

He became a member of Committee and was no less assiduous in his attendance at meetings, attaining in 1900-01 the honour of the Chairmanship. The earlier meets were all in the nature of one or two days' excursions, suited to the powers of those who had been "long in city pent," to whom the exertion and the nervous strain of difficult rock climbing would have been out of the question. Mr. Porter will be best remembered in the Club by the part he took in its activities in this direction at the Spring Holiday, the more extended Summer Meet, and the Autumn Holiday—the stated occasions in those days. He was a good walker, persevering if not rapid in his movements, and eventually always getting there. He was a most agreeable comrade, full of kindness and consideration, always ready to cheer the way with a "yarn." He may have been like the rest of us in preferring narrating to listening. But he was a repository of information on many topics which one did not wish to miss. His death will be felt as a loss to many good causes; to business and to social service he had given a full half century of active and loyal co-operation. He had attained the ripe age of four-score, in itself an evidence of the benefits of the life of the open. He leaves a fragrant memory not only as a mountaineer but as a man of high Christian principle and endeavour.

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CHARLES T. CHRISTIE.

The death of Charles Taylor Christie on October 30 last removes from the list another name of an old and in his day active member of the Cairngorm Club. Mr. Christie joined the Club in 1890 and, although in recent years his genial company was missed at many of the Club outings, his interest in the affairs of the Club never flagged, as those who had the privilege of meeting with him knew. His intimate knowledge of the hills and glens of our own and the neighbouring counties, and reminiscent talk of many a visit to them, made a chat with Charlie exceedingly instructive and interesting, and furnished valuable assistance to a friend

who meditated a climb or a tramp. Possessed of a rare amount of native wit, he at times delighted opponents in his visits to the billiard table or the bowling green—on both of which he was no mean performer—with a running rhyme on the progress and result of the game. In early days he made many an excursion into the hills and glens as a member of the Aberdeen Bicycle Club. As an enthusiastic member of the Cairngorm Club, however, it was fitting that in his declining years he should resume the brogues and accompany the Club on the occasions of the unveiling of the Indicators on Lochnagar and Ben Macdhui on July 12, 1924, and August 1, 1925, respectively, and again at the similar event on the Blue Hill. He will be missed by many, especially of the older members.

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ROBERT LAMONT.

The death of Robert Lamont, Inverey, which took place in December last, has broken a link in the history of the Braemar district. He had reached the advanced age of 91, and was the last surviving member of the old crofting population of Gleney. For many years he and the late Miss Kate Lamont were the only persons who could speak at first hand of the crofts in the once well-populated glen. They were both born there, and left it in their youth, when the crofts were cleared about three-quarters of a century ago; and they both lived long enough to see the supremacy of the deer pass away and the re-invasion of Gleney by sheep.