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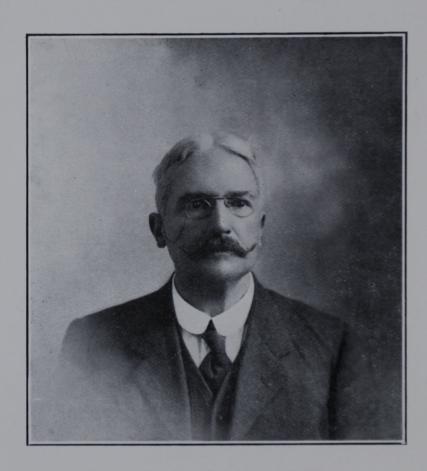
FREDERICK LIONEL DOVE, D.L., F.S.A., L.C.C.

The London and Middlesex Archaeological Society has sustained many severe losses during the last few years, and the death of Mr. F. L. Dove leaves a big gap. As a keen antiquarian and a lover of architecture, he brought a sympathetic mind to bear on the problems of buildingrestoration and reconstruction which it was his task, as governing director of the firm of Dove Brothers, to envisage. His firm was responsible for Australia House in the Strand, the Army and Navy Stores in Victoria Street, the Methodist Central Hall in Westminster and the Royal Air Force Memorial on the Embankment. His wide knowledge of church architecture helped him when his firm had to strengthen some of the pillars which carry the dome of St. Paul's, to restore St. Bartholomew the Great, West Smithfield, and Southwark Cathedral, as well as St. Mary-le-Bow, St. Martin'sin-the-Fields and St. Mary's, Islington. The foundations of the Law Courts and of University College School in Hampstead were also the work of his firm. Mr. Dove was for 25 years a member of the L.C.C. and was Vice-Chairman in 1928–29, and was associated with many important building organisations. He served on the Islington Vestry and its Borough Council, was patron and churchwarden of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Monken Hadley. He was responsible for the complete restoration of the Church Tower of Hadley, with its historic cresset.

All kinds of antiquarian and philanthropic societies claimed his loyal support. He was past Master of the



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Worshipful Company of Leathersellers and had a great deal to do with the building of the Chapel at the Leathersellers Almshouses at Barnet. He was an officer of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries and a member of Council and a Trustee of the London and Middlesex Archaeological Society. Sir William Ray spoke of him as a great Londoner and Canon Savage bore eloquent testimony to his devotion to ancient churches and his care in their loving restoration. He had never seen more reverence than had been shown by Sir Aston Webb and Mr. Dove in their efforts to preserve and restore the Church of St. Bartholomew.

Our Society sent a wreath in honour of Mr. Dove and Mr. Francis R. Taylor, the Honorary Director of Meet-

ings, attended on behalf of the Society.

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Mr. Whitear was an old and valued member of our Society and had been for many years a keen member of Council. He was 79 years of age when he died on 28th April, 1932, and had lived for many years in Chiswick, to whose history he had devoted much research. His chief hobby was the study of Pepys, and he was a very keen member of the Pepys Club. Following on the discovery by Mr. Walter G. Bell of the record of the birth of Samuel Pepys in the register of St. Bride's, Fleet Street, Mr. Whitear made a systematic examination of the surveys of London made after the Great Fire, and was able to identify the site of the house in Salisbury Court where the diarist was born. On his recommendation the Corporation of London has placed a tablet on the present house (the White Swan Public House) to commemorate the birth of Pepys.

Mr. Whitear had grangerised his copy of Wheatley's *Pepys*, and had increased it to 16 volumes with prints, portraits, etc. He published in 1927 *More Pepysiana*,