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IN MEMORY OF
JOHN RUSKIN,

Who died January 20, 1900, in the 81st year of his age.

THY voice is still: the voice long lifted up
In scorn of sloth, oppression, sinful greed,
The voice that pealed in silver tune and chime
Proclaiming Truth and Right—the hand that held
The torch of Beauty high 'mid dusky ways
Of human life and passion—these are still,
Hushed in the twilight of eternal calm,
And but the memory of thy presence left.
Yet this shall haunt us; this thy presence, pure
And strong as morning risen above the crest
Of some great mountain lonely in its pride,
Shall cheer us thro' the stormy hour of doubt
And imminent eclipse. For while we tread
With tired feet the dark world's thoroughfare,
Our hearts, made nobler by thy work, shall pause
To bless thy honoured name, nor vainly seek
Sweet solace in the message that was thine.

E. H. BLAKENEY.

SANDWICH, KENT, *January 23.*

Obituary.

THE death took place last week of the Rev. George Buckle, Precentor and Canon Residentiary of Wells, and father of the editor of the *Times*. He was educated at Christ's Hospital and Corpus Christi College, Oxford, where he took a First Class in Mathematics, and subsequently won a Fellowship at Oriet. He remained at Oriet as Fellow and tutor. He was ordained deacon in 1846 and priest two years later by Bishop Samuel Wilberforce. For fifty years he laboured as parish priest and canon in the diocese of Bath and Wells, where his name was a household word, and he was greatly beloved. He was a contributor to the *Times*, and a regular writer in the *Guardian* from its first number. He was Examining Chaplain to Lord Arthur Hervey, and was a member of Convocation.

We much regret to note the death of Dr. Cheetham, formerly Bishop of Sierra Leone, which took place at Bournemouth on Friday. He resigned his see in 1881, and returned to England, since which time he has rendered the cause of evangelical missions valuable assistance by his public advocacy.

Canon Henry John Ellison, the founder of the Church of England Temperance Society, died at Canterbury early on Christmas morning, in his eighty-seventh year. In 1861 he seriously took in hand the work of temperance organization, and the following year the society which developed into the Church of England Temperance Society was formed.

The death is announced of the Rev. Whitwell Elwin, a Norfolk rector for fifty years, who for many years edited the *Quarterly Review*. He was born in 1816, and was the friend of Lord Brougham and many other celebrities of the past. He had a remarkable knowledge of eighteenth-century literature.