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he was appointed Professor of Midwifery and Dean of St Mungo's College, Glasgow. He was the author of A Text-Book on Midwifery (1899); Clinical Lectures on the Hæmorrhages of Pregnancy (1899); Clinical Obstetrics (1903); Delayed and Complicated Labour (1911); and of numerous papers on obstetrics and gynæcology in medical journals.

He was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1901, and died on December 17, 1932.

SPENCER MORT, M.S., M.D., F.R.C.S.E., studied at the Universities of Glasgow, Paris, Dresden, Stockholm, Munich, and Amsterdam, and for twenty-two years held the appointment of Medical Superintendent and Surgical Director of the North Middlesex County Hospital, Edmonton. During the War he was a Lieut.-Colonel in the Royal Army Medical Corps, and Officer Commanding and Chief Consulting Surgeon to the Special Military Surgical Hospital at Edmonton, being twice mentioned in dispatches. Among his published works are a thesis on *Resistance to Peritoneal Bacterial Infection* (1913); and on *Surgical Experiences at North Middlesex Hospital* (1914). He was also the author of numerous articles on operative surgery and radium therapy.

He was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1914, and died on November 21, 1932.

JOHN W. TAIT, B.Sc., was Rector of Leith Academy for over twenty years, and retired about ten years ago. He was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1904, and died on December 17, 1932, in his seventy-first year.

JAMES EDWARD TALMAGE, D.Sc., LL.D., F.R.M.S., F.G.S., formerly President and Professor of Geology, University of Utah, was born at Hungerford, Berks, on September 21, 1862, and died on July 27, 1933. He was elected a Fellow in 1895.

JOHN MILLAR THOMSON, LL.D.(Glas.), F.R.S., F.C.S., F.I.C., Hon. Fellow King's College and Queen's College, London, was born in the precincts of the Old College of Glasgow on March 7, 1849. He was Professor of Chemistry, King's College, London, from 1887 to 1914, and Vice-Principal from 1905 to 1914.

He was elected a Fellow of the Society in 1880, and died on March 22, 1933. (For details of his life and work see *Obituary Notices of Fellows of the Royal Society*, No. 2, December 1933.)