

Obituary

Dr Mason Jones was a loyal colleague, greatly respected by all with whom he was brought in contact. Of a genial and cheerful disposition, he was popular alike with his friends and his patients. His work was characterised by thoroughness and by devotion to duty. The specialty has been deprived of an efficient and earnest member at the very commencement of an active hospital service. His widow and two young children survive him.

A. LOGAN TURNER.

JOHN WILLIAM MACKENZIE, O.B.E., M.D. Edin.

By the death of John Mackenzie, laryngology in this country loses its most northern representative. He had settled in his native town of Inverness in general practice and at the same time devoted himself largely to laryngology and otology. During the course of his work he contracted pneumonia, from which he succumbed after a few days' illness on 29th April in his 52nd year.

He was educated at the Inverness Royal Academy and the University of Edinburgh and after graduating, in 1898, held resident hospital appointments in various parts of the country and spent a good deal of time doing ear and throat work. On starting practice in 1906 he became attached to the Northern Infirmary, Inverness, to which at the time of his death he was physician and also had charge of the ear, nose and throat cases. He was one of the original members of the Scottish Society of Otology and Laryngology and a regular attendant at its meetings; he was occasionally seen at the Sections of Laryngology and Otology of the Royal Society of Medicine.

The outbreak of war found him in command of the Highland Mounted Brigade Field Ambulance with which he saw service in Gallipoli and Egypt; he was promoted Lieutenant-Colonel. From 1917 until demobilisation in 1919 he commanded the 44th Stationary Hospital at Kantara; he was twice mentioned in despatches and received the O.B.E.

The demands of a large practice did not prevent him devoting much time and energy to secretarial and other work in connection with the profession. Warm-hearted, sympathetic and tactful, he rendered services which were gratefully appreciated by his brethren.

John Mackenzie was a true son of his native Highlands, imbued with its traditions and inspired by its deep sympathies. He was a man of real worth, free from self-seeking. His funeral, which was attended by the surviving members of the Field Ambulance he mobilised in 1914, was an impressive manifestation of esteem from all sections of the community and a striking tribute to the life-work of a member of our profession,

D. R. PATERSON,