

## OBITUARY

GUGLIELMO BILANCIONI, 1881—1935

(Professor of Otolaryngology in the University of Rome)

THE successor of Ferreri was, of course, the leader of our Speciality in Italy. He was a very cultured and learned man. Even as a student, during a long illness, he wrote a Dictionary of Botany. After qualifying he spent some time in pure physiology, under the well known Luciani. Dedicating himself to Otolaryngology he became a privadocunt at Pisa before becoming Professor in the University of Rome. Here, in addition to his work in the Speciality, he took a great interest in aviation and the physiology of aviators. He shared in the crusade against consumption. Though far from being a strong man he took his share in his duties as a citizen. But his heart was really in study, literature, and historical research. He had almost an obsession for writing and, fortunately for the culture of our Speciality, his contributions were chiefly devoted to memoirs of Valsalva, Eustachius and other great pioneers in our line of practice. He was a most modest and amiable Professor. No doubt his historical researches and his literary work were a great consolation to him during his relatively short life of poor health.

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