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### Abstract

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In 1863 Edward Livingstone began his career as a bookseller situated in premises at 57 South Bridge. In 1865 Edward was joined in partnership by his brother Stuart, thus founding E. & S. Livingstone. Over the years the business expanded and diverged into printing and publishing as well as retail trade. It is interesting to note that the first student magazine "The Edinburgh University Magazine", was published by E. & S. Livingstone in 1871. By 1881 expansion called for larger premises and a wise choice of Teviot Place was made. Their printing, however, was carried out at 4 Melbourne Place close to our own premises. The firm began to specialise in medical and scientific works and in 1916 the retail business was sold to William Bryce. At the present time Livingstones have over 400 titles in their catalogue of medical, dental, scientific and nursing works.

It is a tribute to E. & S. Livingstone to note how many of our present day textbooks are published by them. Many well-known authors both past and present have trusted this firm with the publishing of their books. Sir Reginald Watson-Jones, Dr. E. B. Jamieson, Sir Dugald Baird and Sir Stanley Davidson are a few among the many whose books, published by E. & S. Livingstone, are in every day use. The publishing of journals has only recently been undertaken but has achieved great success. The firm is responsible for the publishing of such journals as The Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery, British Journal of Urology, Quarterly Journal of Experimental Physiology, and many others. We salute Messrs. Livingstone, and wish them every success in the future.

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