

FRANCIS JOHN ALLAN, M.D., C.M. (Edin.), D.P.H. (Camb.), was a Scotsman by birth. Graduating at the University of Edinburgh, he became an authority on questions of Public Health, his first appointment as Medical Officer of Health being at Harrow-on-the-Hill. He served on the Councils of the Society of Medical Officers of Health and the Royal Sanitary Institute, and was President of the former in 1915-16. In 1900 the City of Westminster was formed, and Dr Allan was appointed Medical Officer of Health. Here he did great service in respect to tuberculosis, the provision of sanatorium treatment, and in maternity and child welfare. He took a great interest in Freemasonry, and held at various times important masonic offices.

He was the author of *Aids to Sanitary Science*, 2nd Ed., 1903 (with C. E. Allan, LL.B.); *Housing of Working Classes Acts*, 4th Ed., 1916; and *Practical Guide to Disinfection*, 1903.

Dr Allan was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1894, and died on 28th July 1932.

WALTER LEONARD BELL, M.D. (Edin.), F.S.A.Scot., late Surgeon, Lowestoft Hospital; Assistant Physician, District Asylum, Larbert; and House Surgeon, Cancer Hospital, Brompton, was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1915, and died on 24th July 1932.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR DAVID BRUCE, K.C.B., M.B., C.M. (Edin.), LL.D., F.R.S., Chairman, Governing Body of the Lister Institute, was born in Melbourne on 29th May 1855, and educated at Stirling High School and the University of Edinburgh. He joined the Army Medical Service in 1883. He was a pioneer in the study of Tropical Medicine, acting as Director of the Royal Society Commissions: Uganda, 1903; Malta, 1904-1906; Uganda, 1908-10; and Nyasaland, 1911-14. Bruce was President of the Toronto Meeting of the British Association in 1924.

He was elected an Honorary Fellow of the Society in 1927, and died on 27th November 1931. (For details of his life and work see Notices in *Obituary Notices of Fellows of Roy. Soc. Lond.*, No. I, 1932, pp. 79-85; *Nature*, vol. 129, 1932, pp. 84-88; *Times*, 28th November 1931, etc.)

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