

Captain Colebourn, following the end of the war, remained in England for a short while to further his veterinary education and training by taking a post graduate course at the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in London, England. He was subsequently accorded the title of Member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (M.R.C.V.S.) following his successful graduation from that institution.

On returning to Canada in early 1920, he went directly to Winnipeg his former place of residence. He then opened his own veterinary practice located at 471 McMillan Avenue and practiced there until 1926 at which time because of declining health, gave up his practice to accept a position with his former employer the Department of Agriculture, Health of Animals Branch of the Dominion Government as a veterinarian specializing in post-mortem work.

Although his health was not good, he did manage to maintain his military relationship with the Fort Garry Horse as their Veterinary Officer from January 15, 1921, with the rank of Major until his retirement from the military on April 15, 1929.

Throughout his 21½ years of service with the Department of Agriculture, Dominion Government of Canada until his retirement on May 19, 1945, he continued to maintain his small animal private practice on a reduced scale. He built a small animal hospital at the rear of the family home located at 600 Corydon Avenue where he dedicated many hours of paid and unpaid service to the numerous animals and their owners of that time. His dedicated love of animals prevailed throughout his life span until his untimely death on September 24, 1947, due to a fall down the basement stairs of his home.

Father also served on the Executive of the Army and Navy Veterans in Canada, Fort Garry Unit #60 then located at 291 Garry Street during World War Two.

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