

AUGUSTUS HAMILTON JACOB, M.A., M.A.I., born on the 14th June, 1840, in Dublin, died at Bournemouth on the 25th June, 1910. Graduating with honours in Trinity College, he obtained his early practical experience on railway and municipal work at home, and was appointed to the Public Works Department of Travancore in 1870. He served 10 years as Assistant Engineer and over 15 years as Chief Engineer, in which latter capacity he carried out a number of important public works, and designed and initiated the Kadayar irrigation scheme, the construction of which was well advanced when he retired in 1896. Mr. Jacob was elected a Member of The Institution on the 1st March, 1881.

JOHN KYLE, born in Scotland in 1861, died on 9th January, 1911, at Colombo, Ceylon, where he occupied the position of Resident Engineer of the Colombo Harbour Works. Mr. Kyle obtained his practical training as pupil and later as assistant, with Messrs. Bell and Miller, of Glasgow. He was appointed in 1884 assistant engineer, Colombo Harbour Works, his father¹ at that time occupying the position of Resident Engineer. Subsequently Mr. Kyle became Chief Assistant Engineer of the Harbour Extension Works under Mr. J. H. Bostock, Resident Engineer, and on Mr. Bostock's decease, Mr. Kyle succeeded him. He was much esteemed in Colombo for his quiet demeanour and high character.

Mr. Kyle was elected an Associate Member of The Institution on the 1st March, 1887, and was transferred to the class of Members on the 6th November, 1894.

JAMES MELDRUM, born at Colinsburgh, Fifeshire, on the 19th September, 1855, died at Colombe Lodge, Ealing, on the 15th December, 1910. Educated at St. Andrews and Glasgow Universities, he was trained under Messrs. Bell and Miller, of Glasgow, and subsequently was responsible for the construction of important railway works abroad, including the Condé d'Eu line in Brazil, the Manila Railway, the first in the Philippines, and the Buenos Aires Great Southern Railway. For 12 years he was

¹ Minutes of Proceedings Inst. C.E., vol. clxiv, p. 408.