

Archibald Campbell.

The West of Scotland Branch has lost an old and valued member in the person of Bailie Archibald Campbell, who died on 1931 November 5, at the age of 70, at his residence, Argyll Lodge, Pollokshields, Glasgow. He had been for long a prominent figure in the public life of Glasgow, and took an active interest in a wide range of movements—social, philanthropic, and cultural.

Bailie Campbell was born in the Tradeston district of Glasgow, and received his school education in the city, studying also at Glasgow University. He went into the engineering business, and became in time sole partner of the firm of Messrs. Andrew Campbell and Co., shipwrights and engineers. As a representative of Gorbals Ward, he was a member of the Corporation of Glasgow for 20 years—1900 to 1920. He became a Bailie in 1906, and during his tenure of office as a Magistrate fulfilled for a year the duties of Senior Magistrate. His cheerful and amiable character and his large range of interests made him popular throughout a wide circle. He was much interested in affairs relating to the Highlands of Scotland, and was a prominent member of the Clan Campbell Society and of many societies concerned with science and the arts. He was a Fellow of the Scottish Society of Antiquaries and of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society.

On 1903 February 26, he was elected a member of the British Astronomical Association through the West of Scotland Branch. In 1905 he was elected a member of Council of the Branch; in 1906 as a Vice-President; and in 1909, on the death of Major John Cassells, he was called to the Presidential chair. He performed the duties of President with much acceptance during the two sessions 1909-11. His addresses to the Branch, which were delivered in a racy and attractive style, were much enjoyed and appreciated. In more recent years, while he was not able to be a regular attender at the meetings, he was present from time to time, and contributed in an interesting manner to the discussions. At their meeting on November 19 the Branch put on record their regret at his loss and their sympathy with his relatives.
