Obituary

We regret to announce that Professor Edward Arning passed away after a short illness on August 20th. He was in his 82nd year. Born in Manchester of German parents, he later studied in Hamburg and took his medical course in Heidelburg and Strasburg. He studied skin diseases in Breslau under Oscar Simon and Albert Neisser. From 1883 to 1886 he worked at leprosy and ethnology in the Hawaiian Islands. Arning's experiment in inoculating a condemned criminal with leprosy is well known. The latter developed leprosy, but it was found out later that this criminal had leprosy in his family, and the value of the experiment was therefore negatived.

On returning from Hawaii Arning worked as a dermatologist in Hamburg. He has published many valuable contributions on ethnology, and on various aspects of skin diseases. But his principal work was on leprosy, on all the various aspects of which his writings have helped to shed much light. As a leprologist he is one of the great landmarks of the past.