

DR. HARRIS HOUGHTON, RETIRED PHYSICIAN. 72

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LYONS, N. J., Sept. 3—Dr. Harris Ayres Houghton, retired New York physician who specialized in internal medicine and metabolism, died yesterday in the United States Veterans Hospital here after a long illness. His age was 72.

Born in Elmira, N. Y., son of Dr. O. A. Houghton, a Methodist clergyman, and Mrs. Susan Ayres Houghton, Dr. Houghton received an A. B. degree in 1895 from Syracuse University and an M.D. from the university's School of Medicine in 1901. He practiced for many years in New York, where he had an office at 140 East Fifty-fourth Street. He also had practiced in Woodstock, N. Y., where he served as health officer.

Dr. Houghton was an authority on blood pressure and wrote a paper on that subject which was published in 1932 in The Philadelphia Medical Journal under the title "The Coefficient of Correlation Between Ambard's Renal Salt Threshold and Systolic Arterial Pressure."

He was formerly associated with the Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital and with the Bay-side and Greenpoint Hospitals. He served as a captain in the Army Medical Corps in the first World War.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Katherine Fulton of Jackson Heights, Queens, and a son, William E. Houghton of Ridgewood, N. J.

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