

In Memoriam.

Mr. EDWARD THOMAS TYSON, J.P., who died on August 7th, 1923, at his residence, Wood Hall, Cockermouth, had been a member of our Society since 1878. He was elected to the Council in 1891, and a vice-president in 1905, and he contributed to these *Transactions* papers on "The Senhouses, Stewards of Holme" (o.s. vi) and "The Spurious 'Julia Matima' stone at Orchard Wyndham" (o.s. v).

Mr. JAMES PROCTER WATSON, J.P., of Garth Marr, Castle-carrock, died on September 21st, 1923, aged 80. A member since 1896, well known at our meetings and a most kindly supporter of our Society's objects, he will be greatly missed.

The REV. JOHN HARDEN CLAY, M.A., Hon. Canon of Bristol Cathedral, a member of our Society from 1919, died at his residence Miller Bridge, Ambleside, on October 31st, 1923, aged 75. The son of the Rev. John Clay and Mrs. Clay of Miller Bridge (daughter of John Harden, sometime of Brathay Hall) he was educated at Repton and Trinity College, Cambridge, and was rector of St. Michael's, Bristol, until he retired in 1918 to live at Ambleside. To one of his daughters we owe the valuable book on "Hermits and Anchorites of England."

Mr. NATHANIEL NICHOLSON THOMPSON died at St. Bees on November 17th, 1923. He was born in 1858, eldest son of John Thompson, solicitor, of Egremont, and educated at St. Bees, Sedbergh and St. John's College, Cambridge. He was brother of the late W. N. Thompson, whose work in these *Transactions* and on "Bishop Halton's Register" was of such value to our Society; and Mr. N. N. Thompson himself contributed a series of ancient documents to our volumes n.s. xv, xvi, xviii and xix, and to n.s. xxi information about St. Michael's chapel at Rottington. He also gave great help in the compilation of Sedbergh School Register and was well known as a cricketer and golfer. He was a captain in the old Volunteers, resigning when they were reconstituted as the Territorials (P. H. Fox.).

Although he was not a member of our Society we cannot but note with deep regret the loss, in November last, of GEORGE

NEILSON, LL.D., whom many of us have met on pilgrimages to the Wall and esteemed highly for his work on various historical aspects of the Border. Born at Ruthwell, Dumfriesshire, in 1858, educated at King William's College, Isle of Man, and Glasgow University, he became in 1891, Procurator Fiscal and in 1910 Stipendiary Magistrate of Glasgow, but spared time for antiquarian research and held a high position in various Scottish societies, and among friends to whom he was cordially helpful. The editing of the late R. L. Bremner's posthumous work on "the Norsemen in Alban," which appeared recently, must have been the last of many debts we owe to Dr. Neilson's great learning and industry.

Mr. JOHN MARSHALL, J.P., of the Island, Derwentwater, died on December 23rd, 1923, aged 54. He joined our Society in 1894, and though he did not contribute articles to these volumes, he was helpful to us in matters connected with the National Trust, as he was also helpful to the Keswick neighbourhood and to the Lake District in general and to all with whom he came in contact.

The Hon. SIR JOSEPH TURNER HUTCHINSON, who died at Ravenglass on January 20th, 1924, in his 74th year, had been a member since 1913. The son of Isaac Hutchinson of Braystones he was educated at St. Bees School and Christ's College, Cambridge, and called to the Bar at the Middle Temple in 1879. In April 1888, he went to the Gold Coast as Queen's Advocate and in the following January was appointed Chief Justice. In 1895, the year in which he was knighted, he was transferred to Grenada in the West Indies as Chief Justice, and was appointed to the same post in Cyprus, 1898, and in Ceylon, 1906. After his retirement in 1911 he settled in Cumberland, of which he was High Sheriff in 1918.

The Very Rev. HASTINGS RASHDALL, D.D., Dean of Carlisle, was a vice-president of our Society from 1917 to his death on February 9th, 1924, a great loss to the study of history and theology, of which he was a distinguished exponent. He was born in 1858 and educated at Harrow and New College, Oxford. His essay on "the Universities of the Middle Ages," which took a university prize in 1883, was amplified later into a book which is the standard authority on the subject, full of picturesque incident and suggestive thought. He was for a while lecturer at Lampeter, tutor at Durham, fellow of Hertford College, Oxford, chaplain and theological tutor of Balliol, and fellow of New College. He took the degree of D.Litt. in 1901, and became

a fellow of the British Academy in 1909. In 1910 he was appointed a canon of Hereford and in 1917 Dean of Carlisle and Hon. Fellow of New College, Oxford. He held honorary degrees from Glasgow, St. Andrews and Durham. Of his theological work, we may name "Doctrine and Development" (1889), his Bampton lectures on "The Idea of the Atonement," "The Ultimate Basis of Theism" (1902), "Christus in Ecclesia" (1905), "The Theory of Good and Evil" (1907), "Philosophy and Religion" (1909), "Is Conscience an Emotion?" (1914), "Conscience and Christ" (1916) and "Jesus, Human and Divine" (1922), his last book.

The Rev. Canon JOSEPH THOMAS FOWLER, F.S.A., D.C.L., although not a member, contributed to these *Transactions*, N.S. xii, a valuable article on the ancient glass at Cartmel Fell church. Born June 9th, 1833 at Winterton, Lincs., he studied at St. Thomas's Hospital and began life as a medical man. In 1858 he entered Durham University, studying Hebrew and theology, and after his ordination and first curacy, went for six years to Hurstpierpoint as chaplain and precentor. During that period he studied church bells and campanology, and returning to Durham became vice-principal of Hatfield Hall and an antiquary of very high standing, widely known by his work for the Surtees Society and contributions to various publications. He retired to Winterton in 1917, where he died March 22nd, 1924, aged 90.

MR. WILLIAM BROWN, B.A., Trinity College, Cambridge, barrister-at-law of Lincoln's Inn; J.P.; F.S.A., and Hon. D.Litt. (Durham), had been a member of our Society since 1904, and contributed to these *Transactions* notes on "Ensign Simon Bowness" (N.S. iv, 353), "Seventeenth-century Nonconformists" (N.S. xvi, 302), "Stephen Asplon of Hepp" (N.S. xix, 169), "Caldbeck in 1642" (N.S. xxi, 276) and the transcript of the *Ordinacio* of Dalston (N.S. xxii, 18). It was also by his kind arrangement that Canon Wilson's "St. Bees" was issued to us jointly with the Surtees Society, of which Mr. Brown was president. He was a very important figure in the sister societies of the North of England and a most learned authority on the subject-matter of their work; no man was more valued by students or less inclined to bring himself before the general public. The son of Douglas Brown, Q.C., of Arncliffe Hall, Yorks., and of the heiress of the Mauleverers, he owned the well-known Priory of Mount Grace by long inheritance, until the property was sold to the late Sir Lowthian Bell. While he lived at Northallerton he was chairman of the bench of magistrates and editor to the

Yorkshire Archæological Society; eighteen years ago, he removed to The Old House, Sowerby, Thirsk, where he died on Sunday, July 20th, 1924, shortly after conducting the Bible class at St. Oswald's church.

Historical study has suffered a severe loss by the death in Norway, on August 17th, 1924, of Mr. WILLIAM FARRER, Hon. Litt. D. (Manchester), J.P. and C.C. for Westmorland, of Whitbarrow Lodge, Witherslack. Born on February 28th, 1861, the second son of William Farrer Ecroyd of Lomeshaye, Lancashire, and Credenhill, Herefordshire, he took the name by which he is best known under the will of his great uncle, William Farrer, in 1896. He was educated at Rugby and spent his earlier years in business at Nelson and at Bradford, but retired in 1896 and gave himself more completely to the work by which he is famous among students of the medieval period. He joined our Society in 1887 and in 1903 was elected a vice-president. To these *Transactions* he contributed "Notes on a Charter of Richard de Lucy" (N.S.ii), "The tenure of Westmorland" (N.S. vii) and "North Lonsdale after the Restoration" (N.S. xii); and his volume on "The Lancashire Pipe Rolls and Early Lancashire Charters" (1902) is frequently quoted, being for southern parts of our district what Prescott's "Wetheral" is for the north—the standard authority. Mr. Farrer also took a share in the Victoria County History of Lancashire and collected the material edited by Mr. J. F. Curwen as "Records of Kendale," of which the second volume, completing the work, is expected shortly. Other books of importance by him are "The Court Rolls of the Honor of Clitheroe," "The Cockersand Chartulary," "Lancashire Final Concords," "Lancashire Inquests and Extents," "Lancashire Court Rolls," "The Itinerary of Henry I," "Feudal Cambridgeshire," "Early Yorkshire Charters" and "Honors and Knights' Fees." All he wrote is distinguished by scholarly thoroughness and business-like method, giving it a place of honour among works of reference. This capacity for taking pains led in recent years to his position in the county of his adoption, where after succeeding our late treasurer, Major Argles, in 1917 as County Councillor he was pressed into the service of the Education Authority, the committees for County Records, Roads and Bridges, Land Drainage and Small Holdings, and became active and greatly valued in all these varied capacities. Not only antiquarian interests but the public in general will regret his untimely death.