

Nashville Republican Banner, May 9, 1871.

“There is hardly a man or woman in Nashville but will lament the death of Dr. William H. Wharton. He died at a quarter of 6 o’clock yesterday afternoon, May 8th, in his seventy-fifth year. Dr. Wharton was born in Albemarle County, Virginia on July 10, 1797. He came to Tennessee when quite a youth and obtained a common school education. He returned to his native state at the age of 15 years where he was classically educated. He studied medicine under his uncle, Dabney Wharton, and graduated in Philadelphia in 1818. From this time until prevented by old age, he practiced his profession. He at one time engaged in the drug business in Huntsville Alabama, and in Tuscumbia in that state, was married to Miss Priscilla Dickson, after which he returned to Nashville in the year 1841, having been chosen pastor of the Christian Church, which position he filled for several years, both preaching and attending to the duties of his profession as a physician. Such was the manner of his life. About the beginning of the war he was chaplain at the penitentiary for one or two years. He was elected State Librarian by the last General Assembly, which office he held at the time of his death. He was the father of nine children by his first wife, after whose death he married Mrs. Mary A. Dally. The physicians of the city are requested to meet in the office of Dr. Paul F. Eve, at 3 o’clock this P.M. to pay their respects to the lamented dead.”