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Mrs Strong, or AP as she was affectionately known, was a friend and mentor to all who passed through the RMS in her years here. It comes as no surprise then that the Royal Medical Society has tried to find ways in which to express its debt of gratitude for her many years of service. Perhaps the only person who would have been surprised would have been AP herself. The main meeting hall in the RMS rooms in Edinburgh has been renamed the Strong room, the connotations of which will not be missed by those who have witnessed her fortitude.

In addition, Res Medica has once again been resurrected. This edition is, in part, a way for the RMS to say "Thank you", to AP. Inside, you will find much, dedicated to her memory.

As with the end of any era one wonders what the future will hold, and whilst those of us who were honoured enough to have known AP reflect on her life, we also contemplate the next era of the RMS and what it will hold. After all, it's what AP would have wanted.



Ian Baxter, editor.