

## In Memoriam.

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We regret to report the deaths of the following members:—

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*Election.*

- 1926 LIONEL A. T. JOHNSTON, Abbots Bay, Keswick.
- 1931 CHARLES E. LITTLE, George Peabody College for Teachers,  
Nashville, Tennessee, 4.
- 1932 MRS. MACINNES, Dykesfield, Burgh by Sands.
- 1945 J. DUCKWORTH, B.A., 1 Howard Place, Carlisle.
- 1946 MRS. L. T. GLASSON, The Grotto, Yanwath, Penrith.

### PROF. E. FABRICIUS.

News has now come to hand of the death, in 1943, of Professor Fabricius, who was elected an honorary member of the Society on 5 July, 1928. Ernst Fabricius won distinction as a young man for his researches in the Greek East, and for his masterly contributions to the study of Greek city-plans in particular; but from 1898, when he was appointed joint director of the German "Limeskommission," until just prior to the outbreak of the recent war, his principal concern was with the investigation of Roman frontier works in general, and those of Upper Germany and Raetia in particular; his article "Limes" in Pauly-Wissowa's *Realencyclopädie*, and the monumental series of reports long familiar to us as *O.R.L.*, will always keep fresh his record of more than forty years leadership in the field of Roman frontier studies. This is not the place to attempt a biography; but we may be proud to remember that he was for fifteen years an honorary member of this Society. It was in 1928, when he was already over seventy, and had recently retired from the Chair of Ancient History at Freiburg in Breisgau, that he visited our district, in order to familiarise himself with the problems and methods of Romano-British archaeology on Hadrian's Wall and in its neighbourhood; and from that time, until the outbreak of war in 1939 put an end to communications, he kept in close and continuous touch with those of our members who were working on the

problems of the Roman period. It would be difficult to exaggerate the value of his counsel, or his practical help in finding German parallels to structures or any of the bye-products of archaeology; and those of us who first met him at the Birdoswald excavations in 1928, and later visited him in his own home at Freiburg, will never forget his combination of great learning and humility (too rare a combination), of authority and charm.

E.B.