

Sir James Barr, C.B.E., M.D., LL.D., F.R.C.P.

JAMES BARR, who died on November 16, 1938, at the age of eighty-nine, was born in County Tyrone, Ulster. He was educated at Londonderry and the University of Glasgow, where he graduated in 1873. Appointed house physician to the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool, he later succeeded Sir William Mitchell Banks as medical officer to the Kirkdale Gaol. The reforms which he suggested in the care and treatment of prisoners were widely recognised and at the request of the Government he visited and reported upon the conditions obtaining in the Irish prisons. His work in this connection was acknowledged by a Knighthood which he received in 1905.

Sir James was associated prominently with the medical and social life of Liverpool for many years. He was an Honorary Physician on the staff of the Royal Infirmary and was President of the Liverpool Medical Institute. During the Great War he acted as chairman of the Liverpool War Committee and was awarded a C.B.E. for his services. A Knight of Grace of the Order of St John of Jerusalem; he was an LL.D. of Liverpool and Toronto.

He was elected a Fellow in 1904.

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