

## DR. HOLLISTER CALLED

Well Known Physician and Citizen  
Passed Away This Morning

Dr. William L. Hollister died at his home on South Main street at 6:30 this morning after a brief illness of six hours with acute pneumonia. Dr. Hollister was about his home as customary yesterday and apparently in his usual health. About midnight he was seized with acute pneumonia and failed rapidly.

The passing of Dr. Hollister will come as sad news, to not only the people of this city and immediate community but throughout the county, for he had a wide acquaintanceship. Nor will the loss be felt within this county alone for there are hundreds of families, to whom Dr. Hollister used to administer as physician, who have moved to other towns and other states.

Dr. Hollister won his way to the hearts of the people of this community when he was an active physician, responding to calls for his aid, through all kinds of weather, at all hours, in a land where there were no good roads and when travel often had to be on horse back. He knew all of the hardships that came to the early

practitioner. For almost half a century he has been a resident of this city, living for the past 49 years in the house in which he died. There were few in this city who did not know him as a friend. In his prime he was greatly interested in all movements for the development of our city. He took an active part in all public affairs. For the past four years the doctor has not been active along these lines on account of his age and health but he has kept in touch with them. He loved to work in his garden and was one of the first to gather the products of the garden in the spring.

Dr. Hollister was born in Sharon, Schoharie county, New York, January 9, 1837. When two years of age his parents moved to Montgomery in the same state. He spent his boyhood on his father's farm and attended the schools in the neighborhood. He graduated from the Albany Medical college in 1861 and was married on the anniversary of his birth, January 9, 1862 to Mary E. Beatty of Coxsackie, N. Y. He began the practice of medicine at Stuyvesant, N. Y., and after two years there moved to Kingston where he stayed until 1867. That year

he came west and located at Lansing, this county, which at that time bid fair to be a city before Austin. In 1871 he came to Austin and moved in to the house that has been his home for about 50 years. About 20 years ago he retired from the active practice of medicine.

Dr. Hollister was an ardent republican and in 1882 he was elected senator from this district and at the close of that term of service became internal revenue agent. In 1907 he was elected to represent this district in the legislature. For many years he was county commissioner and pension examiner.

Dr. Hollister has been a Mason for many years. He was one of the charter members of Austin Lodge of Elks and one of its first officers.

On January 9, 1912, Dr. and Mrs. Hollister celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, at which time hundreds of old time friends paid them honor.

He is survived by his wife and his son Lansing O. the well known merchant. Two other children died in their infancy. He leaves no brothers or sisters. There will be funeral services at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The Masons will act as escort to the body and will have charge of the services at Oakwood cemetery chapel.