

Mc Dougall (G.)



WAR DEPARTMENT,  
SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE,

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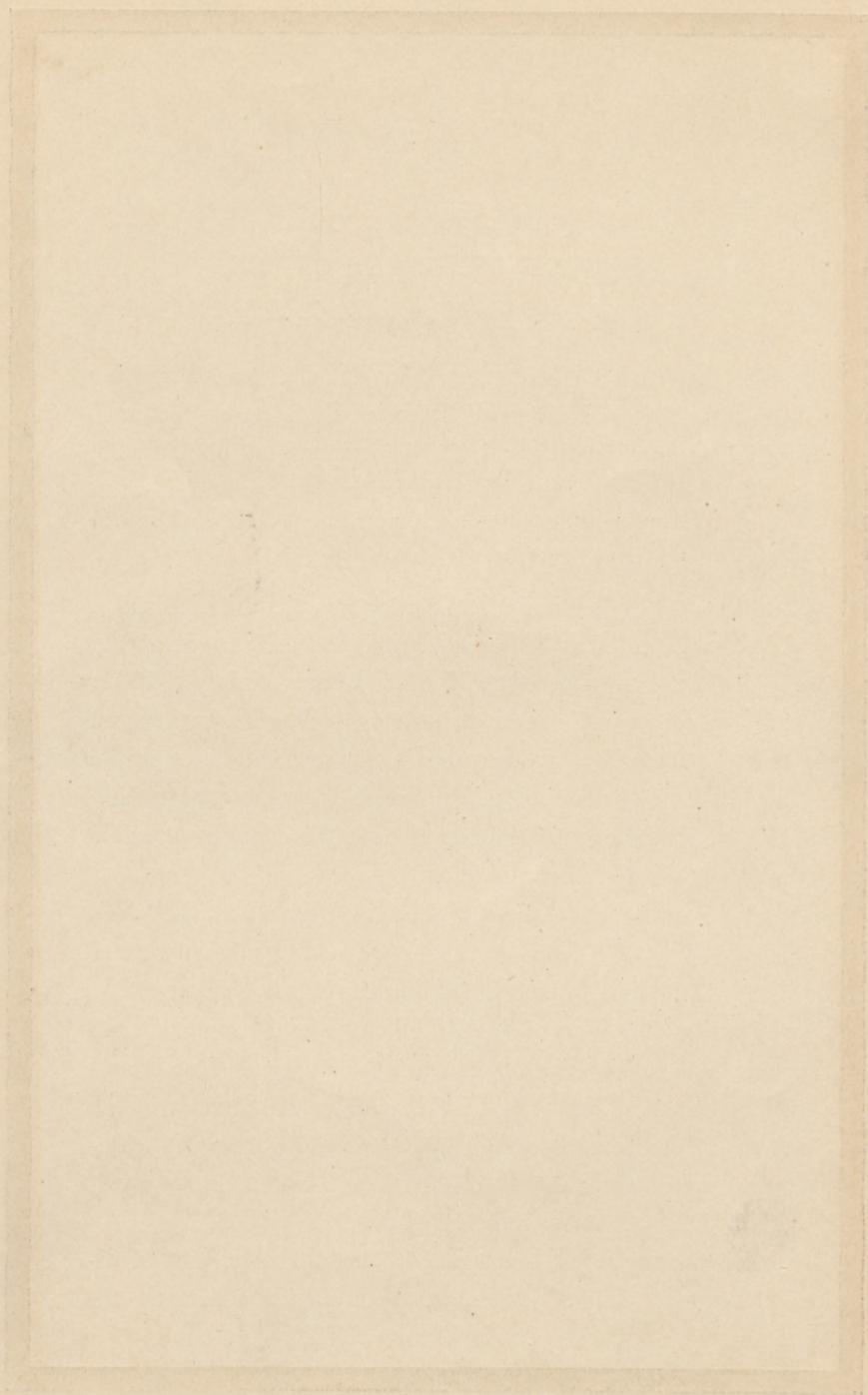
In the death of Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General Charles McDougall, Surgeon, U. S. Army (retired), which occurred at Fairfield, Clarke County, Virginia, July 25, 1885, the officers of the Medical Department are called upon to mourn the loss of one of the oldest and most honored of their comrades.

Born at Chillicothe, Ohio, September 21, 1804, Surgeon McDougall entered the service as an Assistant Surgeon July 13, 1832; was promoted to Major and Surgeon July 7, 1838; and during an active service of thirty-seven years participated in the various and arduous duties of a medical officer in the field and in garrison, in peace, war and epidemic, acquitting himself with honor and distinction in the many responsible positions to which he was called.

In his earlier service he took an active part in the Black Hawk War of 1833; in the Creek and Seminole wars of 1838-41 in Florida, and in frontier duty in the west.

During the War of the Rebellion he held prominent and important positions as a member of the Army Medical Examining Board in New York, 1861; as Medical Director of the Army of the Tennessee, 1862; as Medical Director of the Department of the East, 1862-4, and as Medical Purveyor at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1865.

He was appointed Lieutenant Colonel and Assistant Medical Purveyor July 28, 1866, on which duty he continued un-



til retired from active service February 22, 1869, under the act of Congress of July 17, 1862.

For faithful and meritorious services during the war he received the brevet of Colonel November 29, 1864, and of Brigadier General March 13, 1865.

By Surgeon McDougall's death is sundered one more of the links which connects the Army of to-day with the older generation, the lives and deeds of whom are rapidly passing into history.

In every sense an officer and a gentleman of the old school, his strict integrity, assiduous devotion to duty and high professional attainments commanded the respect of all; while his social disposition, courtesy of manner and kindness of feeling endeared him to a wide circle of friends, in whose love and gratitude his memory will be long cherished.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "R Murray". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent initial "R".

*Surgeon General, U. S. Army.*

