

In Memoriam.

JAMES IVERACH.

WE greatly regret having to record the death of James Iverach, who died on February 16, 1938, at the age of 63. Mr Iverach, who had been in ill-health for some five months, was unmarried, and lived with two sisters, by whom he is survived. A son of the late Very Reverend Principal Iverach, D.D., of the U.F. College, Aberdeen, Mr Iverach was educated at Aberdeen Grammar School and Aberdeen University, where he graduated. He received his legal training in the office of Messrs Fraser & Duguid, Advocates, Aberdeen, and set up in practice for himself in 1918. He was a prominent member of the Deeside Golf Club, the Northern Arts Club, and the Aberdeen Chess Club, being a past President of the last named. He also took a keen interest in the affairs of Aberdeen Public Library, serving for a number of years on the Library Committee. He had been a member of the Cairngorm Club since 1911.

PROFESSOR A. W. GIBB.

PROFESSOR A. W. GIBB, who died on July 12, 1937, at the age of 73, had been a member of the Club since 1912. A graduate of the University of Aberdeen, he took the Degree of Master of Arts in 1884, at a time when there was no Science Faculty in the University. Thereafter he taught for a few years in a school and, in 1895, became Assistant in the Department of Natural History under Professor H. A. Nicholson. At that time Natural History included Geology. On Professor Nicholson's death the teaching of Geology was taken over by Dr Gibb, and in 1908 he was appointed independent Lecturer in that subject. When the Chair of

Geology was founded in 1922, Dr Gibb was appointed first occupant of that Chair, which he held until his death.

Professor Gibb was of a quiet disposition, but his interest and enthusiasm for Geology naturally took him to the hills. He had a great love for everything pertaining to his subject and, like all enthusiasts, was able to pass on his enthusiasm to others. Hence the love of his students for him. Although his appearances at Club functions were very rare, there must be a number of members who will recall, with the keenest appreciation, the quiet and unfailing good humour which characterised his lectures, his wide sympathies, the ease with which he could be approached in a difficulty, and his extraordinary gift of investing his subject with the maximum of interest.

H. J. B.