Membership

Obituary

The Society regrets to record the deaths of the following members:

J. M. Brander, Esq.
M. Dharvent.
R. Vernon Favell, Esq., f.s.a.
Dr F. W. Marshall Greaves.
C. E. Hammond, Esq.
A. F. May, Esq.
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Col. F. G. Statham.
Mrs T. V. Wheeler, f.s.a.
W. Wright, Esq., f.g.s.

Richard Vernon Favell, M.R.C.S., F.S.A., F.S.A.Scot.

R. Vernon Favell died with tragic suddenness at his home, Penberth, St. Buryan, Cornwall, during the night of Feb. 4th, 1936. He became a member of the Prehistoric Society of East Anglia in 1920 and served for several periods upon the Committee and was always a generous donor to its funds and to general archaeological research. He was a Fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute; a member of the Royal Horticultural Society; an active member of the Royal Institution of Cornwall and of other learned societies, and acted as Local Secretary for the West of England on behalf of our Society.

He was a skilled and experienced excavator and most careful observer. From 1922 to 1935 he co-operated with the writer in the scheme of organised research at Grimes's Graves and was jointly responsible for the excavation of Pits 3 to 14 and also numerous workshop floors. He carried out important excavations on various prehistoric sites in Cornwall and research work on the Yorkshire and Derbyshire moors, the results of which enriched the local museums. During the course of years he amassed a large and varied collection of prehistoric implements, by excavation, field collection and purchase, carefully documented and of the greatest scientific value, which, in accordance with his wishes, has been divided between the National Collection and the more important provincial museums. A native of Sheffield and a member of an old and highly respected medical family, he practised medicine in Sheffield until his retirement to Cornwall, in 1924, where he devoted himself to archaeology, horticulture and Local Government. He was a County Councillor for Cornwall and Chairman of the Education Committee. In 1933 he served as High Sheriff for Cornwall.

He was a man of transparent honesty, quiet and unassuming indisposition, with a remarkable ability to grasp the essentials of any matter and at all times took a sane and cautious view on all prehistoric problems. His genial, sympathetic and understanding nature won for him the respect of all who came in contact with him and the affection of those who were honoured by his friendship. His passing is a real loss to this Society and to Science. In Cornwall he will be long remembered for his work in furthering the cause of daffodil culture and the fishing industries as well as for his archaeological researches and generous gifts to the museums of Truro and Penzance.

A. Leslie Armstrong.

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