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## EDITORIAL

THIS *Journal* has in the past undergone many vicissitudes. Its readers of to-day are probably unaware of the early difficulties with which it had to contend and how valiantly these were overcome by those pioneers of laryngology and otology who were endeavouring to establish these branches of medicine and obtain a just and proper recognition for them. One of these was Arthur Sandford, whose death at the age of 81 removes a man who gave freely of his time and money to this end and to whom we shall always owe a debt of gratitude.

Just as the *Journal* seemed firmly established the Great War intervened and naturally it suffered greatly. Thanks to the indefatigable work of Dan McKenzie, alas! also dead, it was enabled to survive but in the post-war years its future seemed precarious. To-day we mourn the loss of the man, Arthur Logan Turner, who became its Editor in 1921, and who in the nine years that followed built up with consummate care and industry our *Journal* as we now know it. Only those whose privilege it was to work with him can appreciate fully the amount of thought and degree of devotion that were expended so freely in its service. Although he had retired for many years from active participation in its production he always remained intensely interested in its welfare and we shall miss more than we can say his ever helpful advice and staunch support.

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