Dr. David Low, MD, CM, FRCSC

CMA President, 1925-26
McGill University, 1888
General practice, general surgery

In his obituary, CMAJ summed up Dr. Low’s career this way: “In ethical procedure he expressed himself forcefully on many occasions, but always impersonally; his profession was first, he himself last.” It added that when he arrived in Regina to practise in 1890 it was a village, and by the time he died it had been transformed into a city of 60,000 people. His influence extended beyond the CMA because he was also “a forceful figure” in fighting for the establishment of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. A colleague wrote: “He fought alike the elements of snow, frost, blizzard, mud and slough to carry the benefits of medical science to the unfortunate that they might live.” Dr. Low died in 1941.