John Harvard Castle.

and took on a force almost unknown before. Friends, old and new, came about him. It was the land of Beulah, and thence he passed to the Paradise of God." The burial took place at Rochester, June 14th, when, among others, the following participated in the services: Rev. H. C. Peeples, Dr. A. H. Strong, Dr W. N. Clarke, Dr. A. H. Newman, Dr. D. B. Thomas, Rev. J. W. A. Stewart.

Such was the mould of circumstance into which Dr. Castle's life was run. Such were the successive stages and turnings of the road along which his noble career was accomplished. What of the career itself? We are impressed most of all with its remarkable usefulness. This was a feature of the earlier years. Active ministerial life was begun at twenty-three. The pastorate at Pottsville was full of missionary labors. Of the years at Newburgh one writes, "Here the divine blessing attended his milistry in a remarkable degree. large numbers having been brought to a knowledge of the truth, and the church having been developed in every good way." During the long pastorate in Philadelphia, Dr. Castle was not only instrumental in the conversion of hundreds of souls, the development of a large and vigorous church, and the erection of a noble church building; he also for years rendered valuable service in the denominational work of the vicinity, and on the Boards of the American Baptist Publication Society, the Missionary Union, the Lewisburg University, the Crozer Theological Seminary, and other institutions.

. But "in the midst of the years," he was not, as so many men are, a spent force, from whom nothing further could be expected There came to him now a still larger opportunity, and right well did he improve it. Unquestionably his greatest usefulness was achieved in Canada. The story is a familiar one of how, on coming to Toronto as pastor, he found his charge housed in the plain, humble quarters of the old Bond St. meeting-house; how his ministry received immediate and continuous blessing in the conversion of many souls; how a new spirit of enterprise took possession of the church; how within three years he led them into the new and magnificent edifice on Jarvis St.; how the membership of the church was increased and its sphere enlarged, till it secured for itself and the Baptists of the city a command-

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