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ALBERT EDWARD WEBSTER

Dr. Albert Edward Webster had completed forty-three years of service as a dental teacher when he passed away on November 5, 1936. He was one of the pioneer teachers in the School of Dentistry of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario which, in 1925, became the Faculty of Dentistry of the University of Toronto. He was one of the most picturesque figures among dental educationists and one of the most beloved. His whole life was devoted to the development of dental science and to the improvement of teaching methods.

Born at Creemore, Ontario, in 1867, Albert Webster received his early education there, and later attended Collingwood Collegiate Institute and the Bradford Model School. After teaching public school for two years, he commenced his professional studies at the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, and graduated in 1893. The following year he attended the School of Dentistry at Toronto. He later returned to Chicago and completed studies at the Rush Medical College, receiving the degree of M.D. Dr. Webster never intended to practice Medicine but the knowledge acquired in several of the basic sciences was invaluable to him in his chosen profession.

While carrying on the private practice of Dentistry in Toronto, for some years after his graduation, Dr. Webster devoted part time to teaching in the School of Dentistry. After holding various positions, he was appointed Professor of Operative Dentistry in 1906, which chair he filled until his retirement. He also served as Dean of the Faculty for eight years.

A.E.WEBSTER. LDS., DDS., MD.

- 1893-94. Demonstrator Dental Technic & Prosthetics.
- 1894-95. same.
- 1895-96. Demohstrator Operative Dentistry, Dental Technic & Prosthetics.
- 1896-97. same.
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- 1899-00. Demonstrator Operative Dentistry, Dental Technic and Orthodontia.  
Professor Orthodontia.
- 1900-01. Demonstrator Operative Dentistry, Dental Technic and Orthodontia. Practical Bacteriology.  
Professor Orthodontia.
- 1901-02. Demonstrator Operative Dentistry, Dental Technic and Orthodontia, Practical Bacteriology.  
Professor Orthodontia.
- 1902-03. Demonstrator Operative Dentistry, Dental Technic and Orthodontia, Practical Bacteriology.  
Professor Orthodontia.
- 1903-04. Demonstrator Operative Dentistry, Dental Technic and Orthodontia.  
Professor Orthodontia.
- 1904-05. same.
- 1905-06. "
- 1906-07. Professor Operative Dentistry & Dental Pathology.  
Professor Orthodontia.  
Demonstrator Operative Technic.
- 1907-08. Professor Operative Dentistry & Dental Pathology.  
Demonstrator Operative Technic.



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When Dr. Webster resigned as Professor of Operative Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Toronto, in June, 1936, he had completed 43 years' service as a dental teacher.

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