

In Memoriam.

Mr. HENRY PENFOLD, Border Syde, Brampton, who died last year after a long illness, was a useful and energetic member of our Society which he joined in 1900. He was elected a member of our Council in 1914, and until his retirement owing to ill-health rendered us very valuable assistance. He had a wide knowledge of the history, antiquities and folk-lore of our Border country and contributed several articles upon these subjects to the volumes of our *Transactions*, besides giving us his kind help on the occasions of our excursions in his district. He also, under the signature "Borderer," contributed for many years a valuable series of articles upon local history and archaeology to the *Carlisle Journal*. Up to the time of his final illness he was engaged in compiling an index of references to local history in the columns of the *Carlisle Patriot* and *Cumberland News*, and it is deeply to be regretted that his death brought to a premature conclusion a life devoted to the widening of our knowledge of the district which he loved so well. Our Society owes a debt of gratitude to his memory.

Mr. JOHN PETER SMITH. Born at Lancaster, May 17th, 1864, fifth son of Joseph Smith: educated at Preston Catholic Grammar School and Ampleforth College: in corn business in Liverpool. He was Mayor of Barrow-in-Furness, 1902-3 and 1911-12 and a Freeman of the City of London. He was author of *Donald Mill Hole* (Barrow Field Club), *Bishop Cornthwaite, his Ancestors and Relations* (privately printed, 1924), and was one of the founders of The Catholic Record Society and long a member of its Council. He was also on the Councils of the Lancashire Parish Record Society and the Lancashire and Cheshire Record Society, for which latter society he had the lists of Lancaster Freemen copied. He was also the author of *The Genealogist's Atlas of Lancashire* (1936).

He died at St. Annes-on-Sea, May 19th, 1941, and was buried in Barrow Cemetery. He was a member of our Society since 1897, a subscriber to our Parish Register Section and a frequent attendant at our meetings and excursions, in which he always took a keen interest.

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Mrs. DOROTHY ELFREDA ROPER. Only daughter of the late W. O. Roper, F.S.A. (long one of our Vice-Presidents and Town Clerk of Lancaster). She joined the Society in 1933 and gave a large number of her father's books and papers to the Lancaster Public Library. She died at "Greengarth," Yealand Conyers, 29th November, 1940. Her ashes, after cremation, were placed in her father's grave in Lancaster Cemetery. T.C.H.

Mr. GEORGE HENRY PATTINSON, who died at his residence, Gossel Ridding, Windermere, on June 15th, 1941, aged 85, was a man to whose memory all Westmorland owes a debt of gratitude. His long and strenuous career was devoted to public service, and he never spared himself in his labours on behalf of the county of his birth. As head of a well-known firm of contractors his name is associated with many important buildings and works of construction in Westmorland, but despite the many calls of his professional duties he found time to take a leading part in local administration. A member of the County Council for the long period of forty-six years, he became Chairman of that body in 1928 and as chairman of some of its most important Committees rendered signal services to the public. To him Westmorland owes many improvements in its system of roads, and his work for education will always be remembered with gratitude. He took a deep interest in agriculture and was at one time chairman of the committee of Newton Rigg farm. To his forethought and energy are also due many of the improvements in the amenities of Bowness and Windermere. He was a Justice of the Peace for Westmorland, an Alderman of the County Council and recently High Sheriff for Westmorland, an honour since accorded to his son, Mr. G. N. Pattinson.

He took an active interest in matters pertaining to the history and archaeology of his county and to him in no small degree is due the acquisition by the National Trust of the site of the Roman fort at Ambleside. He became a member of our Society in 1918 and was a subscriber to our Research Fund. He is survived by his three sons all of whom saw service in the last war. In him his county has lost one whose genial presence will be missed but whose work on its behalf will be of enduring value.

SIR HUGH WALPOLE, who died at his Lakeland home, Brackenburn, Manesty, near Keswick, on June 1st, 1941, aged 57, occupied a distinguished position in the literary world. It is unnecessary here to refer at length or in detail to the series of novels which have made his name famous. It is enough to remind the local

reader that his historical romances—the Herries chronicles—have done much to inspire the general public with a love for the scenery, topography and history of his chosen home, the Lake District. An indefatigable worker, Sir Hugh Walpole never spared himself in his attention to his public duties and was ever willing to lend his support to any society or institution associated with the interests of the country with which his ten years' residence in our midst had made him familiar. He joined our Society in 1926, and though his multifarious engagements elsewhere prevented his frequent attendance at our meetings, the present writer can testify to the keen interest he always displayed in our work. In him Lakeland has lost one of its truest admirers and a prominent and highly esteemed public character.

Mr. FRANCIS WILLIAM CREWDSON, who died at his residence, Green Close, the Old College, Windermere, on July 7th, 1941, aged 88, was throughout his long public career prominently associated with philanthropic work to which he ever gave generous and unstinted support. The last surviving member of a well-known local banking family, he in his earlier years assisted his cousins in the private bank of Wakefield, Crewdson and Co. Later, upon the amalgamation of that bank with the Bank of Liverpool, he was general manager of the Northern District of the latter bank until his retirement in 1921. He was a magistrate for Westmorland from 1896 and a member of the County Council from 1913 to 1928. Despite the many calls of his various public offices, he yet was able to devote some of his spare time to the pursuit of musical and artistic studies. He was at one time president of the Kendal Choral Society, and later, of the Windermere Orchestra in which he played the viola. He was a member of the Lake Artists' Society, and an exhibitor at its annual exhibitions. He was a trustee of the Fellside Sunday School at Kendal and at one time taught in that school; he moreover rendered willing and much valued help to the Church as a diocesan lay reader. Our own Society, of which he became a member as long ago as 1886, owes him a debt of gratitude for serving for many years as one of our honorary auditors, his wide business experience proving on many occasions of no small advantage to our interests. In him our district deplores the loss of a man of cultured taste, of charming courtesy and a staunch supporter of every good cause. He married in 1886 Miss Annie Whitwell, daughter of the late Mr. Isaac Whitwell Wilson, of Kendal. He is survived by his widow, his two sons and his three daughters.

Mr. J. RAYMOND LITTLE, The Common, Windermere, who died in February, 1942, was the son of the late Mr. William Little, Chapel Ridding, Windermere, an enthusiastic member of the Lake District Association and of the Windermere Council, who took an active interest in the preservation of public footpaths and other amenities of the country side. Mr. Raymond Little played a prominent part in the music and art of Westmorland. He occupied an official position in connection with the Lake Artists' Society, and was a regular exhibitor at its annual exhibitions. He was an accomplished musician, his instrument being the flute, and rendered valuable services to many orchestras taking part in concerts at Kendal and Windermere. He joined our Society in 1932. He is survived by his widow.

Miss H. M. DONALD, The Briary, Marlborough Gardens, Carlisle, who died in September, 1939, was a member of an old Carlisle family. Her brother, the late Colonel W. N. Donald, was Mayor of Carlisle and a president of the Carlisle Scientific and Literary Society, a society in which Miss Donald also took a keen interest, as well as in the Carlisle branch of the Historical Association. She joined our Society in 1894 and at one time regularly attended its meetings.

Miss BARROW, Yewgarth, Lancaster. A member of our Society since 1929.

Mr. CHARLES H. MERZ, 32, Victoria Street, London, S.W.1., who died in October, 1940. He joined our Society in 1928.

The REV. D. HARRISON, M.A., Dunthwaite, Cockermouth, who died in September, 1940. An old member of our Society which he joined in 1894.

Mrs. HORROCKS, Salkeld Hall, Langwathby, who took a prominent part in the work of many institutions whose aim was the welfare of Cumberland. She was an enthusiastic member of our Society which she joined in 1912 and her presence at our meetings and excursions will be missed by a wide circle of friends.

Mrs. E. WAKEFIELD, Kirkoswald, a member of our Society since 1927.

COL. I. BOIS, D.S.O., M.C., Haverbreaks House, Lancaster, a member of our Society since 1936.