

Sir Patrick Hehir, C.B., C.M.G., K.C.I.E., M.D., D.T.M., F.R.C.P.E., F.R.C.S.E., Major-General, I.M.S., Knight of Grace of the Order of St John of Jerusalem.

BY the death of Patrick Hehir on May 1, 1937, the Indian Medical Service and the medical profession generally have lost a very remarkable figure. From being a student in the Calcutta Medical School, and a hospital apprentice in the Bengal Submedical Department, he rose to be a Major-General in the Indian Medical Service, a Companion of the Bath, a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George, a Companion and later a Knight Commander of the Indian Empire, a Knight of Grace of the Order of St John of Jerusalem, a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, and in 1893 Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh. He saw service in many campaigns: Burma, 1886-87, medal with clasp; North-West Frontier, Tirah, 1897-98, medal with clasp; War of 1914-18; Iraq, as A.D.M.S. of Colonel Townsend's force in Kut; advance on Kut, battle of Ctesiphon, and defence of Kut; taken prisoner at Kut but released soon after; the second Waziristan campaign and Afghanistan, 1919. He wrote many books covering a wide field. He contributed to the Report of the First Hyderabad Chloroform Commission in 1892; he wrote *Malaria in India* (1927), a subject in which he was specially interested, and a number of other volumes. He was a man of many gifts, kindly in his outlook; a very hard worker, with a keen sense of duty; he spared no effort to equip himself for the work which he was called upon to undertake.

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