

Mill Hill, for the Southend Gas Company, at Southend, and for the Ascot Gas Company, at Sunning Hill.

In 1886, Mr. Lee's firm undertook the construction of the Amsterdam Ship Canal, which large undertaking comprised the building of two piers in the North Sea, and the formation of a harbour.¹

The death of Mr. Lee's father, soon after the commencement of this contract, threw heavy additional work upon him. Most people in Holland refused to believe that the work would ever be completed, and they consequently declined to support it financially; but they now have the satisfaction of seeing large ocean steamers pass through the canal direct from Amsterdam to the Dutch Colonies.

This contract, the affairs of which were not finally cleared up until 1880, no doubt told greatly upon Mr. Lee; his health became far from good, so much so indeed as to make him disinclined to enter into further heavy contracts. At the time of his death, which took place on the 1st of March, 1889, he was Chairman and Managing Director of the Lake Copais Company, for the reclamation of about 60,000 acres of land near Thebes, in Greece, these works being now in full progress.

Mr. Lee was elected an Associate of the Institution on the 7th of February, 1865.

GEORGE SPENCER was born at Brighton on the 17th of June, 1810, and at an early age attended the engineering classes of the Birkbeck Institute. He subsequently worked in the drawing office of the late Mr. George Dempsey, and was also extensively employed surveying during the great extension of the railway system throughout the country from 1845 to 1848. He was at a later period employed by Messrs. Fox, Henderson and Co., in assisting in the designing and erection of bridges and roofs, and the designing of railway rolling-stock. Amongst the many works with which he was connected under the above firm was the Building for the Great Exhibition of 1851, the drawings of which he executed, and the Bricklayers' Arms goods station of the South-Eastern Railway Company, the erection of which he superintended. In the year 1852 he founded the business of George Spencer and Co., for the purpose of supplying railways with india-rubber springs, &c., for which he from time to time took out several patents, which have been extensively used.

¹ Minutes of Proceedings Inst. C.E., vol. lxii. p. 1.

He died at Montreux, in Switzerland, on the 5th of June, 1889, at the age of seventy-eight. Mr. Spencer was elected an Associate on the 12th of May, 1874.

* * The following deaths have occurred, or been made known, since the 27th of May last, in addition to some of those included in the foregoing notices :—

Honorary Member.

PERCY, JOHN, M.D., F.R.S.; *born* 23 March, 1817; *died* 19 June, 1889.

Members.

BAYLY, GEORGE HENRY; <i>born</i> 7 June, 1834; <i>died</i> 3 April, 1889.	LE MESURIER, HENRY PEVERIL, C.S.I.; <i>born</i> 4 November, 1828; <i>died</i> 30 July, 1889.
CLEGRAM, WILLIAM BROWN; <i>born</i> 1 October, 1809; <i>died</i> 3 June, 1889.	NEILSON, WALTER MONTGOMERIE; <i>born</i> ; <i>died</i> 8 July, 1889.
LANYON, Sir CHARLES; <i>born</i> 6 January, 1813; <i>died</i> 1 June, 1889.	

Associate Members.

BLACK, FRANK CHARLES; <i>died</i> 29 May, 1889, <i>aged</i> 49.	LYONS, JOHN; ; <i>died</i> 28 May, 1889.
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Associates.

FALSHAW, Sir JAMES, Bart., F.R.S.E.; <i>born</i> March, 1810; <i>died</i> 14 June, 1889.	KIDDLE, Captain WILLIAM WALTER, R.N.; <i>born</i> 30 November, 1823; <i>died</i> 27 June, 1889.
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Information respecting the life and works, the career and leading characteristics, of any of the above, is solicited, to aid in the preparation of future Obituary Notices.—SEC. INST. C.E., 2 August, 1889.