

ARTHUR MEE.—Arthur Butler Phillips Mee was born on October 21, 1860. He was the son of the late Mr. George Samuel Mee, who, after a brilliant career at Glasgow University, became pastor of a Baptist Church at Aberdeen. Arthur Mee was born in that town, and moved to Llanelly when his father left the ministry for journalism. Mr. Mee's early years were spent in Llanelly and there he married Miss Claudia Thomas, a native of the town. He joined the staff of the *Western Mail* in 1892, and remained connected with that journal as an assistant editor up to the time of his death.

Astronomy was one of his earliest hobbies and throughout his life he retained the keenest interest in the science. He made a speciality of Mars and the Moon, observing for years with an 8½ in. Calver reflector. Two of his Martian drawings appear in Flammarion's "La Planète Mars," while on March 11, 1892, he observed, for the first time, the transit of Titan and its shadow on the globe of Saturn. In addition to several booklets, he published an excellent work "Observational Astronomy," one of the best companions for amateur observers. His selenographical work was of considerable value; a large portion has not yet been published. He was an original Member of the Association, and was at one time a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society, and of the Société Astronomique de France.

The interment took place at Cardiff Cemetery on January 19, in the presence of a large and representative gathering.—H. P. W.