

## In Memoriam.

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The Rev. Canon LEGH RICHMOND AYRE, M.A., vicar of Holy Trinity, Ulverston, died on June 14th, 1905, in his 79th year. He was educated at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, graduating in 1850, and came into the diocese of Carlisle in 1860 as vicar of Rusland. In 1873 he was presented to the living of Holy Trinity, Ulverston; in 1878 he was appointed rural dean of Ulverston, and in 1896 he was collated to an honorary canonry of Carlisle Cathedral. Canon Ayre did much towards popularizing the antiquities of his adopted neighbourhood, editing *The North Lonsdale Magazine* (new series) and a curious little book, *The Antiquities of Furness*, by W. Fell, S.B. (School Boy), 1777. He was joint editor with the late Canon Bardsley of *The Chronicles of the Church and Town of Ulverston*, and author of a history of Holy Trinity Church and a guide to Ulverston and the Lake District. He was elected a member of our Society in 1887, and in September of that year read short papers on Swarthmoor Hall and Meeting-house (these *Transactions*, ix., p. 398).

The Very Rev. W. G. HENDERSON, D.D., Dean of Carlisle, died on Sunday night, September 24th, 1905, in his 87th year. Headmaster successively of Victoria College, Jersey; Magdalen College School, Oxford, and Leeds Grammar School, he was appointed to the deanery of Carlisle at the age of 64 without having ever held a parochial cure. He was elected a member of our Society in 1884, and vice-president in the same year.

The Rev. Canon JOHN JAMES THORNLEY, who died at Kirkoswald Vicarage on December 1st, 1905, aged 63, graduated at St. John's College, Cambridge, and was ordained deacon in 1865 and priest in the following year by the Bishop of Carlisle. Until 1871 he was curate of St. Michael's, Workington, under the late Rev. Henry Curwen, who then presented him to the vicariate of St. John's in the same town. In 1889 Bishop Goodwin appointed him honorary canon of Carlisle, and in 1892 he was preferred by Bishop Bardsley to the living of Kirkoswald. He became a member of our Society in 1897, and contributed to these *Transactions* papers on "Children's Games as played at Kirkoswald, Cumberland" (N.S., i., art. xxi.), and "Ring-marked Stones at Glassonby and Maughanby" (N.S., ii.,

art. xxv.); also a report on finds at Old Parks, Kirkoswald (N.S., iv., Addenda). At our meeting on August 28th, 1902, he read notes on Long Meg, intended as a contribution towards the full account of pre-historic sculptured stones, which he did not live to complete.

We have also to regret the loss of:—

Mrs. JAMES HARRISON, of Newby Bridge House, a member since 1881.

Mrs. F. W. CHANCE of Morton, a member since 1899, who died on August 2nd, 1905, a few days after the election of Mr. Chance as M.P. for Carlisle.

Mr. MARTIN HAIR, elected in 1893, and for some years a Town Councillor of Carlisle, who died November 25th, 1905.

The Rev. W. LOWTHIAN, M.A., of Queen's College, Oxford, vicar of Troutbeck, Windermere, a member since 1885, who died February 14th, 1906.

Mr. DAVID AINSWORTH of The Floss, Cleator, and Wray Castle, J.P., D.L., and formerly M.P. for West Cumberland, who died February 21st, 1906; elected a member in 1879.

Sir AUGUSTUS HELDER, formerly M.P. for Whitehaven, who died March 31st, 1906; a member from 1879 to 1904.