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OBITUARY.

GEORGE HERBERT RAE GIBSON, D.S.O., M.D., F.R.C.P.EDIN.

The untimely end of Dr. George Gibson, whose death occurred suddenly on July 19, 1932, aroused feelings of sincere sorrow among his many friends and colleagues. The only son of Dr. George Gibson, the eminent heart specialist, he was born in Edinburgh on April 8, 1881. Receiving his general education at the Edinburgh Academy, he commenced his medical curriculum at the University of Edinburgh in October, 1900. His study was, however, broken by a period of active service in the South African War. Graduating M.B., Ch.B. in 1906, he served successively as House Physician and House Surgeon at the Royal Infirmary. He was admitted a Member of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh in 1908, and was raised to the Fellowship three years later.

After short periods of work and study in mental diseases at the Crichton Royal, Dumfries, the London County Council Asylum's Pathological Laboratory at Claybury, at Zurich and at Munich, he was appointed an Assistant Physician at the Royal Edinburgh Asylum in July, 1909, under the late Prof. G. M. Robertson. In July, 1910, he graduated M.D.Edinburgh with high commendation for his thesis on dementia præcox. Towards the end of 1910 he visited some of the principal post-graduate medical schools of the United States and Canada, and finally he settled in general practice at Vancouver, B.C., in the spring of 1911.

On the outbreak of the war in 1914 Dr. Gibson was appointed Medical Officer to the 7th Canadian Infantry, 1st British Columbia Regiment, with the rank of captain, and later became personal A.D.C. to the G.O.C., 1st Canadian Division. From May, 1916, to July, 1918, he was D.A.D.M.S. to this Division, when he became Second-in-Command of the 3rd Canadian Field Ambulance, and was present at every general engagement in which the Canadian Corps took part. In December, 1918, he was given command of the Canadian Convalescent Officers' Hospital at Matlock Bath. Some of his earlier war experiences are recorded in his Maple Leaves in Flanders. He was awarded the Croix de Guerre and the D.S.O.

On his demobilization in April, 1919, Gibson was appointed Commissioner of Medical Services to the Ministry of Pensions, Scottish Region, and in 1921 he became a Deputy Commissioner of the General Board of Control for Scotland.

The charm of Gibson's personality will long be remembered by those with whom he came in contact. He had a flair for friendship. His quiet equanimity and lively sense of humour seldom failed to soothe the ruffled feelings of others. In his capacity as Secretary of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, he maintained the dignity of office with rare distinction.

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