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In the demise of W. W. Allport, at one o'clock this morning, there disappears from the scenes of human activity a remarkable character; one of the few remaining connecting links between this and the past generation of dentists. As the late Dr. Watt was the principal figure in the central-western states, so Dr. Allport was one of the principal figures in the West. A man of strong individuality, one whose friendships were as warm and permanent as his enmities were cold and relentless. He was popular for his true worth to the profession, for his amiability to young men, admired for the courage to express and put into execution his convictions whether they pleased or displeased. As a gentleman, Dr. Allport was one of the few remaining of the "statesman type" of the generation just preceding the days of Lincoln. In latter years his talents as a shrewd politician with many of the abilities of the statesman, were frequently brought into play. As a dentist and a skillful operator he ranked with the foremost in the profession. A fluent and able speaker, one whose presence always commanded respect, he was a welcome individual at dental gatherings, and as a writer of more than ordinary interest he will be remembered with gratification by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. Those who receive this extra edition of The Dental Tribune will undoubtedly join us in the expression of regret that he has not been spared to be present at the crowning event of his profession this summer.

Obituary.

W. W. ALLPORT, M. D., D. D. S.

Dr. Walter Webb Allport died at 1 o'clock this morning at his home, 69 Maple street, after an illness of five weeks. His death was due to meningitis, preceded by erysipelas. He leaves a widow, who has been
making a European tour for the last six months, and four grown children.

Dr. Walter Webb Allport was born at Lorain, Jefferson Co., N. Y., June 10, 1824. He was of English descent, and Sir James Allport, one of the greatest railroad men in England, and Dean Allport, were his cousins. In 1844 he entered the office of Prof. Amasa Trowbridge, at Watertown, to study medicine. In 1846 he determined to devote his attention to dentistry, and in 1853 entered the New York Dental College in the capacity of student and demonstrator. He graduated from that institution in 1853, removed to Chicago in 1854, and has practiced his profession here ever since. He married Miss Sarah Maria Haddock, at Watertown, in 1847.

In 1858 Dr. Allport was elected President of the Western Dental Society; in 1860 he was elected chairman of the American Dental Association at its organization; in 1865 he was elected President of the American Dental Convention, and in 1886 he was elected President of the American Dental Association. In 1881 Rush Medical College conferred on him the honorary degree of M. D., and for many years he was Emeritus Professor of Dental Surgery in that institution and in the Chicago College of Dental Surgery. He was a member of the dental section in the Ninth International Medical Congress, which met in Washington in 1887, and was made Vice-President of the section. He was one of the organizers of the Chicago Microscopical Society, and for a long while its President. He was largely instrumental in the organization of the American Dental Association. He was also the editor for two years of the *People's Dental Journal*.

Dr. Allport was a man of venerable and distinguished appearance, with a commanding figure, a noble head, and features expressive of intelligence, precision, honesty and courage. He was pleasing and affable in manner, easily approached by young men, always ready to learn, and with an unfailing charitable instinct. Like all positive characters he had devoted friends and unforgiving enemies. He was a member of Grace Episcopal Church and was once a Mason, but he belonged to no club and no secret order.

Announcements of the time when the body will lie in state and the time of the funeral will be found in the Chicago daily press to-morrow. The interment will be at Graceland Cemetery.