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SAMUEL ZWINGLI. †

One of the oldest and best known members of the Swiss Colony, Mr. Samuel Zwingli, passed away on the 14th November, at the age of 69, at St. Mary Abbots Hospital, South Kensington after a short illness due to broncho-pneumonia.

Mr. Zwingli came to London 45 years ago, and took up a post in a wholesale drapery firm in Watling Street, E.C. When later he left the firm, he joined Messrs. J. B. Reynier Ltd., wine importers, and became their representative for the last 25 years. The management expressed their appreciation for the untiring energy and devotion to the Company and to his friends.

His father was a clergyman in Basle, and laid it near to his heart in tender years not only to be concerned with financial success in life, but also to seek the higher values of life. This explains why at an early date he became active in the Swiss Church. He also joined the Swiss Y.M.C.A. and served on its Committee for over 30 years.

In 1949 Mr. Zwingli lost his wife, after 33 years of wedded life. As the marriage remained childless, he must often have felt the loneliness very acutely, yet to the outside world he was always cheerful. He overcame all obstacles with an undaunted spirit. Those who knew him were aware that this was not casual, but that life had a strong foundation of faith in God.

At the funeral service, which took place on the 19th November at Hendon Park Cemetery, Rev. H. Spörri referred to the great hope enshrined in the Christian faith, which has the assurance of a life beyond and is stronger than death. Mr. W. Fischer, on behalf of the Swiss Y.M.C.A., recalled the great services rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Zwingli as far back as 30 years ago, when they opened their home to the young Swiss who came to this country to study or to work. Many of them are now in leading positions in Switzerland, and will mourn over the loss of their loyal friend. May the devotion shown to them, and the example of a strong faith, be an encouragement to many who have known him.

Our sympathy goes to his niece Sister H. Gloor, the only relative in London. W.F.

PERSONAL.

It may interest the readers to know that "THE YOUNG TRAVELLER IN SWITZERLAND" written by Mariann Meier has been accepted by the Pestalozzi Children's Village at Trogen as a book to be used by all their classes for English.

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Miss Cynthia, M. Werner, M.A. has passed the examinations of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and has been elected a member of the Institution.

Hearty congratulations to the new A.R.I.C.S.

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We regret to announce the passing away of Mr. Alfred Walter Studer of River Lodge, Hook Road, Goole, husband of Bertha and father of Ronald, at the age of 63.

DER FREIE MANN.

Glücklich der freie Mann,
Der auf sich selber gestellt!
Selig, wer lachen kann
Ueber die Torheit der Welt.

Glücklich, wer nicht sich fragt,
Ob er wohl jedem gefällt,
Sondern der unverzagt
Tut, was er für richtig hält.

Max Berlinger-Hilty.

A WELCOME CHRISTMAS GIFT!

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