

## THE LATE DR. S. R. KENKINS

"We in this Province are proud of our many illustrious sons, and we are justly proud. Our honor roll is long and it is brilliantly emblazoned. But on that honor roll, I feel that no name will shine with greater effulgence than the name of that beloved physician whose magic touch relieved and healed many suffering souls, that perfect citizen who always strove for the uplift of the community in which he lived, that friend of us all whose generous personality, whose high ideals, whose kindly sympathy were always a benediction." Such was the tribute paid by Mr. J. D. Stewart of Charlottetown, to the late Dr. S. R. Jenkins.

Dr. Jenkins had a long and distinguished career. Born in Charlottetown seventy-one years ago, he studied in the Public Schools, at St. Peter's School, at King's College and at the University of Pennsylvania, whence he graduated with his medical degree in 1884.

During his long career he has done untold good to the Poor and the Suffering of Charlottetown. Many a time his skilful hand stayed death, and his cheerful words and kind fatherly smile won back to health those who had scarcely the energy or even the desire to live. Only those who received his ministrations can appreciate his noble, unselfish and skilful work.

Although he rose to the highest point in the medical profession, his time was not devoted to this alone. He was prominent in military circles, holding the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel; a Conservative in politics, he represented the Charlottetown district in the Local Legislature during two terms. He was also a member of the City School Board for thirty years; in fact, he was identified with everything which tended to the advancement of the public good.

Always a friend of St. Dunstan's, Dr. Jenkins was more closely associated with us since 1918, in which year he succeeded the late Dr. Conroy as House Physician. In him St. Dunstan's mourns a staunch supporter and a true and loyal friend.

Dr. Jenkins died as he wished to die, on active duty. He was ill less than a week; and on Sunday evening, September 15, just as the sun broke through the clouds,

to give a parting benediction to the earth, Dr. Jenkins said "good-bye" to his loved ones and went to meet his God.

It is difficult to pay fitting tribute to the character of Dr. Jenkins. He was a man above the ordinary class of men—a man who always acted from the highest motives, without a thought of self—a man who lived not merely for this world, but also for the world to come. The world recognized his splendid character and paid tribute to it, not only after his death, but ever while he lived. We feel that the words of the Poet could ever have been applied to him:

"But on he moves to meet his latter end,  
Angels around befriending virtue's friend;  
Bends to the grave with unperceiv'd decay,  
While resignation gently slopes the way;  
And, all his prospects brightening to last,  
His heaven commences ere the world be past."

"Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him!"

—G. P. M.

