

## Dr. Clemente Courtenay Ligoure (1885-1922)

Dr. C.C. Ligoure was the first Black doctor in Nova Scotia, and had a medical practice in Halifax at the time of the explosion. He was born in Trinidad, then lived in Brooklyn, and came to Nova Scotia after completing his medical training at Queen's University. During his time in Halifax, he also served as Publisher and Editor of the Atlantic Advocate, the province's first Black newspaper. Ligoure's office and clinic (the Amanda Hospital) were located at 166 (now 5812) North Street.

Dartmouth artist and playwright David Woods is the author of the play Extraordinary Acts: African Nova Scotian experiences during the 1917 Halifax Explosion, which celebrates Ligoure's exceptional efforts in treating the injured in the aftermath of the disaster.





Portrait of Dr. C.C. Ligoure, Queen's University Detail of ad for his practice, from NS Archives