

A SURGEON'S EYE.—The human eye has many unspeakable gifts, some of which unmistakably add to its attractiveness, and some do not. Our readers will probably be interested to learn what a surgeon at a large London hospital thinks of the eye which distinguished a late colleague, whose personality has often been the subject of admiration. In an able, thoughtful "In Memoriam" notice of Sir William Savory, contributed to the new volume of "St. Bartholomew's Hospital Reports," Mr. Howard Marsh writes as follows: "His (Savory's) eye was pale blue, inclining to be gray. Its general expression was that of calm intelligence, but it was singularly expressive, and its range of expression was remarkable. It is a truism to say that the eye often discloses the whole man, and that the more remarkable the man the more telling is the eye. Savory's eye was clear, steady, and alert; it seemed to give a pledge more binding than any words; it could be eloquent in thanks, it could convey generous approval. These were its quiet moments. But in an instant it became all aglow, and expressive, as the occasion ruled, of keen attention, intense amusement, or blank incredulity; or it would cloud over and darken, and launch a sudden ultimatum. Steele, in the *Spectator*, tells us that he has seen an eyebrow call a man a scoundrel. Savory's eye, at all events, till years brought larger tolerance and restraint, not only pronounced sentence, but it passed on to slay the enemy where he stood." All old Bartholomew's men who were students in Savory's time will appreciate the truths contained in these remarks. The slaying process was one which was not infrequently seen. The scene was usually the operating theatre, and the time Thursday afternoons, when the consultations were held. Savory was, perhaps, intolerant of any diversity of opinion when it applied to himself. There were occasions at these consultations when his opinion was entirely in a minority, the minority being represented by himself. It was then that the slaying process was displayed in the fullness of its power. Like a flock of sheep, as it appeared to Savory, colleague after colleague would reiterate with worrying monotony the opinion expressed on the case by the senior colleague who spoke first. At last the most junior colleague on the staff would give his verdict in the same terms, and then it was that the color would come and go in Savory's face, that the eyes would flash, and the trembling features show the tumult of his feelings. These were sights for students to see and remember, and they have been vividly recalled by the description quoted above from Mr. Marsh's notice. Still, Savory was a worthy successor of Lawrence, and the power that he swayed was, perhaps, equally as great. But with him there died the régime of mannerism of which the model and type was Lawrence.

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DR. T. J. NORMAN KING has been appointed associate coroner for the county of York.

DR. SAMUEL STEWART, of Thamesville, associate coroner for the county of Kent, in the place of Dr. G. A. Tye, deceased.