

advanced class of a limited number of young ladies. This proved so successful that she was induced to extend her plan so as to embrace all the classes of a first-rate seminary, and this proved a great blessing to Montreal and to Canada, from all parts of which pupils came to receive that culture that was to fit them to be alike amiable and useful in after life.

Under the influence of her genial and hearty Christianity, many of Miss Lyman's pupils gave themselves to the Saviour, and, doubtless all, more or less, profited in a spiritual point of view. Though connected personally with the Congregational Church in Montreal during her long residence in this city—a connection which did not cease till her death—she was eminently liberal and catholic in her views, and appreciated and loved what was good in all denominations. Nor were her Christian efforts confined to her school; for a good while she met a large class of British soldiers, who came weekly to her parlor for Bible instruction, and who held her in the highest reverence. She was also deeply imbued with the missionary spirit, and was mainly instrumental in getting up a Ladies' Missionary Society, which has, for a number of years, been doing a good work.

When repeatedly called to take the place of first Lady Principal of Vassar College, she at length yielded to what she believed to be the call of God, broke up her flourishing establishment in Montreal and devoted the remainder of her life to that greatest and best endowed of female schools. In this extended sphere of usefulness, she was followed by the same blessing and the same success as before, notwithstanding the gradual wasting away of her life for the last two or three years. She died at Vassar College on the 21st February, enjoying the most tender and sympathizing attentions of the faculty and students, and of some of her nearest relations, who sedulously watched her dying-bed. She passed away calmly in the full enjoyment of that faith in a personal and present Saviour,

which had been her support through life; and the manifestations of respect which accompanied the departure of her remains for sepulture in Montreal, were of no ordinary kind. Rev. Dr. Raymond, Principal of Vassar College, and Mr. Vassar, nephew of the founder, and one of the trustees, accompanied the body to its last resting-place in the Mount Royal Cemetery,—one as representing the faculty, and the other the trustees of the College, and the coffin was beautifully decorated with floral wreath, cross, crown and anchor—the tributes of affection of all the classes of Vassar.

A numerous company attended the funeral services in Zion Church, which were conducted by her pastor and friend—the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, assisted by Rev. Dr. Raymond of Vassar, and Rev. Canon Bancroft of Trinity Church, Montreal. Dr. Wilkes told how faithful the deceased had been as a member of the Church of Christ, and how much she loved its ordinances, especially the communion of the Lord's Supper. He also adverted to her generosity in educating, without charge, a number of young ladies who could not otherwise have enjoyed the advantages of her classes; and in ministering secretly to the destitute and afflicted. Principal Raymond testified to the fidelity and ability of her administration in Vassar College, which had surpassed even the very high expectations of the trustees and faculty.

Soldiers in distant stations of the British army, whom she instructed in Bible classes; Missionaries in various parts of the world, to whose lonely fields of labor her kindly sympathies and generous aid found their way; pupils who remember with gratitude her instruction and her influence on their spiritual life, will hear of her death with sadness.

Her remains will rest in one of the most beautiful parts of the beautiful Mount Royal Cemetery; and doubtless some appropriate memorial will be reared over it, perhaps by her affectionate pupils scattered over Canada.