

## OBITUARY

MR. H. S. BARWELL

WE regret to record the death at the age of 83 of Harold Barwell, who was for many years Consulting Surgeon for Diseases of the Throat, Nose and Ear to St. George's Hospital and past President of the Laryngological section of the Royal Society of Medicine. He was in his day, a leading authority on Diseases of the Larynx and was the author of a standard treatise on "Diseases of the Larynx" as well as of many articles in Encyclopædias and systems of Surgery, particularly in regard to tuberculosis of the larynx.

Harold Barwell was born in 1875, the son of the late Richard Barwell, Surgeon to Charing Cross Hospital. Educated at Westminster School he entered St. George's Hospital as a scholar in 1893. After qualifying and holding several resident posts at his hospital he obtained the F.R.C.S.Eng., and was for two years Senior Clinical Assistant at the Throat Hospital, Golden Square. He was Surgeon to the Throat and Ear Hospital at the Hampstead General Hospital and laryngologist to the Mount Vernon Hospital for Diseases of the Chest, subsequently becoming head of the department for Diseases of the Throat and Ear at St. George's Hospital in 1907.

His clinical interest was mainly in the field of Laryngology, but in all branches of the specialty, he was markedly sound in judgement, a skilful operator and a real friend to his patients.

His two sons qualified from St. George's and one of them Professor C. Foster Barwell is Professor of Bacteriology at the London Hospital