

MEMOIRS OF DECEASED MEMBERS.

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MR. CHARLES BERNARD BAKER, second son of W. Baker, M.D., of Derby, was born in 1832, and was educated at the grammar schools of Derby and of Stamford. In 1850 he became a pupil of Mr. W. H. Barlow, V.P.R.S., Past-President Inst. C.E., and remained in the same office as an assistant until 1855. He then joined the staff of Messrs. Liddell and Gordon, by whom he was employed as an assistant on the Leicester and Hitchin extension of the Midland railway, and afterwards acted for one year as resident engineer on the Wimbledon and Epsom branch of the London and South-Western system, for Messrs. Locke and Errington, MM. Inst. C.E. In 1861 he rejoined Mr. Barlow's staff, the position then assigned to him being that of resident engineer of the Whitacre and Nuneaton railway; and afterwards one of the resident engineers on the London and Bedford, and on the Mansfield and Southwell lines, also belonging to the Midland Railway Company. Mr. Baker was engineer on his own behalf to the Mansfield waterworks, which were carried out under his direction. In 1874 Mr. Baker entered into partnership with Mr. Barlow and his son, Mr. Crawford Barlow, M. Inst. C.E., and so remained until his death, which occurred on the 10th of May, 1881, and during the partnership he rendered valuable and important aid in all the works the consideration of which devolved upon the firm. In addition to his professional knowledge and persevering industry, by integrity of character Mr. Baker commanded the respect of all who knew him.

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MR. JOSÉ MANUEL FARFAN DE LOS GODOS was born on the 1st of July, 1836, at St. Joseph, in the Island of Trinidad. He remained under the tuition of his father until the age of fourteen, when he was sent to Ushaw College, near Durham. In 1855, after spending five years at Ushaw, he entered, as a student of Dublin University, Dr. (now Cardinal) Newman's house, and in November of the same year passed his matriculation examination. In the following July he took a scholar's degree, and then left for Paris, there to study civil engineering. After passing his *Baccalauréat ès-Sciences*, and spending a year at the School of Mines, he entered the School of