

## MR. SPENCER HONEYMAN.

By the retirement of Mr. Spencer Honeyman, all users of the two libraries (the Association's and that of the British Medical Association) lose a sincere friend and counsellor. He was a most amiable and obliging man, and had a wonderful knowledge of the books under his care. His patience and courtesy were unbounded in his efforts to supply references and other literary information, often on information of a hazy description.

The connection between Mr. Honeyman's family and the British Medical Association extends to three generations and dates from 1855.

Mr. Honeyman commenced laying the foundations of the British Medical Association Library in 1888 and became Librarian in 1893, and his enthusiasm over books and his devoted services have led to the establishment of one of the finest medical libraries in the country.

The Royal Medico-Psychological Association's Library passed into his care in 1926, and the Association is grateful for the great interest he has taken in it, especially during its recent re-cataloguing.

The Council, at a recent meeting, directed that a letter be sent to him expressing thanks for his services and regret that for the future they would not be available.

It is surely a remarkable fact that during forty-one years' duty as a Librarian he had never missed a working day on account of sickness or any other cause, and we hope that this record may continue and be a feature of his days of well-earned leisure in retirement.

J. R. LORD.

## OBITUARY.

HUGH FRANK BODVEL-ROBERTS, M.A.Camb., L.S.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.  
Ordinary Member since 1904.

Dr. Bodvel-Roberts was educated at Rugby, went to Cambridge, and obtained his medical degrees at St. Bartholomew's Hospital in 1903.

Before taking up mental work he had a House Appointment at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. He was then appointed as Junior Assistant Medical Officer at Warwick County Mental Hospital, and later to Napsbury Mental Hospital, St. Albans, Herts, on March 5, 1906. He obtained gradual promotion until he reached the position of Senior Assistant Medical Officer, which post he filled until the time of his death.

During the Great War he joined the R.A.M.C., and served both in India and at home.

He was a most pleasant colleague, conscientious in his dealings, and never failed to do his best for both patients and staff.

Although obviously in failing health he stuck to his post to the end and practically died in harness. His loss is much regretted by all who knew him.

He died at his home in St. Albans on October 11, 1928.

THOMAS DUNCAN GREENLEES, M.D., F.R.S.E.,

Ordinary Member 1886-1921.

We regret to announce the death of Dr. T. Duncan Greenlees, which took place on January 22 at St. Leonard's-on-Sea, where he had lived in retirement for the last few years. The son of Dr. Thomas Greenlees, he was born in Ballantrae, Ayrshire, in 1859, and he had a great love for his native place, which he frequently visited.

His medical studies were pursued at Glasgow University and thereafter at Edinburgh University, where he graduated M.B., C.M. in 1882 and M.D. in 1901. After a short experience of general practice he joined the staff of Garlands Asylum, Carlisle, in 1884. Three years later he became an assistant medical officer at the City of London Asylum, Dartford, and in 1890 he was appointed Medical Superintendent of the Grahamstown Asylum, South Africa—a post which he held for eighteen years. He returned to this country in 1908 to take charge of a private asylum at Fenstanton, Tulse Hill, resigning in 1913.

He held a commission as Surgeon-Captain in the Boer War, and from August, 1914, to July, 1918, he was a Major in the Royal Army Medical Corps and held several important home appointments.

High intellectual attainments, alertness, great force of character and untiring energy combined to make Dr. Greenlees a very capable asylum administrator. He accomplished original work as an assistant medical officer, and in 1885 gained the Bronze Medal and Prize of the Medico-Psychological Association for his essay on "Diseases of the Circulatory System in the Insane." He was the author of important contributions to psychiatry published in the medical journals of this country, South Africa and America. At one time President of the Caledonian Medical Society he also represented South Africa for many years on the Council of the British Medical Association. Outside his medical interests he was an enthusiastic Freemason.

But how faintly do all these chronicles of Dr. Greenlees' career portray the man! What a bright, joyous soul he was! How wonderfully alive: bubbling, sparkling and flowing over with enthusiasm and restless energy! What zest in life! Handicapped though he was by his health, never very robust, and having constantly to fight asthma—his life-long enemy—his energy and high spirits carried him further than most. He never spared himself in serving his day and generation, and delighted greatly in the company of his fellows. He had a keen sense of humour, but with all his sallies of wit and outspoken criticism he was at bottom genial, generous, sympathetic and kindly. There remains for a very wide circle of friends an abiding memory of a rare and most lovable soul.

Dr. Greenlees is survived by his widow, a sister of Dr. E. W. White (a past President of the Association), two daughters and a son, to whom we extend our deep sympathy.

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JOHN VALERIAN GEORGE BROSNAN TIGHE, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., R.U.I.

Mental Superintendent, Gateshead Mental Hospital, Stannington, Northumberland. Ordinary member since 1901; Secretary, Midland and Northern Division, since 1927.

The sudden death of Dr. Tighe on January 21, 1929, was a great shock to members of the Association, and especially so to the staff and patients at Gateshead Mental Hospital. He was found dead in bed, having to all appearances died in his sleep, and had not told anyone that he was otherwise than in his usual health. It had been noticed, however, by one of his friends as far back as July that he was taking a good deal of care of himself.

There was no inquest.

Though decidedly reserved, he nevertheless was kindly disposed and friendly in his attitude to his colleagues and friends. It was felt by all that he was a man to be trusted and to be relied upon to see a matter through. Everybody seemed to know him, but none very well. Of undoubted ability and shrewdness, he commanded great respect, and this estimation of him led to his appointment as Secretary to the Midland and Northern Division in 1927, which position he held at the time of his death.

He was a keen golfer, and was Secretary of the Golf Club at York for a number of years.

Born a Roman Catholic, he has only been known to attend the Church of England services, and the Rev. A. G. Dodderidge, the Gateshead Mental Hospital Chaplain, officiated at his funeral, which took place on January 26 at Stannington Churchyard, where a large crowd of mourners gathered to pay a final tribute to his memory.

He was a bachelor and had no near relatives living, and none of the beneficiaries under his will was a relative.

He left £250 to the Mental Hospital Canteen and Benevolent Fund, and £250 to the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Tighe was born in Tipperary on April 22, 1872, and was the son of T. J. Tighe, Esq. He was educated in the first place at Rockwell College and Queen's College, Ireland. His medical education commenced in 1901 at University College and Mater Hospital, Dublin, and he qualified M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. Royal University in 1896. He afterwards became Senior House Surgeon at the Mater Hospital. In 1901 he decided upon a psychiatric career, and entered the service