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FATHER BEDE JARRETT

AT three o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, the 17th of March, in the Hospital of SS. John and Elizabeth at London, Father Bede Jarrett died, at the age of 52, after an illness of a month. How great a loss his going is cannot be expressed. Four times Provincial of the English Dominicans, from 1916 to 1932, his courageous government gave them much of their present position and hopes. Founder of the priories of Oxford and Edinburgh, the school at Laxton, the missions of South Africa and Persia—the list is incomplete and scarce hints at the devotion to his Province for which he spent his life. It was his vision that started this review fourteen years ago. In 1932 he was appointed its editor and elected Prior of the House. One who worked in close contact with Father Bede since then would here record his admiration for the qualities he saw so steadily displayed: imperturbability; humour and gallantry in face of difficulty; sympathy with everything frank and adventurous and young; generous friendship given to so many; deepest of all, whole-hearted surrender to the loving wisdom of God. For the sake of his friends BLACKFRIARS hopes soon to print a memoir, but better than any written words the voices of those he loved and served will for all time sing the praises of God in the choir of the priory he built. His life gave joy, and this his death does not take away, but adds a promise. May he rest in peace.