

his superiors and inferiors alike. The capture of the King of Delhi by the coolness and ready courage of Lieutenant Hodson is fresh, of course, in the memory of all our readers.—*Guardian*.

QUINTIN DICK, ESQ.

March 26. In Curzon-street, Mayfair, aged 81, Quintin Dick, Esq., formerly M.P. for Maldon, uncle of W. W. Fitzwilliam Hume, Esq., M.P. for the county of Wicklow.

The deceased was for many years a member of the House of Commons, and was much respected as a man of independent thought, sterling good sense, and unwavering attachment to Protestant principles. He represented the borough of Maldon, Essex, for fifteen years, during which period he stood four contested elections. In the general election of 1847 he was defeated by Mr. T. Lennard, and shortly afterwards was invited by the Conservative constituency of the borough of Aylesbury, in Buckinghamshire, to become a candidate for its representation, a vacancy having occurred by the unseating of Mr. J. P. Deering, on petition. After a warm contest he succeeded in defeating his Liberal opponent, Mr. John Houghton, and sat in Parliament for that borough until 1850, when he retired from public life altogether. For some years he suffered greatly from confirmed and protracted ill-health, and his demise, deeply regretted as it must necessarily be, was not unexpected by his relatives. Mr. Dick was unmarried, and died possessed of enormous wealth. Mr. Dick was the son of an eminent merchant in Ireland, and was born in 1777. He took the degree of B.A. at the University of Dublin, and was called to the Irish bar about the commencement of the present century. He was introduced into Parliament in 1814, as M.P. for the since disfranchised borough of St. Ives, in Cornwall, and represented the Irish constituency of Cashel from 1817 to 1819, when he vacated his seat, and remained out of Parliament until 1826, when he was elected for Oxford. In 1828 he exchanged the constituency of Oxford for that of Maldon, which he represented in the Conservative interest for fifteen years. Mr. Dick was an extensive East India proprietor, and his large fortune (it is said between two and three millions sterling) passes, we believe, to his niece, daughter of Mr. Wentworth Fitzwilliam Hume, M.P. for the county of Wicklow.

JOHN FREDERIC FOSTER, ESQ.

April 9. At his residence, at Alderley, in Cheshire, aged 62, John Frederic Foster, Esq.

He was the son of the Rev. Dr. Frederick William Foster, who filled the episcopal office amongst the "Unitas Fratrum," or Moravians, by his wife, a daughter of the Rev. Benjamin La Trobe, also a distinguished bishop of the same Church. Mr. Foster was born at the village of Wyke, near Halifax, in the county of York, in the year 1795, and received the early part of his education at one of the Moravian settlements in the north of England, under the superintendence of the Rev. John Rogers, now pastor of the congregation at Fairfield, near Manchester. Having matriculated at Queen's College, Cambridge, he proceeded B.A. 1817, M.A. 1821, and was called to the bar by the Benchers of the Middle Temple on the 1st of June in the latter year. He subsequently commenced practice as a barrister in Manchester, chiefly in conveyancing, and attended the quarter sessions of the Hundred of Salford, where his excellent abilities, sound judgment, and high character soon led to his legal advancement. In 1825 he was one of the three candidates for the office of stipendiary magistrate of Manchester, an important office in the gift of the Crown. His two competitors were the late Mr. Hall, afterwards Recorder of Liverpool, and Mr. W. W. Fell—the latter gentleman being the successful candidate, and being appointed by Lord Bexley, then Vice-Chancellor of the duchy. Mr. Fell took the oaths on the 29th of July, 1825. He only sat once in his new office, dying suddenly on the 1st of August next following. Mr. Foster and Mr. Hall were again candidates, and Lord Bexley appointed Mr. Foster in August, 1825. The arduous duties of this office, when the whole of the criminal and other petty sessional business for the Manchester Division came before him, Mr. Foster discharged with exemplary punctuality, energy, and ability, until April, 1838, when the death of James Norris, Esq., left the chair of the quarter sessions vacant; and on the 9th of that month, the first day of the April quarter sessions, Mr. Foster was unanimously elected to the chair, which he filled with great honour to himself and to the benefit and satisfaction of the public during twenty years, having died on the day of the anniversary of his appointment. In May, 1829, he was placed in the commission of the peace for the County Palatine, and on the 18th of April, 1839, was appointed Recorder of Manchester.