

OBITUARY

MRS MARY STANLEY

All members who use the Library will be very sorry to know that the Assistant Librarian, Mrs Mary Stanley, died on 1962 October 26, following a very short illness, at the age of 78.

One of the consequences of the increasing membership was that by 1952 the work of the Library was more than could be dealt with on Wednesday afternoons by the Honorary Librarian, and in that year Mrs Stanley was appointed the first Assistant Librarian. Later on she also undertook the whole of the routine work on behalf of the Curator of Slides. For ten years she gave excellent service to the Association, and invaluable help to the Librarian. The unusual care and trouble she took over every request was greatly appreciated by all borrowers, and scores of letters testify to the personal regard felt for her, many from members who had never met her. Some regular visitors to the Library came to know her very well, in spite of her deafness—an affliction which did not prevent her from continuing her other work as a teacher of music.

Mrs Stanley was a Theosophist and deeply interested in Eastern religion and philosophy; she had a wonderfully serene attitude to life and to death.

J.L.W.