

OBITUARY NOTICE - REGINALD E. EVANS

By the untimely death of Reginald E. Evans on October 14th at the age of 42, the Institute has lost a Member of great activity in regard to science as applied to brewing. Deceased received his scientific education at the city and Guilds of London Institute, Finsbury, and in 1889 he was appointed chemist to Messrs. F. Kendall and Son, Ltd., Stratford-on-Avon. His ability as a chemist was soon recognised by the firm, and he rose rapidly to be chief of the laboratory department, becoming a Director of the Company in 1906.

Mr. Evans was a man possessed of a wide knowledge of brewing and its allied industries. His many contributions to technology indicate not only great originality and power of observation and deduction, but they also show the practical trend of his mind. Few men, in the brief space of about twenty years, have made more useful and suggestive contributions to our knowledge, and in this account, as well as by his striking personality and fund of information, he will be long remembered by the Members of the Institute of Brewing. Not only did he contribute fourteen Papers to the various Sections of the Institute of Brewing, of which a list arranged in chronological order is appended, but he frequently took part in discussions following Papers by other Members. Those who had an opportunity of studying Mr. Evans' Papers will be struck by one characteristic feature which pervades them all, namely, the very few references to the work of others which they contained. He usually preferred to strike out some new line of thought for himself. Some might regard this as a fault, but in his case it was certainly more than compensated for by originality.

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