Dr. Thomas G. Hamilton, MD, FACS

CMA President, 1922
Manitoba Medical College, 1903
General practice, general surgery

Dr. Hamilton set up a private practice in Winnipeg in 1910. He served as President of the Manitoba Medical Association in 1921-22 and was founder and first editor of the *Manitoba Medical Bulletin*. He was also elected to a seat in the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba before assuming the CMA Presidency. Dr. Hamilton, who died in 1935, is also remembered for his interest in spirituality and his attempts to communicate with the dead via séances and use of the Ouija board. This interest developed after his three-year-old son died of the Spanish flu in 1919. His *CMAJ* obituary stated: “Considerable as [his medical] achievements were, it was his investigation of psychic phenomena that made him so widely known. [His research] brought him into contact with notable figures such as Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who attended a séance in Dr. Hamilton’s home.”