

## Thomas B. Mohun (1853 – 28 Jun 1914)

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### **Dr. Thomas Mohun**



Dr. Thomas B. Mohun, the physician and surgeon of this expedition, is 40 years old and a native of Washington. His father was a lumber merchant and one of the early residents of the capital. Dr. Mohun was educated for business, but in 1882 retired from commercial life and took up medicine, graduating from the medical department of Columbian university. He was for one year resident physician of the Washington Asylum hospital, when his desire for travel and change of scenes led him to the far northwest. He practiced for a year at Seattle, and then made a professional trip to Alaska and return. He returned to Washington three years ago and has been in general practice ever since. Having spent nearly all his life in this city, he is well known here and as generally liked. He was house surgeon of the hospital maintained at the G.A.R. camp in Washington during the summer of 1892, and through an arduous service of six days and nights, practically without sleep, won the admiration of all concerned. Dr. Mohun's professional experience has been of such varied and responsible character that the members of the Walter Wellman north polar expedition of 1894 confidently place their lives and limbs in his keeping. Dr. Mohun is unmarried.

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### **Return of Dr. T.B. Mohun**

Dr. T.B. Mohun has returned here from an extensive trip through Mexico in the interest of a mining enterprise. As stated in a telegram published in The Star, Dr. Mohun has brought with him information concerning the discovery of three or four hundred skeletons, whom he believed to be of Chinese, by whom he holds that the country was settled. As soon as Dr. Mohun has recovered his usual health he will return to Mexico.

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### **Dr. Mohun's Skeletons**

#### **Dr. W.J. McGee Not Inclined to the Belief That They Are Chinese**

Dr. W.J. McGee, in charge of the bureau of ethnology, has not yet had an opportunity to study the photographs and other evidence brought here by Dr. Mohun relating to a find of 300 or 400 skeletons in Mexico. But Dr. McGee is not inclined to the belief that these are skeletons of Chinese, as hinted at by Dr. Mohun, nor until after very careful investigation will he be likely to accept the suggestion that they are exclusively skeletons of women. There are tribes of Indians whose cranial formation, size of bodies and color of hair might very closely resemble the Chinese. Dr. McGee has long been acquainted with the "skeleton caves" west of the locality described by Dr. Mohun, and for several years has been planning to visit them. It is quite likely that within the next year or two he will be able to go there, and if he does so he will be able to visit the locality described by Dr. Mohun. He regards Dr. Mohun's discovery as of great interest as a basis for investigation.

**Mohun.** On Sunday, June 28, 1914 at 3:30 a.m., at Providence Hospital, Dr. Thomas B. Mohun, in his 61st year. Interment private.