“Six feet in height, with a grey beard, very active up to the age of his retirement, he was a figure familiar to every San Franciscan.”

To many of his English colleagues who attended the 13th International Ophthalmological Congress at Amsterdam in 1929 it was a great pleasure to meet this distinguished and courtly gentleman; and we extend our sympathy to his sons, Drs. Hans and Otto Barkan, who are so worthily following in their father’s footsteps.

DR. AMY SHEPPARD, O.B.E., D.P.H.

We regret to record the death on January 22, 1936, of Dr. Amy Sheppard, consulting ophthalmic surgeon to the Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital.

Miss Sheppard was born at Dudley, 76 years ago, the daughter of Thomas Sheppard of Kingswood, Birmingham.

After school she took up science at Mason College and matriculated in 1884. On coming to London she passed the preliminary science examination of London University and entered the Royal Free Hospital. She took the M.B. in 1892 and decided to specialise in ophthalmology, becoming a clinical assistant at Moorfields.

Her first hospital appointment was assistant physician to the New Hospital, but after a few months she resigned to become assistant ophthalmic surgeon to the Hospital. She took the D.P.H., Cambs., in 1898, being one of the first women to take this diploma.

In 1896 she became ophthalmic surgeon to the Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Hospital, where she worked till 1922, and was then elected consulting ophthalmic surgeon.

During the War Miss Sheppard served as ophthalmic surgeon at the Military Hospital, Endell Street.

Miss Sheppard’s number on the roll of the London School of Medicine for Women was 140. She was thus one of the pioneers, and in ophthalmology she was essentially a pioneer among qualified women.

NOTES

On page 62 we drew the attention of our readers to the fact that the management of the journal was prepared to sell back numbers and a tentative price was there announced.

Since then the matter has been gone into more carefully and the following facts are authorised.