J. A. Fullenwider, W. L. Gray, H. C. Howard, C. B. Johnson, E. A. Kratz, J. D. Mandeville, C. H. Mills, Ellen Miner, W. K. Newcomb, J. O. Pearman, F. H. Powers, Charles Spears, R. D. Shurtz, S. W. Shurtz, W. L. Schowengerdt and A. S. Wall, Champaign; J. C. Harmon, John Laughlin and J. S. Mason, Rantoul; H. E. Dunlap, John Marten, and S. S. Salisbury, Tolono; J. M.

Hadden, Seymour; J. A. Hoffman and Z. E. Matheny, Pesotum; T. E. Walker and T. J. McKinney, Gifford; J. T. Purcell, St. Joseph; John H. Gardiner, Mahomet; J. W. Turner and G. L. Williamson, Homer; S. J. Hicks, Ivesdale; L. O. Sale and R. P. Dowd, Fisher; E. H. Kinchelow, Sidney; J. V. Champion, Mansfield; W. F. Matson, Monticello; D. R. McKinney, Oaksville, Ind.; M. S. Brown, Danville; L. S. Wilcox, Hankow, China.

Of the above, Dr. T. J. Burrill is an honorary member. And Drs. Brown, Howard, Johnson, Kratz, Mandeville, D. R. McKinney, Mills and J. T. Miller are life members in consequence of twenty-five years or longer membership in the society.

LIST OF MEMBERS IN 1909

- Alpers, J. H., Rantoul
- Baker, H. W.
- Baker, Nellie M., Urbana
- Burres, W. F., Urbana
- Bartholow, J. M., Urbana
- Brayshaw, Jos., Homer
- Brewer, E. M., Rantoul
- Bundy, H. W., Pesotum
- Craig, C. M., Champaign
- Davis, C. S., Champaign
- Diller, F. S., Rantoul
- Dicks, T. A., Broadland
- Dillon, Wm., Urbana
- Dodds, J. C., Champaign
- Dowd, R. P., Fisher
- Exton, Lucy A., Thomasboro
- Exton, T. J., Thomasboro

Finch, J. H., Champaign
 Gray, W. L. Champaign
 Gulick, C. D., Urbana
 Hadden, J. M., Seymour
 Hanmore, J. J., Urbana
 Hoffman, J. A., Pesotum
 Howard, H. C., Champaign
 Hough, C. F., Champaign
 Hicks, S. J., Ivesdale
 Honn, W. M., Champaign
 Hilgenberg, J. F., Pesotum
 Johnson, C. B., Champaign
 Jesse, R. L., Philo
 Kariher, H. C., Champaign
 Kratz, E. A., Champaign
 Kinchloe, E. W., Glenn Ferry Idaho
 Kelso, C. E., Champaign
 Lyons, Jennie, Champaign
 Lowery, J. E., Homer
 Lamb, J. G., Fisher
 Lindley, A. M., Urbana
 Lawson, J. M., Sidney
 Mandeville, J. D., Champaign
 Marten, John, Tolono
 McKinney, T. J., Gifford
 Mason, J. S., Urbana
 Miner, Ellen, Champaign
 Munsell, W. W., Urbana
 Morlan, H. J., Ludlow
 Matheny, Z. E. Des Moines, Iowa
 Miller, L. C., Rantoul
 Morland, W. J., Penfield
 Newcomb, W. K., Champaign
 Newcomb, C. F., Champaign
 Osborne, J. W., Champaign
 Pearman, J. O., Mahomet

Powers, F. H., Champaign
 Potter, G. A., Royal
 Polk, J. L., Champaign
 Rees, Wm., St. Joseph
 Purcell, J. T., St. Joseph
 Rees, Omar H., Ogden
 Renfrew, F. C., Sadorus
 Rudy, F. T., Champaign
 Rice, G. W., Champaign
 Raney, J. L. Sidney
 Salisbury, S. S., Tolono
 Sale, L. O., Fisher
 Shurtz, R. E., Champaign
 Shurtz, S. W., Champaign
 Schowengerdt, W. E., Champaign
 Spears, C. H., Champaign
 Scheurich, Jos., Philo
 Smith, E. S., Urbana
 Stanley, O. O., Urbana
 Smith, H. L., Ivesdale
 Van Doren, C. L., Urbana
 Vollborn, C. L., Homer
 Walker, T. E., Gifford
 Wall, A. S., Champaign
 Wilson, H. V., Champaign
 Yantis, D. E., Urbana
 Zorger, A. L., Champaign
 Zorger, W. H., Champaign
 Zorger, C. H., Rantoul

Following are honorary members:

C. F. Brisco, M. D., Urbana
 J. T. Burrill, Ph. D., LL. D., Urbana
 S. A. Forbes, Ph. D., LL. D., Urbana
 George T. Kemp, Ph. D., M. D., Cham-
 paign

FIFTY YEARS IN PRACTICE

February 27, 1900 the citizens and physicians of Champaign gave Dr. H. C. Howard a banquet in commemoration of his having been engaged in the practice of medicine fifty years. April 11, 1901,

the Champaign County Medical Society gave a banquet at the Beardley when Drs. C. H. Mills and S. S. Sallisbury were the guests of honor in consequence of each of them having practiced

medicine fifty years. Upon this occasion Drs. Bartholow, Harmon, Salisbury and Wilcox were made life members.

The Champaign County Medical Society is one of the best medical organizations of its kind in the state. There are many County Medical societies in Illinois, but only two societies of these have a larger membership than has the Champaign County, and none are more instrumental for good.

JOINED THE SILENT MA-
JORITY.

Many Champaign County doctors have crossed to the other shore, and the following though not an absolutely complete list of our deceased brothers, is nevertheless measurably so.

N. H. Adams, E. C. Bartholow,

E. I. Birdsell, S. H. Birney, M. S. Brown, Herman Chaffee, Job S. Coggeshall, Naomi Collins, Chas. P. Cooper, W. A. Conkey, James Core, C. G. Crane, Jacob Culver, H. E. Cushing, A. T. Darrah, R. C. Fullenweider, John H. Gardiner, M. Garst, A. D. Gillum, ——— Goodman, William Goodwin, Abbie G. Hall, Lyman Hall, ——— Harmon, J. E. Harmon, G. W. Hartman, C. C. Hawes, T. M. Hess, William H. Hess, David Jennings, S. D. Jerauld, B. D. Keator, James H. Lyons, D. R. McKinney, C. B. McClelland, J. M. McClure, C. H. Mills, J. M. Minturn, Benjamin C. Morris, P. C. Mosier, John North, S. K. Page, J. T. Pearman, Winston Somers, S. W. Shumaker, Harman Stevens, ——— Smith, C. A. Thompson, Z. T. Whitmire.

**FIFTIETH ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE CHAMPAIGN
COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY**

1859—1909

Dr. J. T. Purcell, Toastmaster. Our Society and Some of its Yesterdays.

Our Society and Its Earliest Morning.

Dr. Charles B. Johnson.

“The voices of morning how sweet
is their trill
When the shadows have turned
and the evening is still.

Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Dr. Jacob G. Chambers,
Dr. William Dillon,
Dr. Hartwell C. Howard,
Dr. Joseph T. Miller,
Dr. John D. Mandeville,
Dr. Samuel Scott Salisbury.

“And ye the honor’d sires to whom
 we owe
 The better share of all the best we
 know,—
 Speak from the past, and say what
 prize was sent
 To crown the toiling years so free-
 ly spent.” Holmes.

Our Society Today

Dr. William K. Newcomb

“Yes, sharp the trials, stern the
 daily tasks
 That suffering Nature from her
 servant asks.” Holmes.

Our Society Tomorrow

Dr. John Marten.
 Dr. William F. Burres.

“Our tardy art shall wear an an-
 gel’s wings
 And life shall lengthen with the joy
 it brings.” Holmes.

Our Society and Our Brothers
 Gone Before.

Dr. James M. Bartholow

“Nay! count not our numbers
 some hundreds we know
 But these are above and those un-
 der the snow
 And thoughts are still mingled
 wherever we meet
 For those we remember and these
 that we greet.” Holmes.

Our Society as Seen by Other
 Eyes.

Hon. W. B. McKinley.
 Hon. Oliver B. Dobbins.

“Sweet is the scene where genial
 friendship plays
 The pleasant game of interchang-
 ing praise.” Holmes.

Our Society and its Nearest
 Neighbor—The University of
 Illinois.

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 the world holds him dear,—
 Lord bless him, Joy crown him,
 God speed his career!” Holmes.



THE JULIA F. BURNHAM
 HOSPITAL.

“The idea of the establishment
 of a general hospital in Champaign
 had its origin in the Social Science
 Club of that city about the time of
 the World’s Fair in 1893. A. C.
 Burnham, whose wife was a promi-
 nent member of the club, gave at

first \$10,000 for a building, which sum he afterwards increased to \$19,000. J. C. Kirkpatrick offered a site on easy terms amounting to a gift of \$1,000, and Mr. Burnham applied \$1,500 of his gift to secure the site. The Hospital Board of Directors was chosen from the Club, and in due time secured a charter from the state, and made Mrs. Burnham its first president. It was the wish of her husband, the principal benefactor of the hospital, that it should become a memorial to Mrs. Burnham, established during her lifetime.

Later an auxiliary organization was formed, called the Hospital association, with power to elect members yearly to fill vacancies on the Board, and with this Association rests the final responsibility of the maintenance of the Hospital. Mrs. Burnham died before the building was completed, but it was opened March 5, 1895, and has been constantly occupied since that time."

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For the Julia F. Burnham Hospital no words of commendation are necessary. Since its establishment it is the wonder of all who give the matter consideration, how the people of this locality managed to get along all these years without a first-class hospital.

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY DOCTORS IN POLITICS.

Under this heading may be included the names of Drs. E. C. Bartholow, James Core, James H. Lyons, J. W. Scroggs and L. S. Wilcox.

Dr. Bartholow was elected to the Illinois Legislature in 1876

and had the honor of assisting in placing on the Statute books the first Illinois Medical Practice Act which went into effect in 1877. He was a resident and practitioner of medicine at Mahomet where his death occurred in the last decade of the Nineteenth Century. See biographical sketches.

Dr. James Core of Homer, Illinois, was elected to the Illinois Legislature in 1878 and during his term rendered faithful and efficient service. His death occurred in 1888. See biographical sketches.

Dr. James H. Lyons, one of the first physicians in Champaign County and the first to locate at Sidney, was elected to the Illinois Legislature in 1836 and had the honor of serving with Abraham Lincoln, Stephen A. Douglas, E. D. Baker, General Shields, Col.

John Hardin, U. F. Linder and other men of marked ability. See Pioneer doctors in Champaign County.

Dr. J. W. Scroggs was elected to the Illinois Legislature in 1868. He did his part in securing the location of the University of Illinois in Champaign County. Governor Oglesby appointed him one of its first trustees. He died in 1874. See biographical sketches.

Dr. L. S. Wilcox in addition to holding a number of local offices, was appointed Revenue Collector of the Springfield District by President Harrison in 1889 and served four years. In 1897 President McKinley appointed him Consul at Hankow, China, a position he filled acceptably for a number of years. He is now living in retirement at Los Angeles, California. See biographical sketches.

ILLINOIS MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT

Had its inception in Champaign County in 1786, centennial year, the Illinois State Medical Society met in the Twin Cities May 16, 17 and 18. The sessions of the Society were held in the Chapel of the Main University Building.

The propriety of a medical practice act regulating the practice of medicine and the organization of a State Board of Health came up for consideration the last day of the meeting. And after being fully

discussed, Dr. S. H. Birney of Urbana, moved that a committee consisting of a medical man from each congressional district be appointed to memorialize the Illinois Legislature upon the urgent need of the proposed medical legislation.

Dr. William M. Chambers of Charleston, offered a substitute that after receiving some modifications read as follows:

“Resolved, That a committee be appointed to memorialize the next

legislature on the subject of the appointment of a State Board of Health; and that with proper modifications the act by which the Board of Health of Massachusetts was inaugurated be submitted to the same as a basis for the Illinois State Board.

“Resolved, That as members of the State Medical Society, each one shall consider himself bound to urge the propriety of a State Board of Health upon the representatives from his district.”

The Memorializing Committee was appointed and consisted of the following physicians: E. W. Gray of Bloomington; Wm. M. Chambers of Charleston; S. H. Birney of Urbana; Wm. Massey of Paris; F. B. Haller of Vandalia.

The committee did its work well and at the session of the legislature of 1876-7 the original Illinois Medical Practice Act passed both hous-

es, was signed by Governor Cullom and speedily became the law of the commonwealth.

Champaign County was fortunate in having in the legislature at that time Dr. E. C. Bartholow of Mahomet and the Hon. R. A. Bower of Tolono, both of whom worked assiduously for the bill. In due time Governor Cullom appointed the members of the first Board of Health and upon this Champaign County was represented by J. M. Gregory, LL. D.* regent of the university, and one of the recognized leading educators of the west. Dr. Gregory did most excellent work in organizing and putting the new Board on its feet, so to speak. With his well known versatility, he prepared several excellent papers on medical education and sanitation. During his term of service he was honored with the presidency of the board for two years.

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY DOCTORS AND THEIR SEVERAL LOCATIONS

Bondville—This village had its origin about 1870 and was named in honor of L. J. Bond of Monticello, an officer in the early history of the railway that goes through the town. The first physician to locate in Bondville was Dr. O. B. Simmons, who came there in the seventies and remained till 1896,

when he was soon after succeeded by Dr. Homer A. Seymour, who remained till about 1902, when he was followed by Dr. A. J. Foelsch who practiced there till 1908, when he removed to Chicago. Dr. R. P. Donovan is the present Bondville physician.

Broadlands—This village was

laid out in 1883, but in 1881 Dr. W. F. Burres practiced medicine in that locality and had his office at the Old Head Quarters House. Dr. Burres removed to Sidney in 1882 and was succeeded at his first location by Dr. George T. Rowland, who was there during 1882-3. Dr. Lon Roberts located at Broadlands in 1883, but did not remain long. In 1883 Dr. C. A. Coffman came and practiced for about three years when he removed elsewhere. Dr. T. E. Walker was at Broadlands late in the nineties for a short time only. Dr. T. A. Dicks came in 1892 and at this writing is the only physician there.

Champaign—The original part of what is now Champaign City, was platted in 1853, but the plat was not recorded until 1855. There seems to have been much discussion over the choice of a name for the proposed town. Clarksfield, Rantoul and Urbana City were in turn considered. The first was abandoned, Rantoul was given to the now well-known village fourteen miles north and the new town was finally incorporated as West Urbana, but the plats were recorded as additions to Urbana. The station for a time was called Urbana and the residents of Urbana proper for a number of years referred to the place as "the Depot." West Urbana continued to be the name

till 1860, when by act of legislature it was changed to Champaign, at which time it may be said the new city entered on its career proper. The first physician to locate in Champaign was Dr. R. W. Sluemaker, brother-in-law to Judge Calvin C. Staley. November 9, 1854, Dr. Schumacher published a card in the Urbana Union announcing his new location. Dr. H. C. Howard came in 1855; also Dr. S. W. Kincaid, who remained but a few years. A little later came Drs. J. Hollister, S. K. Page, Joseph Hagar, C. L. Swain and A. J. Crane. Dr. Page continued in practice till advancing years compelled his retirement late in the seventies. Dr. C. H. Mills came in 1856 and remained till his death in 1907. Dr. J. T. Pearman located in Champaign in 1864 and remained in active practice till about a year and a half before his death in May, 1896.

Dr. R. H. Huddleston located in Champaign in the early seventies and remained in active practice till about 1878, when he removed to Florida. Dr. L. S. Wilcox came in 1875 and was in active professional work till 1889, when he became the district revenue collector. Dr. Lyman Hall removed from Savoy to Champaign in 1887 where he continued to reside till his death in 1892. Dr. D. A. Cheever located in Champaign in 1870, continued in active practice

till 1877, when he was succeeded by Dr. T. J. Merryman, who remained till 1885. Dr. C. D. Tufford came in 1879 and continued in practice about six years when he was followed by Dr. P. S. Repogle. In 1890 Dr. Abbie G. Hall located in Champaign and practiced till her death in 1898. Dr. H. E. Cushing came in 1884 and practiced till his death in 1906.

Following is a list of physicians now in Champaign with dates of their arrival: Craig, C. M., 1899; Cogswell, G. E., 1902; Dodds, J. C., 1900; Davis, C. S., 1902; Finch, J. H., 1895; Gray, W. L., 1891; Haley, H. A., 1882; Howard, H. C., 1855; Hough, C. F., 1894; Honn, W. M., 1900; Johnson, Charles B., 1879; Kratz, E. A., 1869; Lyons, Jennie, 1903; Mandeville, J. D., 1900; Miner, Ellen, 1896; Mills, C. H., 1857; Newcomb, C. F., 1904; Newcomb, W. K., 1896; Osborne, J. W., 1906; Powers, F. H., 1900; Rice, Gordon W., 1907; Schowengerdt, W. E., 1897; Spears, Charles H., 1890; Shurtz, R. E., 1898; Shurtz, S. W., 1899; Rudy, E. G., 1904; Wall, A. S., 1896; Wilson, H. V., 1906; Karther, H. C., 1908; Kirby, Darwin 1909; Zörger, Annie L., 1895; Zörger, W. H., 1895.

Dewey—This is one of the newest villages of the county. Dr. Beard was its first physician and located there about 1888, but did

not remain long and after him came in succession Drs. Bailey, Templeton, R. P. Dowd, A. Chenoweth and one Dr. Heath, who did not long remain. Dr. Samuel Donovan is the present Dewey representative of the profession.

Fisher—Dr. James G. Elder was the first physician in this place. He yet resides there, but is now out of practice. Dr. Joseph Carr was the next, but did not remain long. About 1880 Dr. A. L. Elder practiced there for a time, when he removed to Nebraska. Dr. W. K. Newcomb located in Fisher and continued in active practice there till 1896, when he removed to Champaign. Dr. S. W. Shurtz began the practice of medicine there in 1893 and continued till 1899, when he changed his location to Champaign. The present physicians of Fisher are Dr. R. P. Dowd who came in 1896, Dr. L. O. Sale in 1898 and Dr. J. G. Lamb, a recent arrival.

Foosland—The first physician in this village was one Dr. Stephens, who about 1870, was succeeded by Dr. H. L. Harris, who practiced there for a number of years, when he in turn was followed by Dr. A. C. Albright. In 1892 Dr. J. E. Lowry, who is yet at Foosland, became the successor of Dr. Albright, but later removed to Homer. Dr. Frederick H. York and

W. P. Scott are Foosland's present physicians.

Gifford—This village was laid out in 1876 and was named in honor of Benjamin Gifford. The first doctor in the place was Dr. Salmons, who remained but a short time. He was followed by Dr. T. J. Berry. Later came Dr. W. Van Camp and in 1877 Dr. D. R. McKinney, who practiced medicine there for about twenty years and then went to Indiana. In 1883 Dr. T. J. McKinney, son of Dr. D. R. McKinney, located at Gifford and is now actively in practice there. So likewise is Dr. T. E. Walker who, save for a brief interval, has been a resident of the village a number of years. In 1894 came Dr. R. E. Shurtz, who remained two years and then removed to Champaign.

Homer—Old Homer situated on the creek about a mile north of the Homer of today, was first settled in 1835. Dr. Harmon Stevens was one of the earliest physicians to locate in Champaign county. When the Wabash railway was built through the southern part of Champaign county in 1857 New Homer came into existence at the Railway Station, a mile south of Old Homer, and the last named village soon passed out of existence. Dr. Stevens at once removed to the new village and prac-

ticed medicine there a good many years till his removal to Newton, Ill. In 1840 Dr. W. A. Conkey located in Old Homer and continued in practice there till 1850, when he retired permanently. In 1851 Dr. C. P. Mosier came to Homer and five years later removed to the new town site, but all the while he continued in active practice till his retirement in 1859 to engage in farming and other pursuits. In 1853 Dr. James Core arrived in Old Homer and engaged in practice and removed to the new village at its beginning and continued the practice till his death in 1888. In 1853 came Dr. T. M. Hess also, who engaged in the practice of his profession in the old town till the new one was started, when he removed thither and continued to answer calls till his removal to Warren County early in the eighties. George T. Rowland succeeded Dr. Core and continued in practice till late in the nineties when he removed to Clark County, where he is yet practicing. Dr. H. N. Baker came in 1906 and remained till 1909 when he removed to Danville, Ill.

Following is a list of physicians in Homer with dates of their location as near as can be ascertained: Dr. Joseph Brayshaw, 1902; Dr. J. E. Lowery, Dr. H. A. Shaw, 1866; Dr. A. L. Volborn.

Ivesdale—This village, just with-

in the borders of Champaign County, dates its origin from about 1864, and is named for a Mr. Ives, who owned a tract of land in its vicinity. The writer has not been able to ascertain much of its early medical history, but among the physicians who have practiced there may be named Drs. W. F. Benefield, C. M. Craig, M. A. Morgan, C. M. Bailey and H. P. Mack and L. H. Smith.

Dr. Samuel J. Hicks is Ivesdale's physician at the present time.

Longview—This village was laid out in 1883 and the first physician to locate there was Dr. R. P. Ratts. Dr. A. J. Garrison located there for a time, but recently removed elsewhere. Dr. Ratts is yet in active practice at Longview.

Ludlow—This village, at first called Pera, had its origin in the fifties. The first physician to locate there was one Dr. Emmons. His immediate successors are not known to the writer, indeed, it has not been possible to gather much of the medical history of this village. Dr. M. A. Glennan practiced in Ludlow for a number of years prior to his death in 1902. Dr. H. J. Moreland came to the village in 1906 and has since been actively engaged in practice.

Mahomet—The first physician to locate in Mahomet was Dr. N. H. Adams, who opened an office

there in 1843. He remained there twelve or fifteen years, when he died. About 1846 Dr. C. C. Hawes came to Mahomet and continued practice there till his death in 1872. Early in the fifties, Dr. C. L. Crane located in Mahomet, where he remained till his death in 1856, the result of injuries received by the bursting of an anvil that was fired on the Fourth of July. Dr. A. J. Crane, a brother of the foregoing, also practiced medicine there in the fifties.

Dr. W. W. Walters located in Mahomet in 1855 and remained five years. Dr. J. D. Culver came to this village about 1857 and remained in practice there till his death in 1890. One Dr. Clark practiced medicine in Mahomet a few years following 1871, when he removed to Mansfield.

Dr. John D. Gardiner located and practiced medicine there during the latter part of the fifties and the early sixties. His son, Dr. John H. Gardiner came to Mahomet in the early seventies and practiced till his death, Aug. 22, 1902. Dr. A. S. Wall located in Mahomet in 1890 and practiced till 1896, when he removed to Champaign. Dr. C. T. Wilson began practice in 1890 and still shares the business with his competitor, Dr. J. O. Pearman, who succeeded Dr. Gardiner in 1902.

Ogden—This village was laid out in 1870 and took its name from

a family in the neighborhood. The first physician to locate there was Dr. Edward Tourtellette, who came in 1870, but a year later he died. In 1871 Dr. Job S. Coggeshall located there and engaged in practice till his death, Sept. 14, 1902. Dr. Freeman P. French located at Ogden in the seventies, and remained a number of years. Dr. James F. Harris came in 1883 and is yet there in active practice. Dr. Omar H. Rees came in 1901 and has since been in active work.

Pesotum—Dr. E. I. Birdsell was the first physician to locate in this village, arriving there late in 1869. A little later one Dr. Nichols practiced medicine there for a time, as did also one Dr. Oatley.

Dr. John A. Hoffman came to Pesotum a good many years ago and has always been very busy. Dr. Z. E. Matheny came a number of years later and after some practice went elsewhere. Dr. Hilgenberg is now an active practitioner of the village.

Penfield—Penfield was laid out in 1876 and takes its name from John Penfield of Rantoul, Ill. The first doctor to locate in the village was Dr. M. M. Hazel; the next Dr. W. S. Higgins and Dr. W. VanCamp; also Dr. P. E. Cole. Of these Dr. Higgins is dead, and Dr. Cole is in LeMars, Iowa. In 1894 came Dr. J. S. Mason, who remained till 1899, when he was suc-

ceeded by Dr. C. H. Zorger, who removed to Rantoul. Dr. J. W. Moreland came in 1906 and is yet there.

Philo—The village of Philo was laid out in 1864 by E. B. Hall, son of Philo Hall, from whose Christian name both the village and township are named. The first physician to locate in Philo was Dr. B. C. Morris; the next one was Dr. Hall, whom Dr. James M. Bartholow succeeded in 1869. Dr. Bartholow remained in Philo till 1895, when he sold out to Dr. Robert F. L. Jessee, who is now in active practice in that place. In March, 1868 Dr. John D. Mandeville located in Philo and continued in active practice here till 1900, when he was succeeded by Dr. James M. Tinsley, who recently removed to Rantoul. In 1898 Dr. Joseph Schuehlich began the practice of medicine in Philo and is yet there.

Rantoul—The village of Rantoul as well as the township in which it is located, takes its name from Robert Rantoul, one of the original stockholders and charter members of the Illinois Central railroad corporation. Rantoul was first settled in 1855-6. The first physician to locate there was Dr. D. M. Marshall who came in 1856 and remained till 1860. Dr. J. Sweat located in Rantoul in 1857 and continued in practice there till his death ten years later.

About 1860 came from Indiana, one Dr. New, who remained only one year. About this time and later came Drs. D. B. George, Hazel, Clark, Hobart, Garrison, Boise and Ferris. Dr. John North located in Rantoul in 1865 and Dr. D. P. McClure in 1870. Dr. North practiced medicine there till about 1878 and then went west. Dr. McClure did a good business till 1887, when his health gave way. Dr. Charles E. Triplet was in Rantoul for several years following the early seventies; Dr. Roy Taylor for two or three years, when he removed. Dr. J. E. Harman came in 1874 and remained till his death in 1906.

Dr. J. M. Minturn practiced in Rantoul from about 1884 till 1890, when failing health compelled his retirement. Dr. W. J. Fernald located in Rantoul in 1890 and remained till about 1900, when he removed to Frankfort, Ind. Dr. John Laughlin came in 1890 and remained till 1900 when he retired and made his home in Indiana. Dr. J. S. Mason came in 1899 and was in practice till 1906, when he changed his location to Urbana

Following is the present roll of Rantoul physicians: Brewer, E. M., 1909; Diller, F. S., 1906; Finsley, J. M., 1908; Zorger, Charles H., 1906.

Sadorus—This village was laid

off about 1856 and in that year came its first physician Dr. A. Catron, who yet lives there in old age, but retired from active practice. In 1869 Dr. J. G. Chambers located there and practiced a number of years, when he removed to his farm in Sadorus township, where he yet lives. Early in the seventies Dr. A. D. Gillum located in Sadorus and remained there till his death some years ago. A contemporary of Dr. Gillum was Dr. L. M. Lee, who practiced in Sadorus a few years, but removed to another location about 1877.

Dr. Frank L. Birney, son of Dr. S. H. Birney located in Sadorus and remained two years in the eighties and went from there to Denver in 1888. He was succeeded by Dr. W. H. Zorger, who remained till 1894. Dr. C. P. Hoffman came to Sadorus several years ago, but later removed to Danville, Ill., as an eye and ear specialist. Dr. Arthur G. Lewis has been in practice many years in Sadorus and Dr. F. C. Renfrew since 1903.

Seymour dates its beginning from about 1870. The first doctors to locate there were Dr. J. M. Hadden and one Dr. Clark. Dr. Clark did not continue the practice long and has since died. He has been succeeded by a number of men, but none remained long. Dr. Hadden is yet in active prac-

tice. Dr. H. C. Kariher came in 1903 and remained till 1908 when he moved to Champaign. Recently came Dr. W. P. Donovan.

Sidney was the site of an old Indian trail and, located on a moderately high and well-drained bluff on the south bank of the Salt Fork, is a rather old and interesting landmark. A company or more of soldiers had been encamped on the hill in the east side of the present village, some time before the earliest settlement as attested by the certain remains of an old camp described by the oldest settlers of this locality.

Excluding the "medicine men" of the Indian tribes, who were no doubt frequent visitors to this spot and possibly a doctor in the employ of the Government, the first doctor to practice his profession in the eastern part of Champaign county was Dr. Lyons, who was an eastern gentleman of some ability and refined tastes. He evidently had great hopes for the future of his location, for it was he in connection with a Mr. Davis, who laid off the original village of Sidney, the name being given in honor of Miss Sidney Davis, the eldest daughter of one of the founders of the village. He also designed a very large park, a part of which is now the public school grounds, the remainder long ago having been sold in town lots. He devoted some time at least to train-

ing horses, as he had built for his use a training track and barn. The old track was southeast of Sidney one-half mile. The doctor sold all his interests later to J. R. C. Jones and then moved to Texas, where he was visited by friends in 1865, who found that he had been elected to the legislature in that state.

For some years after the departure of Dr. Lyons the practice in the locality was done by Drs. Conkey and Mosier of Old Homer. In the early 50's Dr. Hartman and Dr. Joseph Goodman came to try their fortunes with the new town. Dr. Goodman was there when the Township was organized in 1860, and was the first Supervisor of Sidney Township. The old records of the office would indicate that he was a man of fair ability. About this time Dr. Ashby came to the town and was connected with Dr. Goodman in practice. He did not remain very long and for some reason not recorded he left rather suddenly, and was succeeded by a young man, Dr. F. A. White, who practiced medicine there in 1857-8. He was a brother of Attorney S. F. White of Urbana. The young doctor was a strong and noisy Abolitionist and also a convert to the Mormon church. He was not pleased with the surroundings at Sidney and in spite of the solicitations of friends he closed his office and left the village. Twenty-five years after that

his friends were notified of his death in Salt Lake City. Dr. Goodman enlisted in the Army; returning at the close of the war he moved to Coles, where he remained only a short time, going from there to Iowa, where he died about 1877 or 1878.

Dr. H. S. Hickman came to Sidney about 1859 and practiced with Dr. Hartman. In the beginning of the war of the Rebellion he was among the first to enlist, being a private in Co. I, 2nd Illinois Cavalry. He served to the close of the war, and, on his return, finding the field of medicine well filled at the place, went to Newman, Ill., where he practiced for twenty years then moving to the new town of Longview, remained but a short time, when he moved to Wichita, Kan.

Dr. Wesley Lawson came just after the war and began his career as a medical man in the quiet village of Sidney. He came from Pennsylvania, having served in the Union army as a member of a company doing duty in the signal service. The doctor did not remain very long, however, going from here to Homer, where he has lived ever since.

Dr. W. S. Duncan was practicing medicine at the beginning of the war and entered the 10th Illinois cavalry as an assistant sur-

geon. He served to the close of the war and like many others came home to find the conditions changed, and he soon decided to change his location. He moved to Vigo County, Indiana, where he remained for several years; then he went to southern Illinois, practicing with varying success, until 1889 he again decided to locate in the town of his first love, and moved back to Sidney. He remained two years and then went to Hutton, Coles county, and later to Casey, Ill. He recently retired from practice at the age of 84 years. The doctor was a faithful member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges and of the Grand Army of the Republic. In religious views he was a Seven Day Adventist.

Dr. Harmon located in Sidney in 1866 or 1868 and remained for five or six years. He owned a drug store and later an interest in a good farm, two miles southeast of Sidney. On deciding to leave the locality he disposed of his farm in a novel way—by issuing lottery tickets with one chance for the farm. He had no trouble to dispose of them at good figures. He moved west in 1873 or 1874. Dr. Smith located here not long after the war and practiced actively until his death in 1877. The doctor was a graduate of the Cincinnati Eclectic Medical College. He

was quite well liked, was very successful as a physician and a financier.

Dr. S. D. Jerauld came to Sidney in the spring of 1858, having a good practice when the war broke out. Three sons enlisted, William, Walter Hall and T. D. Jerauld. William was killed at Vicksburg, Walter Hall was a prisoner at Andersonville, Ga., and died while a prisoner. T. D. Jerauld, the youngest, returned after the close of the war and was discharged January 6, 1866. Dr. S. L. Jerauld contracted quick consumption going south after his son, William, who was killed. Died April 5, 1865.

The above historical details of medicine in Sidney are from the pen of Dr. W. F. Burres, who for many years practiced there before moving to Urbana. Dr. J. M. Lawson came in 1885 and is yet busy in practice. Dr. E. W. Kinchelore came in 1899, practiced a number of years, and emigrated to Oklahoma.

St. Joseph—St. Joseph had its beginning about 1870, that is, the present or New St. Joseph had. But its predecessor, Old St. Joseph, had its beginning about 1856 and was located a mile south of the present St. Joseph and when the latter came into existence there was no longer need for the old vil-

lage. St. Joseph derives its name from the first town of that name and the latter was named in honor of Joseph Kelly, who for many years kept an old-time country tavern at what became the site of Old St. Joseph. It is related that a guest of Landlord Kelly was so well treated by the latter in an early day that his heart was filled with gratitude and he was determined to bestow some especial favor upon his benefactor and being a man of some political influence, induced the authorities at Washington to establish a postoffice at the tavern of Joseph Kelly and that in honor of the latter it was henceforth known as St. Joseph. Possibly Landlord Kelly came to the conclusion that "he had entertained an angel unawares."

The first physician to locate at Old St. Joseph was Dr. James Gillespie and the next Dr. Anthony Doyle and a little later Dr. George Doyle. Dr. William Goodwin was also there for a time. Later came Dr. David Jennings.

As before intimated it was about 1870 that old things in this region passed away and new things came about when Old St. Joseph gave away to New St. Joseph. In the latter village Dr. David Jennings was the first physician to locate and Dr. W. B. Sims the next, both of whom came about 1870. Later came one Dr. Marion who did not

remain many years. In 1877 Dr. N. B. Sims, son of Dr. W. B. Sims, joined his father in practice in St. Joseph and continued there for a period of about twenty years, when he removed to Danville. Early in 1877 Dr. J. T. Purcell located in the village and has since been there. About 1897 Dr. J. N. Rees came to St. Joseph, and Dr. A. J. Dalton more recently.

Tolono—This village dates its origin from about 1856. The first physician to locate there was Dr. Herman Chaffee, who built the fourth frame house erected in the place. Dr. Chaffee remained there till his death in 1900. About 1857 Dr. B. D. Keator came to Tolono and continued in active practice till 1878, when he removed to Missouri. About 1872 or 1873 Dr. James T. Logan, an eccentric character, located in Tolono and for seven or eight years did quite a practice. In 1861 Dr. S. S. Salisbury arrived in Tolono and at the age of eighty years is yet in active practice in that village. In 1865 Dr. A. T. Darrah came to Tolono and began the practice of medicine and continued it till his removal to Bloomington in 1883. In 1874 Dr. C. B. Johnson removed to Tolono from Crittenden Township, where he had practiced three years, and answered professional calls till his removal to Champaign in April, 1879. In 1879 Dr. L. K. Lamb came to Tolono and practiced till 1892, when he

was succeeded by Dr. J. C. Doods, who practiced there till 1901, when he removed to Champaign. In 1886 Dr. C. M. Craig located in Tolono and continued in general practice till 1899, when he removed to Champaign. Dr. H. E. Dunlop came in 1900 and remained only about one year. Dr. S. A. Crabtree came in 1901, practiced a number of years and removed elsewhere. Following is the list of Tolono physicians at this writing: Dr. S. S. Salisbury, 1861; Dr. John Marten, 1897; Dr. W. P. Tinsley, 1907.

Urbana—As noted elsewhere Urbana was designated as the County Seat of Champaign County early in 1833, but prior to this date had been a village of only a few houses. Dr. John S. Saddler located in Urbana in 1839 and was the first doctor to make his home there, but he remained only a few years. Dr. Winston Somers came in 1840 and continued to practice medicine till his death in 1871. Dr. William D. Somers, brother of Dr. Winston Somers, located in Urbana about the same time and the brothers were partners till Dr. W. D. in 1847, abandoned medicine for the law. In the fifties came Drs. J. F. Snyder, J. T. Miller, James Hollister, C. H. Mills, C. A. Thompson, M. B. Thompson, Joseph Hager, M. Lindley, and W. M. Goodwin. Drs. Hollister and Mills removed to Champaign in

1856. Dr. C. A. Thompson removed to Jefferson City, Mo., at the end of the civil war. Dr. M. B. Thompson abandoned medicine for the law very early in the sixties. Dr. Hager did not remain long. Dr. W. M. Goodwin continued in practice till about 1878, when he went west. Late in the fifties Dr. M. S. Brown located and began the practice of medicine in Urbana and continued till his removal to Danville in 1884, where he died later. Dr. S. H. Birney came to Urbana during the civil war and practiced there till about 1887, when he removed to Denver, where he remained till 1899, when he returned to Urbana in broken health and died in that city July 1, 1900. For a few years in the eighties Dr. F. D. Prentice practiced medicine in Urbana. He is now in the west. Drs. C. N. and J. E. White came to Urbana and after practicing about twenty years removed to Springfield. Dr. John W. Fuqua came in 1895, practiced about ten years and then went elsewhere.

Following is a list of physicians now in Urbana, with dates of location:

Allen, J. R., 1908; Baker, Nellie M., 1906; Bartholow, J. M., 1895; Burres, W. F., 1900; Dillon, Wm., 1900; Gulick, C. D., 1902; Hanmore, J. J., 1906; Hughes, Jennie, 1899; Lindley, A. M., 1880; Lind-

ley, Mahlon, 1857; Martinie, Chas. W., 1898; Miller, H. W., 1889; Miller, J. T., 1853; Morrison, Jas. E., 1880; Munsell, W. W., 1901; Nichols, Chas A., 1896; Sims, W. B., 1883; Smith, E. S., 1896; Stanley O. O., 1908; Van Doren, C. L., 1900; Yantis, D. E., 1906.

The following country locations were occupied by doctors at the dates designated:

Big Grove, Dr. Fulkerson, 1830.

Farmhouse of Mijamin Byers, two miles east of Urbana, Dr. James H. Lyon, 1832.

Farm house, Hensley Township, one mile west of Five Points on the Bloomington road, Dr. Scott in the early sixties.

Farm-house of David Jessee, Crittenden Township, Dr. Charles B. Johnson, 1871-4.

Orizaba, one mile north of Long View, Dr. R. P. Ratts about 1870.

Old Head Quarters, south of Homer, Dr. W. F. Burres, 1881, and Dr. George T. Rowland, 1882-3.

Burr Oak Grove, northeast part of County, Dr. D. R. McKinney, 1867-1878.

Sugar Grove (now Kerr Township). Dr. Isaac Hobart, 1850 to about 1862.

Farm house of William Peabody

a mile north of the present village of Fisher, Dr. S. H. Birney, about 1859.

Farm house of John Pusey, Condit Township, one Dr. McFee in the early sixties.

Houstonville, a country postoffice, (now no longer in existence) in East Bend Township. Dr. Wantling, from about 1868 to 1872.

PATRIOTISM OF CHAMPAIGN COUNTY DOCTORS

The roll of Champaign County physicians who offered their services to the country in its days of peril is a long one; much longer the writer has reason to think, than can be put on record in these pages, as it is believed the names of a number who served in the civil war cannot now be secured.

Among those who served as surgeons may be mentioned the names of Dr. S. H. Birney, 135th Illinois Infantry; Dr. R. H. Brown, 25th Illinois Infantry; Dr. J. G. Chambers, 190th Pennsylvania infantry; J. S. Coggeshall, 2nd Indiana Cavalry; A. Jackson Cran, 2nd Illinois Cavalry; Jacob Culver, 71st Illinois Infantry; W. S. Franklin (went from Champaign County as surgeon in an Ohio regiment, but what regiment is not known); Dr. M. Garst, 71st Illinois Infantry; Dr. Lyman Hall, 63rd Illinois Infantry; Dr. William H. Hess, 145th Illinois

Infantry; Dr. D. P. McClure, 64th Ohio Infantry; Dr. J. T. Miller, 60th Illinois Infantry; Dr. C. H. Mills, 125th Illinois Infantry; Dr. C. A. Thompson, 125th Illinois Infantry, 13th Illinois Infantry and 90th Illinois Infantry.

In addition to the above list of medical men who gave their professional service and one of them his life to the country there is a goodly number of doctors in Champaign County who served in the ranks when mere boys.

Among these may be named, Dr. E. C. Bartholow, Dr. J. M. Bartholow, Dr. John M. Gardiner, Dr. Goodman, Dr. J. M. Hadden, Dr. Apollis Hess, Dr. J. C. Harmon, Dr. H. S. Hickman, Dr. R. H. Huddleston, Dr. David Jennings, Dr. Charles B. Johnson, Dr. E.A.Kratz, Dr. Wesley Lawson, Dr. J. D. Mandeville, Dr. D. R. McKinney, Dr. John North, Dr. J. T. Purcell and Dr. W. B. Simms.

INTERESTING FACTS IN THE HISTORIES OF CERTAIN DOCTORS

Dr. J. T. Miller of Urbana is the Nestor of Champaign County medicine as he has been in continuous practice longer than any one else. Dr. Miller located in Urbana, April 29, 1853. After Dr. Miller, Dr. Howard is the oldest physician in the County who is yet in active practice, though Dr. S. S. Salisbury of Tolono, also in active practice, is Dr. Howard's junior by only ten days.

Dr. J. T. Purcell of St. Joseph,

a veteran of the civil war, served five years and nine months, believed to be the longest term of military service rendered by any volunteer soldier in the County.

Dr. J. M. Bartholow of Urbana enlisted when only fifteen years of age and served two and one-half years.

Dr. John H. Gardiner of Mahomet enlisted in the last year of the war when but fifteen years of age and served his full time.

ACCIDENTS AND VIOLENT DEATHS IN THE PROFESSION

Late in the sixties Dr. D. P. McClure in visiting a patient near Thomasboro attempted to cross a slough in a time of high water that was followed by a severe cold snap. In consequence there was considerable ice and in crossing the horse floundered, got under the ice and was drowned while the doctor had a very narrow escape with his own life.

July 4, 1855, some of the citizens of Mahomet were celebrating the day by firing an anvil when this burst and a large fragment struck one of the bystanders, Dr. C. L. Crane, and mangled one of his legs so severely that amputation was

necessary. Later blood poisoning took place and the patient died about a month after the accident.

About 1870 Dr. Edward Tourlette located at Ogden and in connection with his practice ran a drug store. A year later his wife died from an overdose of chloroform administered by herself, but whether the fatal consequences were the result of accident or intentional was never known.

However, the result so preyed upon the mind of Dr. Tourlette, that precisely four weeks after his wife's death he died from a large dose of laudanum, taken with suicidal intent.

PROGRESS IN MEDICINE

DURING THE PIONEER, INTERMEDIATE AND MODERN ERAS

The history of medicine in Champaign County had its beginning near the end of the first third of the Nineteenth Century. For convenience of study this history may be divided into three periods. The first period, the Pioneer Era, ended in 1850; the second, the Intermediate Period, in 1877; and the third for want of a better name may be called the Modern Era, which embraces our day.

THE PIONEER ERA

During the Pioneer Era a variety of causes conspired to especially handicap the practitioner of medicine on the frontier. To begin with, by reason of circumstances over which he had little or no control, he often began his professional duties with inadequate preparation. Seventy odd years ago Medical Colleges were few in number and for the most part poorly equipped. Then with the poor and slow means of locomotion that characterized the period, these Colleges were little short of inaccessible to the majority of the medical students. Moreover, medical books were not plenty as in our time, and those that could be had were relatively high priced. Medical periodicals were few, and upon these the postage was so high as to, in effect, be almost pro-

hibitive in many instances. Rare was it that the Pioneer doctor had taken the required two courses of lecture necessary for graduation; indeed, he was fortunate if circumstances had permitted him to take one course, and not unfrequently his sole qualification for the important business of caring for the life and health of the frontiersman was a period of office tuition, taken in an older state with some doctor of local reputation. Then after beginning practice he was embarrassed by the great difficulty of obtaining needed supplies in the way of medicines and instruments. The great city was many miles away and the means of reaching it slow, tedious and uncertain. Thus limited in education, limited in opportunities for self-improvement, limited in means for treating disease, the practitioner of the frontier was compelled to fall back upon himself and depend upon resources near at hand.

Consequently if books and periodicals were scarce, those on hand were read with care; and these well-scanned, the great book of nature was turned to and from its open pages no end of practical knowledge was obtained. The result was, that while the Pioneer doctor was in no sense a learned

man, he in time became a ready, observing and resourceful man. And if in some emergency an instrument was needed he could improvise it; if a particular drug was indicated, its substitute was gathered from the fields or may be obtained from some crude mineral.

But while self reliance and resourcefulness were his noble virtues, the Pioneer doctor was not without his faults—faults, let it be said in extenuation, almost wholly due to his environment, but faults nevertheless. Lack of familiarity with medical literature and of opportunity to exchange views with his fellow practitioner in medical societies and kindred meetings had a tendency to make him narrow, opinionated and over-confident. The result was, if he was fortunate enough to escape the fate of sinking hopelessly in the mire of prejudice, he was almost sure to settle deeper and deeper in the rut of routine. Hence his long use and persistent abuse of that old therapeutic tripod, bleeding, blistering and heroic doses of calomel.

THE INTERMEDIATE ERA

The period between 1850 and 1877 was a great improvement on the Pioneer Era that had preceded it. Medical Colleges had increased in number and had improved in equipment. Moreover not a few were nearer at hand. Cincinnati,

Louisville and Chicago all had one or more medical schools. Then, too, railways had come in general use and afforded ready means of travel. Medical books were more plentiful and more easily obtained, and there had been a marked increase in medical literature and this, with the coming of cheap postage, was much more widely disseminated. The marked improvement in the means of locomotion that railways brought about was followed by a great influx of population and with the latter came more doctors. And with an increase in the number of doctors, Medical Societies were organized and these brought an exchange of views and experiences between practitioners and stimulated the latter to more extended reading and wider culture. One result of this better education, more reading and exchange of ideas among the doctors of this period, was to call in question the utility of the heroic measures of their predecessors. It must be said, too, that the ignorant botanic and that medical monomaniac of the first half of the nineteenth century, the steam doctor, had no little share in demonstrating the folly of an indiscriminate resort to bleeding, the routine use of blisters and setons, and the giving of mercury with the avowed purpose of inducing salivation in so many instances. As a result of these combined influ-

ences, not long after the beginning of the second half of the nineteenth century, powerful drugs and heroic measures came to be used less and less in the treatment of disease. While nature's simples, such as fresh air, sunlight and cold water came to be recognized as potent therapeutic agents that no progressive physician could afford to ignore.

Early in 1861 came the great civil war that for four long years dragged out its weary length. But with all its attendant evils and hardships this contest was not wholly without its compensation. One of these was the affording of unequalled opportunities to the medical profession for the study of certain classes of disease and injuries. The prolonged duration and great magnitude of the war created so great a demand for surgeons that every doctor in the country who had the requisite qualifications, had opportunity to enter the medical department of the army if he so desired. What we today call asepsis, or absolute surgical cleanliness, was not understood in the civil war period. Nevertheless the treatment of gunshot wounds in this time had in its favor not a little to commend. One of its good features was simplicity. In the first stages gunshot wounds were treated with cold water dressings. Later when suppuration began, applications of a

sort of soothing salve known as simple cerate, was made use of with most excellent results.

In the medical department of the army during the War of the Rebellion Champaign County was well and ably represented. Details of the representation will be found elsewhere.

In this Intermediate Period the average education of the medical practitioner was much higher than it had been in the Pioneer Era, but there was yet room for greater improvement. The profession of medicine was open to all, and whosoever desired could enter upon its responsible duties; there were absolutely no restrictions outside of popular opinion, and oftentimes the standards of the people were hopelessly low. At this time, as there has always been, there were a great many well qualified and not a few high educated men in the profession. But on the other hand there were some engaged in practice who were ignorant and thick-headed to an appalling degree. Strange as it may now seem to many there were at this time in enlightened Champaign County, a number of reputable practitioners who had never seen the inside walls of a Medical College. There were still a larger number who had attended lectures, but who had never graduated in medicine, while

among those who were graduates were men whose preliminary education had been so limited as to leave them little better than illiterates.

This brings us to the consideration of the

THE MODERN ERA

That began a little after the Centennial year, 1876, and that reaches to our day. As elsewhere detailed, at a meeting of the Illinois State Medical Society held in the Twin Cities in May, 1876, steps were taken to secure the enactment of laws that would aid in the establishment of a high standard of medical education, a better observance of the principles of sanitation and a curtailment of the spread of contagion. This is no place for details, hence, let it suffice to say that in 1877 the much desired legislation was secured and went into effect. And while in practice these laws have by no means proved ideal, yet under their influence progress has been so great and so encouraging that he who would return to the old go-as-you-please methods must be blind indeed. While the writer has no disposition to dwell unduly on the "then-and-now" phase of this question, yet a few facts in the way of contrast may not be uninteresting.

A third of a century ago any-

body could practice medicine in Illinois and no one could interfere; health officers and health boards could be found only in the larger cities; and outside these large cities no means worthy the name could be put in force to prevent the spread of contagion; indeed, comparatively few physicians had a proper appreciation of the infectious character of many maladies that are now classed as preventable diseases.

In our state today no one can begin the practice of medicine without passing the examination of the Illinois State Medical Examining Board; no one can take this medical examination of the State Board of Medical Examiners who is not a graduate of a reputable medical school; no one can enter this reputable medical school who has not, at least, the equivalent of a high school education, and finally, no one can graduate from this reputable medical college who has not devoted four years to attending its graded courses of instruction.

In the way of disease-prevention the contrast with thirty odd years ago is striking. Every township and every village may now have, and indeed nearly all do have, local Boards of Health to look after the health interests of the community. Doctors and people alike have come to realize the

truth of the old adage, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." There is hardly a community in Illinois where the general health has not been greatly improved and the death rate very much reduced by this work in the direction of disease prevention. Statistics and figures could be piled up to prove these statements, but this would be tedious to the reader. In a conversation not long since between the writer and an undertaker, who for many years has followed his business in central Illinois, the fact was brought out that where forty to fifty years ago children furnished a considerable part of the undertaker's business in recent years the burial of a child had become so rare as almost to excite surprise.

CONCLUSION

The medical history of Cham-

paign County had its beginning more than two generations in the past, when a solitary physician, Dr. Fulkerson, located at the head of the Big Grove settlement, five miles north of Urbana. Since that time full eighty years have run their course and today, at the beginning of the Twentieth Century, no less than one hundred doctors attended to their professional duties within the limits of Champaign County. And while it may be questionable taste for an individual member of this hundred to speak of the whole in complimentary terms, nevertheless, the writer will speak his mind and say: There are few localities of like extent that have better, all-around physicians than Champaign County. And taken as a whole their average attainments, in character, in morals, in citizenship, is commendably high.

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