

Obituary.

It is now our painful duty to add other names to the melancholy list of those whom death has snatched away from among us. Though our losses have not been so numerous during the past as in the previous year, yet in the early part of it there passed from among us Wm. Healy, who was carried off by fever, at the age of forty-five, and George A. Kennedy, who had attained to the more goodly one of seventy-three, and who, though he had retired from the active duties of the profession for some years, still retained a warm place in the affections of his brethren; but as the year closed, death, not yet satisfied, made one fell swoop, and within a few days carried off three more of our colleagues, whose recent loss we still lament and are now called on to record.

EDWARD HUTTON, M.D., F.R.C.S.I.,

Died 24th November, 1865; aged 68 years.

EDWARD HUTTON is a name which shall ever be associated in the memory of those who knew him with some of the noblest attributes of man—with learning, combined with modesty, with firmness, tempered by gentleness, with decision, softened by kindness. DR. HUTTON was born in 1798, and received his education in this city; having determined to study for the medical profession, he was bound apprentice to the late Mr. Robert Peile; and, having graduated in arts in 1817, he obtained the diploma of the Royal College of Surgeons, in this city, at the early age of twenty-one, which he followed up by taking the Fellowship of the same college in 1824, before he was twenty-six years of age; having already, in 1822, obtained the degree of Bachelor of Medicine in Trinity College. In 1842 DR. HUTTON took the full degree of Doctor of Medicine in Trinity College, and in 1852 he was elected President of the Royal College of Surgeons. At a very early age, shortly after obtaining his diploma, he was appointed surgeon to the hospitals of the House of Industry; and those who had the good fortune to study under his guidance will ever remember with gratitude the valuable practical teaching they received at his hands. EDWARD HUTTON was, however, not only a great surgeon he was also a sagacious physician; he was a most skilful operator, and a most successful one too; but he never allowed his better judgment to be overruled by his operative skill, and never permitted himself to be led to perform an operation for the sake of the brilliancy of the achievement; and “*primum non nocere*” was his constant maxim. It is very much to be regretted that Dr. Hutton published so little, as his mind was stored with valuable facts, the accumulation of

years of experience, which would have been of immense service in the cause of science; but with the exception of an article on the treatment of aneurism by compression, which appeared in this Journal in 1843, and some few contributions to the *The Medical Press*, and *The Dublin Hospital Gazette*, he published nothing else so far as we are aware.

DR. HUTTON died on the 24th of November, 1865, he was consequently only sixty-eight; he also, then, was carried away in the full vigour of age, and when, but for the fatal malady which undermined his constitution, we might have justly expected to enjoy the advantage of his knowledge and his skill for many years to come; but Providence willed it otherwise; "the kind teacher, the sound practitioner, the skilful operator, the wise and honourable consultant"^a is gone to his long rest, and we can only mourn for his loss.

DANIEL PAKENHAM,

Died 23rd November, 1865; aged 67 years.

MR. PAKENHAM long held the appointment of State Apothecary. In early life he resided for many years in the Meath Hospital, as apothecary to that institution, and here very many of the most eminent physicians of the present age obtained from him a knowledge of the principles of materia medica, and the elements of practical pharmacy. Here, too, he acquired that practical skill that in after years enabled him to become a most successful general practitioner. In him were found not only professional and scientific knowledge of a high order, but all the qualities that mark the true man; with a chivalrous sense of honour he combined rare earnestness of purpose and self-denial in the highest degree. He died on the 23rd of November, 1865, after ten days' illness of fever, at the age of sixty-seven.

JEROME MORGAN, F.R.C.S.I.,

Died 23th November, 1865.

But the medical obituary, says the President of our College of Surgeons in his address at the opening of the present session of the Surgical Society, makes a still more recent announcement. We have just lost a member who was highly esteemed, and is deeply lamented by all who knew him. The estimation in which he was held by this college is best shown by the length of time he filled the important office of Examiner in *Materia Medica*. DR. JEROME MORGAN was distinguished for the tact with which he put his questions, and for rectitude and kindness in dealing with the candidate.

^a Words of the President of the Royal College of Surgeons in his opening address.