

## Obituary

### Wm. Y. CHISHOLM: 1898-1969



William Young Chisholm was born in Inverness, Scotland, and was educated at Inverness Academy and Edinburgh University where he took a degree of B.Sc. in Forestry. He served in the Army during the First World War and on demobilisation attended a course in forestry for ex-service men at Alness Castle, Ross-shire. His first job was in Dickson's Nurseries, Cheshire, and from there he went as Head Forester to Melchett Court in Hampshire.

When Mr. Chisholm came to Ireland in 1931 he was already an experienced forester. He spent the next 22 years at Birr Castle in Offaly where he was in charge of Lord Rosse's extensive woods and estate sawmill and it was when he was at Birr that he joined our society as a foundation member and later was elected to the council. In 1953 he took up the challenging position of Estate Agent for Captain Bruen and managed the woods, gardens, tillage and dairy farm at Oakpark, Carlow, up to the time of Captain Bruen's death in 1958.

When Oakpark was sold to *An Forus Taluntais* in the following year Mr. Chisholm went to Lismore Castle where he was Head Forester, Sawmill Manager and Fisheries Manager on the Duke of Devonshire's large estates in County Waterford and it was here that he died at Greenmount on the 8th September, 1969.

For a quarter of a century William Chisholm attended the meetings, study tours and outings of the Society. His advice on the running of our affairs was always most valuable and his contributions to technical discussions showed his wide knowledge of forestry. He will be remembered for his gay spirits and his readiness to enjoy himself at evening sessions and to join in the light-hearted fun after a long day's excursion through the forest.

We extend our sympathy to his wife and daughter who live in Dublin and to his son in Surrey, England.

H. M. FITZPATRICK.