NATHANIEL S. KEITH

Dr. Nathaniel S. Keith, a charter member of the Institute and its first secretary, died suddenly in Philadelphia, on January 27, aged eighty-seven.

Dr. Keith was born in Boston July 14, 1838. He was educated as a chemist in his father's chemical laboratory, New York City, and was engaged in electrical work as investigator, inventor, editor, and electrical engineer since 1870. He was one of the most active in the small group of men whose conferences finally brought about the organization of the Institute in 1884. He was one of the members of the Electrical Conference held in Philadelphia in 1884, and was a judge at the Philadelphia Electrical Exhibition in the same year. For many years past Dr. Keith has been in business in Philadelphia as a consulting engineer.