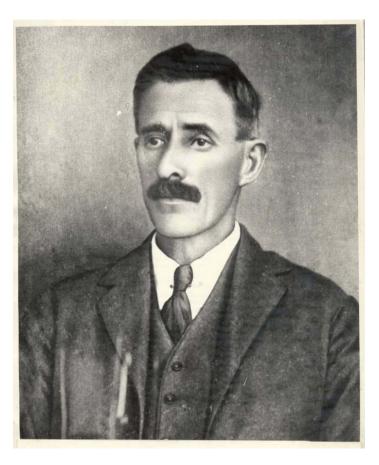
JOHN EVERSHED (1864 – 1956)



John Evershed joined Kodaikanal Observatory in 1907 as the Assistant Director and became the Director in 1911. He was the Director during the period (1911-1923). In 1909 Evershed discovered that there is radial out flow of gases in a sunspot. This effect is now known as the "Evershed effect". For this seminal work he was elected to the Royal society in 1915 and was awarded the gold medal of the Royal astronomical society 1916.