

**Arthur John Pressland, M.A.**

ARTHUR JOHN PRESSLAND, born in 1865, was a scholar of St John's College, Cambridge, graduated as Twelfth Wrangler in 1886, and, after teaching at Heidelberg and Brecon, was for thirty-five years a master at the Edinburgh Academy. He was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1892, was a Fellow also of the Mathematical Society of Edinburgh from 1890 to 1912, and contributed to its *Proceedings*. He made a successful study of Continental languages (including Russian) and of Continental methods of education, and acquired a knowledge of this latter very unusual in this country. He wrote a Report on *Physical Training in Switzerland* for the Royal Commission then sitting in 1902, published a translation of his friend Kerschensteiner's important work, *Education for Citizenship*, in 1911, and was himself the author of *Education and Welfare in Switzerland*. Placed at a disadvantage all through life by defective sight, he possessed a physical vigour and a quiet force of character which enabled him to do an immense amount of valuable work, sometimes in conditions that might have discouraged other men.

In 1925 he retired and settled at Cambridge, where he retained to the last his mental activity and effectual beneficence. An article appeared in an educational magazine last September headed "A New Occupation for Teachers," in which he described what a retired schoolmaster might do, and actually was doing, to help undergraduates. He died in Cambridge, unmarried, on October 8, 1934.

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