

He spoke most warmly of Bishop Tyrrell, saying of him, that 'he worked as hard as his brother of New Zealand; adding, merrily, 'but I think I could get through as much work as either of them, even now!'

The good Bishop's work on earth was, however, all but ended, for in two months from this time he was gone to his rest. My uncle felt very deeply the greatness of this loss, and spoke of the disappointment as well as sorrow which it caused, but dwelt on the blessedness of such a 'dying in harness,' and of the Bishop's being called away, like Nelson, in the hour of his highest honour."

"*Hæu, valde deflendus!*" Joshua Watson wrote, February 21, 1853, to Canon Wordsworth:—"The good Bishop was yesterday released from his sufferings and his labor, and, we humbly trust, is gone, through the mercies of God and the merits of His Son, to an antepast of that final reward which is promised to all good soldiers of Christ. He has, so far as man's judgment may dare to pronounce, been permitted to fight the good fight, and literally to spend himself in his great Master's service. He is, indeed, little less a martyr than many whom the church gratefully remembers. He came with a clear foresight of all the perils he was to encounter in a solitary voyage from one end of the world to the other with a certainty that, if prosperously ended, it would be to battle with the dangers of a changeable climate at the worst period of its year. Against this he was seriously warned; but no dissuasions moved him. He thought there was a chance of his being enabled in some way to advance the interests of the Church Catholic at home and abroad; and with this possibility in prospect, he determined to brave all evils and inconveniences. And verily, so far as I can see, he has not been, humanly speaking, without reward even here. He died in hope, the last words he was heard distinctly to utter being, 'As the waters cover the sea!'"
—*Memoirs of the Rev. Josh. Watson.*

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