

WHY DOES CROWTHER HAVE A STATUE?



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"...he had met Dr. Crowther at the bedside of the poor, more than any other man in the colony."

- Mr. Cox in *Meeting of Dr Crowthers Friends (The Mercury: 20/04/1869)*

"As a professional gentleman he has earned for himself a widespread gratitude, having through a long and honourable career given his time, his talents, and often his money to the relief of suffering humanity, with the prospect of no other reward than the consciousness of having done a good deed."

- Reverend H.C. Hancock in *Obituary; The Hon W. L. Crowther (The Mercury: 13/04/1885)*

Whether or not Dr William Crowther was responsible for the mutilation of William Lanne is contested. What has not been contested, but rather unfortunately ignored in this modern day, is Dr Crowther's great services to the people of Hobart, services which manifest today as the existence of those who's ancestors owe their survival to Dr William Crowther. To quote the Launceston Examiner (10/01/1889):

"This memorial may remind future generations that even monuments may perish, but deeds — good or bad — never die"