

MR. ROBERT GRAY, V.D.,
HONORARY TREASURER, 1920-31.

WE deeply regret to announce the death in May of Mr. Robert Gray, for so many years a member of Council, and for the last 11 years our most devoted Treasurer. He was born in 1854 (May 3) and just after he came of age he joined the Livery of the Vintners' Company, becoming in 1908 a member of the Court of Assistants and in 1913 Master, being the fourth Robert Gray to hold that office. His father, grandfather, and great-grandfather were Masters in 1886, 1842 and 1811 respectively. He was an active member of the Society of Literary Twaddlers; founder, trustee and chairman of the Wine and Spirit Trades' Benevolent Society, and a keen Volunteer and Territorial. He was nearly 61 when the Great War began, but went with the L.R.B. as a captain to Egypt. The climate was too severe for him, and he returned in 1916, invalided home.

He married twice and had two daughters by his first wife. His membership of our Society dated from 1905, and he was a very regular attendant at general meetings and council meetings, an indefatigable Treasurer, and an extremely simple, modest, kindly person.