

## OBITUARY FOR 1880-81.

AIKMAN, LT.-COL. MICHAEL, ex-M.P.P. for Wentworth, in the U.C. Assembly, 1838-40. B. 1797; d. at Barton, Ont., 21st March, 1881. S. of Col. John Aikman, a U.E. loyalist, he commanded a troop of cavalry during 1837-38 on the Niagara frontier. He unsuccessfully contested South Wentworth, 1856.

ALLAN, LADY MATILDA (*née* Smith), wife of Sir Hugh Allan of Ravenscrag, Montreal, to whom she was united, 1844, d. in Montreal, 11th June, 1881, aged 53.

ALMON, REV. HENRY PRYOR, D.C.L. (1873). B. in Halifax, N.S., May, 1837; d. there, 24th November, 1880; 4ths. of the late Hon. N. B. Almon; ed. at a private school and at the Collegiate school, Windsor, and passed his matriculation for B.A. with credit. Ordained deacon, 1860, and advanced to the priesthood, 1861. Had served successively at Digby Neck, Bridgetown and Newport. He was an enthusiastic supporter of King's College, N.S., from which he obtained his doctor's degree.

ANDERSON, MAJOR SAMUEL, C.M.G. (1877), R. E., Inspector of Submarine Defences, Eng. B. in London, Eng., 15th November, 1839; d. in Scot., 11th September, 1881. Was surveyor on the North American Boundary Commission, for surveying and marking out, from the Pacific Ocean to the summit of the Rocky Mountains, the boundary line, on 49th parallel of north latitude between British Columbia and U.S., according to Treaty of Washington of 1846, 1859-62; and Chief Astronomer to the British Commission, under Major D. R. Cameron, C.B., R.A., for the definition of 900 miles of the North American frontier from the

Lake of the Woods (determined in 1825) to the terminal point erected on the summit of the Rocky Mountains in 1861, 1872-74. As a tangible result of the labours of the British Commission, the whole boundary was marked by stone cairns, or earthen mounds, at 3-mile intervals across the great plains, and by iron pillars, at 1-mile intervals for 135 miles throughout the Southern boundary of Manitoba. To the tact, zeal and ability displayed by Major Anderson, the Foreign Secy. gave most ample credit, and in recognition of his services he was nominated a C.M.G. Declined the order of Takova, 1879. A memorial of him has been erected by his brother officers in Rochester Cathedral.—*Royal Engineer's Journal*.

AYLMER, LADY (Mary Eliza Journeaux), wife of the Rt. Hon. Lord Aylmer, d. at Melbourne, P.Q., 14th September, 1881, aged 71.

BABBITT, SAMUEL W., Cashier of the People's Bank, of N.B. B. in N.B., 1813; d. at Fredericton, 14th December, 1880.

BAILEY, THOS. J., M. Inst. C. E., Govt. Engineer for P.E.I. (1877). B. 1837; d. in Charlottetown, P.E.I., 6th May, 1881. Had served on the Canada Pacific Railway survey and for the Hudson's Bay Co.

BAILLAIGRE, REV. JEAN FRANÇOIS XAVIER, a R. C. priest. B. in Quebec, 11th March, 1798; d. there, 5th Oct., 1880. Ordained priest 1823, he laboured successively at St. Eustache, Chambly and Châteaufort. He was apptd. a professor in the Quebec Seminary, and remained connected with that institution until his death. He was the oldest priest in the diocese.