

DEATH OF THE BISHOP OF EXETER.—Recent papers bring accounts of the death of Dr. Philpots, Bishop of Exeter, at the advanced age of 91. The deceased Bishop did much in his day for the advancement of High Church principles in the Church of England. We notice the death, too, of the Archbishop of Armagh.

LETTER TO THE POPE.—The Moderators of the last General Assemblies of the Old and New School Presbyterian Churches have written, in behalf General Assemblies, a reply to the letter which, last year, was addressed by the Pope to the Protestant Churches, inviting them to join the Church of Rome. The letter sets forth a very distinct statement of the differences between the Evangelical Churches and the Church of Rome, specifying various doctrines and usages which Protestants believe to be contrary to Scripture and to the practice of the early Church.

METROPOLITAN OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF CANADA.—The Rev. Dr. Oxenden, Bishop of Montreal, and Metropolitan, has arrived and entered on the discharge of his duties. The Bishop, who is said to be thoroughly evangelical and truly devoted, has already won the esteem of all who have had opportunities of knowing him.

PRINCETON, N. J.—The attendance of Theological Students at Princeton is less than usual, the Junior Class numbering 31 against 40 last year. The College, under Dr. McCosh, has, however, a larger attendance than ever, 320, while students are still coming.

WELSH CALVINISTIC SYNOD.—The Annual Meeting of the Welsh Calvinistic Synod was recently held at Carnarvon. Deputations from the Free Church of Scotland, the English Presbyterian Church, and the Irish Presbyterian Church were present and delivered appropriate addresses. There was preaching in the open air one evening, and the day was devoted specially to preaching, the services being attended by about 10,000 hearers. The Rev. Mr. Lumley, of Liverpool, and Rev. Mr. Thomas, with others, officiated.

THE SCOTCH ESTABLISHMENT IN THE HIGHLANDS.—In several parishes in the Highlands the people have in a mass left the Established Church. At Watnish, in Skye, this is the case, also at Lochs, in the Island of Lewis, Rosshire, the inhabitants of which have presented a petition to the Home Secretary, praying the Government not to issue a presentation to any new incumbent, and to grant to the people of the parish the use of the parish church, now without a congregation, or to do otherwise as may be required by a regard to justice, economy and public utility.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE IRISH CHURCH.—Active steps are being taken for the organization of the Irish Church, and it is interesting to see the importance which the lay element is assuming. All appear to be impressed with the conviction that the laity must be represented in the General Synod, which is to be convened. A sum of upwards of \$10,000 has been already promised to a Substitution Fund for the ministry.

An Obituary Notice of the late W. Dunbar, Esq., of Dumbarton, and one of the late Rev. W. M. Mackey, are in type, and will appear in next number.