

IN MEMORIAM.

REV. ALEXANDER MUTCH,

Your Committee on Obituaries, have to report REV. ALEXANDER MUTCH among the slain. He was ordained to the work of the ministry at Norton, in July, 1848, and continued faithful to his ordination vows, until he exchanged his ministry on earth for his reward above. A large part of his ministerial life was devoted to missionary work. At one time, he connected with the ministry of the word, the sale of religious books, and, in this capacity, was instrumental in supplying many parts of the country with a healthful, religious literature. The libraries of ministers were frequently replenished with valuable books, through the active efforts of our departed brother. He travelled extensively in nearly all parts of the Province, preaching the Gospel, and scattering broadcast the good seed of the kingdom. It would be interesting to know how many sermons he preached in his day, and how many good books he put in circulation; but he has left no record to which we can refer. All, however, is recorded in the books above, and he will not fail of his reward. His last years were spent quietly in the bosom of his family at Fairfield, K. C., where he departed this life on the 31st of May, 1875, aged 76, and in the 27th year of his ministry.

He was a kind husband, a loving father, a sincere christian, and a good minister of the New Testament. Death, to him, we doubt not, is eternal gain.

His funeral obsequies were numerously attended, and an appropriate sermon was preached on the occasion by Rev. David Crandal.

We would express our deep sympathy with his bereaved widow and his seven surviving children; and, pray God, to fill their hearts with the consolations of his grace!

I. E. BILL, *Chairman,*