

at Rio de Janeiro, and reported upon the harbours of Pernambuco and Rio Grande do Sul and on the works of the Dom Pedro II Railway. Returning to England in 1867, he set up a consulting practice in Westminster, which he continued to carry on up to within a short period of his death. Amongst the works with which he was connected in this capacity may be mentioned the Great Western of Brazil Railway, the Conde d'Eu line, the Donna Thereza Christina Railway and the Southern Brazilian Rio Grande do Sul Railway, Rio de Janeiro Flour-mills and Granaries, Nictheroy Gasworks, and Stockton Bridge,¹ in which last work he was associated with the late Mr. Harrison Hayter, Past-President. He also prepared designs, reports and estimates for a number of schemes in Brazil, Cuba, Demerara, South Africa, Naples, Portugal, Spain and Ireland.

Mr. Neate was elected an Associate of The Institution on the 2nd March, 1847, and was transferred to the class of Members on the 8th March, 1859.

WILLIAM LANCASTER OWEN, born at Bath on the 8th November, 1843, died in London on the 28th November, 1911. He was trained under his father, the late Mr. W. G. Owen, subsequently Chief Engineer of the Great Western Railway, and also in the locomotive works at Swindon. In 1865 he entered the Company's service as an assistant engineer, and with the exception of 3 years, 1872 to 1875, occupied as Engineer to the Monmouthshire Railway and Canal Co., now part of the Great Western system, he remained with the Company until his retirement, owing to ill-health, in 1891. During this period he was successively District Engineer, Engineer for New Works, and on the death of his father, Chief Engineer for Construction; and was associated with the execution of many important works, including the conversion from broad to standard gauge.

Mr. Owen was elected an Associate of The Institution on the 13th January, 1874, and was transferred to the class of Members on the 28th March, 1882.

¹ Minutes of Proceedings Inst. C.E., vol. cix, p. 304.
