

Sir A. Bannerman, Bart., the ancestors of whose family were hereditary banner-bearers of the Kings of Scotland during the tenth and eleventh centuries, and whose surname is one of the earliest assumed, in that country, and was born in 1782. He was educated with a view to trade, and for many of the earlier years of his life was an extensive shipowner, merchant, and banker at Aberdeen, to the highest offices of which city he was elected by his fellow citizens, and at length became its Provost. In 1837 he was elected Dean of Mareschal College. At the time of the Reform Bill he was elected (in 1832) on the Liberal interest, to represent Aberdeen, and continued uninterruptedly its member until 1847. During the time he held his seat in Parliament he was nominated by Lord Melbourne one of the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, and in 1851 he was nominated by Earl Grey, who was Colonial Secretary in Lord John Russell's administration, to the Governorship of Prince Edward's Island, on which occasion he received the honour of knighthood. Having served in Prince Edward's Island three years, he was transferred in 1854 by the Duke of Newcastle to the Bahamas, as Governor and Commander-in-Chief. Here, too, he remained just three years, and was in 1857 appointed to the chief command of the colony of Newfoundland, which he left some five months ago.

No. 16.—THE REV. RICHARD FLOOD, M.A.

The Rev. Richard Flood was born in the county of Galway, Ireland, in the year 1795, at the time of his death on Wednesday last, had attained the age of 70 years. At an early age he entered Trinity College, Dublin, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in regular course. He entered holy orders immediately on leaving college. Mr. Flood afterwards removed to the county of Longford where he became the friend and intimate of the Rev. Benjamin Cronyn, our present venerable Bishop. The latter emigrated to Canada, in the year 1832 and was followed by the subject of this notice, in the succeeding year. Since that period, with the exception of a short removal to Perth county, the deceased divine has been a resident of Delaware, where he has been a faithful minister, a devout missionary, and a zealous friend of every educational movement of the Indian or the improvement of the people of his district at large. To him the Munsee Indians are peculiarly indebted; his first care on arrival was to learn their language and in two years he had so completely mastered the Munsee and Oneida dialects, that he was enabled to preach to large congregations of the tribes each week. His next work was the establishment of a school and church. The latter was soon erected, and the Episcopal Church now to be seen at Munseetown stands as attestation of his energy in the cause. With the Indians he was on terms of friendship—no bitter word was he ever heard to utter, and throughout his forty years mission the name of "Flood" may be said to be engraved deep in every Indian heart. He had long been one of the chaplains of the lord bishop. He continued his clerical duties at intervals until within the last four months. The malady, however, became much worse within the last month; he sank rapidly and expired on Wednesday last.—*London Free Press*.

No. 17.—NASSAU C. GOWAN, ESQ.

We regret to announce the death, on Thursday, the 2nd day of March, 1865, of Nassau Chetwood Gowan, Esq., J. P., aged 37 years. Mr. Gowan met his death in the prime of his life and usefulness, by the rail cars running off the track of the Grand Trunk, near Petersburg, (five miles west of Berlin,) while returning to this city, from attending the annual meeting of the Grand Orange Lodge of Western Canada, at Brantford. He lingered from the date of the accident on the 23rd ult., up to the evening of the 2nd instant, when death terminated his mortal career, and called him, it is not doubted, to a happy and glorious immortality. The deceased was the oldest son of Ogle R. Gowan, Esq., of this city, late M. P. P. for Leeds and Grenville. He took an active part in all good works of religion and benevolence, especially in the Temperance cause. He was also an active member of the Orange Institution, and a devoted Protestant, possessing large and evangelical views. His life may be said to have been spent in works of benevolence and love, and was lost while returning from a mission of loyalty and patriotism. As a public speaker he had but few equals, and his being prematurely cut off will be esteemed, by almost all classes of the community as a great public loss. Yesterday, the moment the arrival of his corpse in this city was announced, His Worship the Mayor, and many of our most prominent citizens, hastened to the railway station, to meet his remains, and accompany the sorrowing cortege to his father's residence, Nassau Street. His funeral was one of the largest seen in the city for many years.—*Leader*.

18. HENRY PEMBERTON, ESQ.

Quebec has lost another well known citizen. Mr. Henry Pemberton, for years identified with the trade of this port, as an upright and energetic merchant, and popular with all classes by reason of his many estimable social qualities, died last night at 11 o'clock, after another severe attack of paralysis. Thus the old familiar faces are rapidly passing away.—*Quebec Mercury*.

No. 19.—SAMUEL W. MONK, ESQ.

Another of the old citizens of Montreal has gone to his rest. Mr. Samuel Wentworth Monk, Prothonotary, died yesterday, 13th inst, at the age of 73. He had held his office for nearly half a century, having been appointed Prothonotary of the Court of King's Bench in April 1815. He was admitted to the Bar of Lower Canada in the November previous, and the Bar of Montreal holds a meeting to-morrow to pass resolutions upon the event of the death of a very old member. Throughout his life he maintained the character of an honourable man; and the duties of his office were always so faithfully and well performed by him that there was never a complaint made of him, nor room to make one.—*Gazette*.

No. 20.—DR. BAIKIE.

At a time when his friends and the many who are interested in African exploration and discovery were anticipating with eager interest the arrival in this country of Dr. Baikie, the sad news has come giving information of his death, at Sierra Leone, on the 12th December. During the past six years our lamented countryman has devoted himself with extraordinary enthusiasm and energy to African exploration, chiefly along the course of the Niger, and for a part of the time in the interior of the country, undergoing surprising privations, overcoming the greatest difficulties, escaping imminent dangers, and collecting, during those six years, an immense mass of the most important facts in natural history and physical science, as well as a large accumulation of specimens, which we trust may be preserved as a fitting memorial of the perseverance and heroism of this gifted Orcadian. Dr. Baikie had made every preparation for returning to his native country by the American mail steamer, and had arrived on the 21st of October at Lagos, from which place his friends had received letters from him by the previous mails. Indeed, had it been possible, he was to have come home by the previous mail; but the labour of arranging his African collections occupied longer time than he had anticipated. Arriving at Sierra Leone, "the European's grave," he was suddenly seized with illness, and died in a couple of days. The loss of such a man to science and civilisation is very serious indeed, and while we cannot but offer our condolence with Dr. Baikie's relatives in Kirkwall, we cannot but feel that the public loss is in one sense even a greater cause of sorrow. Dr. Baikie has for years been in a great measure lost to his friends, and by his extraordinary devotion to the mission with which he was intrusted has rendered himself peculiarly an object of public attention and affection, and we venture to say that there are few public men who have recently been called away whose death will be more generally deplored. Dr. Baikie was born in Kirkwall, and was son of Captain John Baikie, R.N., long agent for the National Bank of Scotland. He received his early education in Kirkwall Grammar School, and thereafter studied, with a view to prosecute the medical profession, at Edinburgh University, whose diploma he carried. At an early age he manifested unusual interest in travel and adventure, and it was not difficult to foresee that, if spared, his future life would be distinguished in that respect. As a medical student Mr. Baikie gave evidence of singular ability, and it was in that capacity that he was first fixed upon to undertake duties that ultimately urged him into the theatre of African exploration. In that department Dr. Baikie's history has been full of marvel. He has, especially during the last six years, gone through scenes of adventure and escaped dangers which entitled him to one of the highest positions in the list of travellers, and render his history since the day he left Kirkwall Grammar School one of the most wonderful of any age. And there is no doubt that, whether Dr. Baikie's papers have been left in such a state as to justify his friends in giving to the public a detail of his last six years adventures or not, enough is known of him to justify us in placing his name by the side of the galaxy of modern African travellers who have done so much to enlighten the world regarding its swarthy tribes and its physical characteristics, and to advance the interests of scientific discovery and progressive civilisation. And certainly, among the long list of honoured sons of which Orkney can boast, there is none of whom it has more reason to be proud than "Dr. Baikie, the African explorer."—*Northern Ensign*.