Dr. Henry B. Small

CMA President, 1918
McGill University, 1880
General practice

Dr. Small practised in Ottawa from the time he graduated from McGill University. “When he began Ottawa was a lusty lumbering town,” his obituary in CMAJ stated, “and his first patients were the injured sawmill workers that came to his office.” In those early years Ottawa had but 17 physicians. “He was one of the first physicians here to use ether, and the first to use an automobile to make rounds,” his obituary added. His service to the CMA extended beyond the Presidency, because he served as the Association’s honorary treasurer for 25 years. He died in 1949 at age 94, and his notebooks containing lectures on physiology by Sir William Osler are in the Osler Library at McGill.