

THE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF KINTORE, K.T., P.C., G.C.M.G., M.A., LL.D., was born at Edinburgh on 12th August 1852, and educated at Eton, Trinity College, Cambridge, and Aberdeen University. He was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1878, and at the date of his death, 3rd March 1930, was one of its oldest Fellows. (For details of his life and work see *Times*, 4th March 1930, and other notices.)

SIR WILLIAM SYMINGTON M'CORMICK, Kt., G.B.E., M.A., LL.D., F.R.S., was born in Dumfries on 29th April 1859. He was educated at the Universities of Glasgow, Göttingen, and Marburg. Prior to his Chairmanship of the University Grants Committee and of the Advisory Council on Scientific and Industrial Research, he was the first Secretary to the Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland, and had held the following appointments: Partner in Wilson & M'Cormick, Publishers, Glasgow; Assistant to Professor of English, Glasgow University; English Lecturer, Queen Margaret College, Glasgow; Professor of English, University College, Dundee (St Andrews University); Member of Treasury Committees on University Colleges (Great Britain) and on the University of Wales; Member of the Royal Commission on University Teaching in London (1909). His publications include lectures on literature; various papers and essays on Chaucer and Middle-English. He was Joint-Editor of the *Globe Chaucer*.

Sir Wm. M'Cormick was elected a Fellow in 1903, served on the Council of the Society from 1910–13, and died at Barcelona on 22nd March 1930. (For details of his life and work see *Proc. Roy. Soc. Lond.* (now being prepared) and press notices.)

ROBERT MACKENZIE, M.D. (Edin.), of Napier, Nairn, was born in Edinburgh, and, after being in practice there for some years, retired to Nairn. He was a keen golfer, and for a term was Captain of the Nairn Golf Club. He was elected a Fellow in 1894, and died suddenly at Nairn on 8th September 1930.

FRIDTJOF NANSEN, G.C.V.O., D.Sc., D.C.L., Ph.D., Arctic Explorer and Author, was born near Christiania on 10th October 1861. He was Professor of Oceanography at the University of Christiania (Oslo) from 1908, where previously he had been Professor of Zoology, and was Rector of the University of St Andrews from 1925. From 1906 to 1908 he was the first Norwegian Minister to Great Britain. The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to him for 1921–22.