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Death of A Medical Explorer.

Medical men have been among the most conspicuous pioneers in the exploration of unknown lands. The names of doctors are writ large in the history of colonization. The most casual mention of the subject recalls the names of Mungo Park, David Livingstone, Sir John Roy, Emin Pacha, and Sir John Kirk, to mention only the first that come to mind. Another has recently passed away in the person of Dr. Jean Marie Bayol. Born in 1849, he entered the French navy as a medical officer. He was attached to the expedition under Captain (now General) Gallieni, who in 1880 was commissioned to explore the region of Africa extending from the confluence of the Bafing and Bakoy rivers to Bam-mako on the Niger. He was afterwards placed in charge of an expedition to the Fonta-Djallon region, now French Guiana, and he succeeded in getting it officially recognized as a French protectorate. Having taken a prominent part in extending French influence in Central and West Africa, Dr. Bayol was, in 1889, appointed Lieutenant-Governor of the Rivières du Sud provinces and dependencies. In that capacity he visited Dahomey with the

object of negotiating a fresh treaty with King Gle-Gle, who had refused to be bound by one made with France in 1878. In was an arduous and dangerous undertaking. Although the King consulted him nearly every day about his health, Bayol had to endure much insolence at the hands of the heir to the throne. He was forced to walk between two rows of human heads just cut off, and to be present at human sacrifices. The mission was a failure, Prince Kondo declaring that since France had chosen to allow itself to be governed by a woman—to wit, the Republic—treaties previously signed with that country might be regarded as null and void. The King died and was succeeded by Kondo, who took the name of Behanzin. His attitude toward the French became so aggressive that a punitive expedition had to be sent out under General Dodds. Dr. Bayol again narrowly escaped death at the hands of the hostile natives when he was governor of the Benin Settlements on the Ivory Coast. Owing to failing health, Dr. Bayol retired a few years ago with the title of Honorary Colonial Governor and returned to France. His energetic spirit would not, however, allow him to stand aloof from public life. He was elected to the General Council of the Bouches-du-Rhône Department, which he afterwards represented in the French Senate. His name deserves to be added to the ever-