Joseph Boyle McKay

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Death of Dr. J. B. McKay. — Many who had benefited by his skill as a doctor and numerous other friends will regret the passing of Dr. Joseph Boyle McKay, M.D. M.Ch., which occurred at his residence, Cypress Cottage, St. John's-road, on Wednesday in his 80th year. Dr. McKay commenced practice in the borough 38 years ago in succession to Dr. G. M. Lowe, and he had shown outstanding skill both as a surgeon and general practitioner. For many years he conducted a private nursing home at Holyrood House, Pyle-street, and for 21 years he was school medical officer. He was the first to hold that important office and was responsible for much valuable pioneer work in improving the health of schoolchildren. His large practice left him little time for leisure, but in earlier days he occasionally hunted with the I.W. Foxhounds and almost all his spare time in recent years he devoted to the care of his garden, of which he was very fond. Dr. McKay came from an Irish family. He leaves a widow, formerly Miss Morey, and one son, Mr. Kenneth B. McKay, who is a medical student. They have the sincere sympathy of all in their bereavement. It was the doctor's wish that his remains should be cremated and there should be no floral tributes.

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The late Dr. J. B. McKay. — Following cremation at South Stoneham on Saturday morning the ashes of the late Dr. J. B. McKay were, by his request, scattered in his garden at Cypress Cottage during the afternoon.. The Vicar of St. John's (the Rev W. H. Mackinnon) conducted a service at St. John's Church at which only the members of the family and close friend were present, and the Vicar afterward scattered ashes during a short committal service. Messrs. O. C. Hamilkton and Son made the arrangements for the cremation.

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