

MR. STEWART HENRY ROUQUETTE, who died on February 27th at the early age of 32, was the son of Mr. G. A. Rouquette of Eastbourne. He received his medical education at Cambridge University and St. Thomas's Hospital, and took the diplomas of M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond. in 1911, and the F.R.C.S. in 1912. He graduated M.A., M.B., B.C.Camb. in 1913, and M.C. in the following year. He won the Solly gold medal at St. Thomas's Hospital in 1912, and after serving as surgical registrar, casualty officer, resident anaesthetist, and house-surgeon at the hospital, was appointed resident assistant surgeon. He was also consulting surgeon to Lady Ridley's Hospital for Officers, and he was amongst the recent recipients of the Order of the British Empire (Civil Division) for services rendered in or in connexion with military hospitals, etc. His death has cut off a career of great promise to the medical profession. Mr. Cuthbert Wallace, C.B., C.M.G., writes: The school and hospital of St. Thomas has suffered a great loss. Rouquette was one of those quiet men who steadily develop along their own line. That he had a future before him was soon apparent to those with whom he was brought into contact when he joined the hospital. Although very unassuming he was full of ideas and enthusiasm, and well able to present his own opinions. He had a wide knowledge for his years. In the handicraft of surgery he was far advanced, and had developed a technique that for skill, gentleness, and patient celerity was remarkable. This stood him in good stead along a line that he was developing at the time of his death—namely, the operative treatment of exophthalmic goitre. A large series of such cases was already to his credit with an extraordinary low mortality.

SURGEON-GENERAL THOMAS FRANCIS O'DWYER, "Army Medical Service (retired), of Clifton, Bristol, died in a nursing home on February 5th, aged 77. He was born on December 26th, 1841, graduated M.D. with honours in the Queen's University, Ireland, in 1862, and took the diploma of L.R.C.S.Edin. in 1863. He entered the army as assistant surgeon in 1864, became surgeon-general in 1896, and retired on December 26th, 1901. From 1865 to 1868 he served in the 22nd Foot, the Cheshire Regiment, and as surgeon-general held the posts of principal medical officer of the south-east district and at Aldershot. He served in the Egyptian war of 1882, being present at the battles of Kassassin and Tel-el-Kebir, was mentioned in dispatches in the *London Gazette* of November 2nd, 1882, and received the medal, the Khedive's bronze star, and a special promotion; and in the Sudan campaign of 1884-5, as Secretary to the P.M.O., when he was again mentioned in dispatches, in the *London Gazette* of August 25th, 1885, and received a clasp.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL THOMAS WALTER IRVINE, Bombay Medical Service, was accidentally drowned in the Kabul river while hunting at Peshawur on January 26th, aged 53. He was born on October 21st, 1865, the only son of the late Rev. Walter Irvine of Edinburgh, and educated at Edinburgh University, where he graduated M.B. and C.M. in 1887. Entering the I.M.S. in 1891, he became major in 1903 and lieutenant-colonel in 1911. After five years' military duty, he took civil employment under the Foreign Department of the Government of India in November, 1902, and was then attached to the Seistan Arbitration Commission, which laid down the boundaries between Persia and Afghanistan. In December, 1907, he was appointed residency surgeon of Mewar (Udaipur) in Rajputana; in October, 1911, chief medical officer of the North-West Frontier Province, with head quarters at Peshawur, and subsequently acted for a time as senior surgeon to the Government of Mysur. He served in the third China war of 1900, receiving the medal; and in January, 1911, received the Kaiser-i-Hind medal, 1st class.

DR. JAMES A. SHOOLBREAD of Edinburgh died from pneumonia following influenza on February 22nd. He was educated at the University of Edinburgh, where he graduated M.B., C.M. in 1897, and B.Sc. (Public Health) in 1901. He had been in general practice in Edinburgh for the last twenty years. He had held the offices of senior demonstrator in materia medica and pharmacology in the Edinburgh School of Medicine, and resident medical

officer to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary Convalescent Home at Corstorphine. He found time for several public activities in the city, notably as a member of the School Board, on which he served for many years. He was much loved and respected by all his patients, and will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends.

DR. HENRY DONALD WELPLY died at Toowoomba, Queensland, Australia, on March 11th, of pneumonia, aged 28 years. He was educated at Edinburgh University, and graduated M.B., Ch.B. in 1914; soon afterwards he held the post of house-surgeon at Leicester Royal Infirmary, and from there early in 1915 he received a commission in the R.A.M.C., being promoted to the rank of captain in the following year. Shortly after joining up he was sent to Egypt, where he contracted a serious attack of dysentery, which ultimately led to his discharge from the army in May, 1917, on pension, retaining the honorary rank of captain. The following autumn he went to Australia, where for the past year he had been practising in Queensland. His many friends will miss him, while his memory will ever remain green in the lives of his sorrowing widow, parents, brother, and sister.

## Medical News.

COLONEL A. H. TUBBY, C.B., C.M.G., surgeon to the Westminster Hospital, who has served for a prolonged period in Egypt, has now relinquished his commission and returned to civil practice in London.

THE late Sir Herman Weber left estate valued at £195,668 and Dr. Thomas Buzzard at £194,595.

THE orders controlling the sale of bismuth and the use of kelp for the preparation of potassium compounds have been suspended.

THE American Red Cross has established a fully equipped modern military hospital for sick and wounded men of the Czecho-Slovak forces near Cognac in France. The medical officer in charge and all the personnel are members of the Czecho-Slovak army.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL is to be added to the list of medical schools and hospitals sharing in the emergency post-graduate courses in London. It is arranging a three months' course. A full list of medical schools and hospitals was published in the issue of March 8th, p. 281.

THE Harveian Lecture of the Harveian Society will be delivered at the rooms of the Medical Society of London (11, Chandos Street) on March 27th, at 8.30, by Mr. Edred Corner, F.R.C.S. His subject will be nerves in amputation stumps. Members of the medical profession are invited to be present.

IN our advertising columns this week particulars are given of a special three months' course of post-graduate study at the Charing Cross Hospital Medical School, beginning on April 7th, and an announcement of the setting up of an ophthalmic clinic, in affiliation with the Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital.

HOSPITALS within nine miles of Charing Cross, and convalescent homes and sanatoriums for consumption taking a large proportion of patients from London, if they desire to participate in the grants made by King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, must make application before March 31st to the honorary secretaries, 7, Walbrook, E.C.4.

WE are informed that the meeting to be held on March 31st to discuss the formation of a medical post-graduate association in London will be attended only by representatives of the medical teaching institutions in London, who will report on the attitude of the hospitals they represent towards the scheme in its present form. It is proposed to hold a public meeting in April.

THE preparation of a programme for the extension of Red Cross work to civilian needs is to be considered, as already announced, by an international congress of national Red Cross societies to take place at Geneva thirty days after the signing of peace. The preliminary meeting at Cannes to formulate a programme for the conference will take place at the end of this month or early in April. The British members will be Sir Arthur News-holme, K.C.B., Colonel Sir Ronald Ross, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Sir Robert Philip, M.A., M.D., Dr. F. N. Kay Menzies, Dr. Truby King, C.M.G., Sir Walter Fletcher, K.B.E., F.R.S., Sir Leslie Mackenzie, M.D., LL.D., Colonel S. Lyle Cummins, C.M.G., A.M.S., and Colonel L. W. Harrison, D.S.O.