

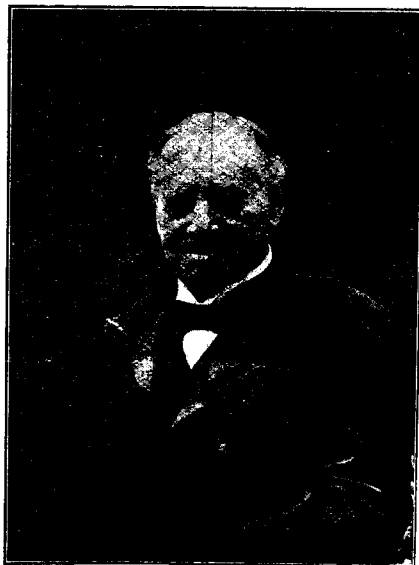
# OUR MOST DISTINGUISHED RESIDENT, DR. C. D. GINSBURG, PASSES AWAY.

SOUTHGATE has lost its most distinguished resident, in the person of Dr. Christian David Ginsburg, who died last Saturday at his house, "Oakthorpe," Palmers Green, at the ripe old age of 82.

He was born at Warsaw in 1832, of Jewish parents, and when at the age of 14 he became a Christian.

For 60 years this wonderful man has worked at deciphering the manuscripts of the Bible. All he found had been written by Jews. For some years he had been engaged on a new edition of the Bible for the Bible Society. In this Bible he shows how the Psalms were written. "It is no easy task," he said, at a house dinner given to him at the National Liberal Club on February 12th, 1912, "to decipher these manuscripts, but I do not mind the difficulty. I feel privileged that my life has been spared to do this work, for the more I study the manuscripts the more I am amazed at the contents of the Bible. Whatever our theological views, it is the dominant part of our life. If I were spared for two years more I hope to complete

His task is, we believe, practically completed. It is a wonderful work that has been accomplished by this grand old man, who has now been called to his rest.



Dr. C. D. Ginsburg.

Dr. Ginsburg was, perhaps, one of the most learned men in the world. No man could measure his knowledge of the Hebrew and Oriental languages. His own collection of Bibles rivals, if it does not surpass, that of the nation.

He was a great chess player, a keen politician of the moderate Liberal type. Mr. Gladstone taught him to play backgammon.

A worker to the last, his greatest production was "The Massorah," which represented 30 years of incessant research. No man in those days pursued scholarship with so complete a disregard of the monetary reward of learning.

His life has been rich in its fulness, and the world is the poorer by the loss of a great and noble man. We in Palmers Green deeply mourn the loss of our most distinguished resident, whose presence among us was an honour to the whole district.