

OBITUARY.

THE OLDEST GREEK IN MANCHESTER.

In the person of T. P. Petrocokino, of Sedgley House, Prestwich, who died in Paris on the 16th inst., after a short illness, the Hellenic colony of Manchester lost one of its prominent, oldest, and highly respected members. Mr. Petrocokino was born in the Island of Chios, during the Greek War of Independence in 1825. His parents escaped the fearful Turkish carnage of the Island of Chios, and the family found refuge in Greece, and then went to Constantinople. Mr. Petrocokino, who was the brother-in-law of the late Mr. J. C. Zigomala, came to Bradford in 1854, where for 20 years he was the managing partner of Messrs. Stavert, Zigomala, and Company, and in 1874 came to Manchester, where he managed this well-known South American house until his death. He leaves in the firm his two sons-in-law, Mr. Frangopulo and Mr. Copehill. His other two sons-in-law, Mr. Negropontis and Mr. Agelasto, represent in Manchester the Indian house of Agelasto and Co. The late Mr. Petrocokino was very much respected amongst his countrymen, not only because he was the oldest Greek in Manchester, but for his geniality, generosity, and good-heartedness. He was the acknowledged president of the Greek colony, and a generous subscriber for the needs of the Greek community, and in general for every patriotic Hellenic cause was always at the head of the subscribers with hundreds of pounds. His Majesty the King of

the Hellenes conferred on him in recognition of his great patriotism the distinguished Order of the Golden Cross of the Saviour. It is expected that the body will be conveyed here, and that the funeral ceremony will take place at the Greek Church, Higher Broughton. Mr. Petrocokino leaves three sons to mourn his loss. The eldest, Mr. Ambrose Petrocokino, was for some time in his father's business at Bradford, and, we believe, has lately been exploring in Africa; the second, Mr. Pandia Petrocokino, married Miss Henriette Bles, daughter of the well-known Dutch artist; and the third son, Mr. John Petrocokino, married a daughter of Mr. William Mather, M.P.