LIVES OF THE PRESIDENTS



Henry Haswell Head

Born: 1820

President: 1878-1880

Died: 1910

Henry Haswell Head graduated with an MD in medicine from the University of Edinburgh in 1843 with a thesis *On the Extent to Which Several Forms of Mental Alienation Affect Man's Freedom of Action*.

He was in Ireland the following year when he gained the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. In 1864, Head was admitted a Licentiate of the Irish College of Physicians, receiving his Fellowship two years later. He was elected President in 1878.

Head practiced in Dublin where he held appointments at the medical office of the South City General Dispensary and as consulting Physician to the Adelaide Hospital. He published papers on fatty degeneration of the diaphragm and on auscultation as an aid to diagnosis. On 14 March 1863 he married Harriet Nugent in Monkstown, Dublin and they had one daughter, born in 1871.

Henry Haswell Head died in 1910.

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