

Through all his long ministry she has been his able help-meet, always leading in every good work in the parish, and greatly enhancing the attractiveness of the Rectory. She survives him, with four sons and two daughters, and we are sure they will have the earnest prayers and heart-felt sympathies of all the members of our Society at this time of bereavement.

It was on the morning of Monday, March 20th, that he quietly passed away without pain or struggle, after a week's confinement to his bed. On Wednesday, the 22nd, the Cathedral of St. James was filled to its utmost capacity with ministers and laity of all churches, and after a most solemn service, and an address by the Dean's old friend, the Rev. Alexander Sanson, his loved and revered form was interred where he had so often ministered, just in front of the Communion table.

MR. JOHN LOWRY.

Yet another death among those who have been long connected with our Society, making the third in the short space of a fortnight, and the fourth within five weeks. At 1:30 a.m., last Sunday, March 26th, our veteran colporteur, Mr. John Lowry, quietly left this life of toil and labour, and entered into his eternal rest. He had been with us at Mr. Christie's funeral, and on Tuesday, the 21st, he was very anxious to have a last look at the face of his old friend, the Dean; but his daughter, with whom he was living, felt that it would not be wise to allow him to do so, as he had caught a severe cold at a meeting on the previous evening. It was not until the Friday that his family became apprehensive of any danger, and though his physician had little hopes of his recovery, he did not expect him to pass away so soon. He was, however, very mercifully dealt with, spared much pain, and retained his consciousness up to the very last, when his daughter was, by his desire, engaged in prayer at his bed side. He was, in his dying hours, as he had been through the long days of his life, pre-eminently a man of prayer.

There can be little doubt that constant communion with God was the secret of his success, which was very marked. It has only been within the last few years that any of the Society's colporteurs, though younger men, have equalled him either in the amount of labour or the number of sales effected month by month. This was the more remarkable, because there was no rapidity or bustle about his movements, but a quiet persistence which, with God's blessing, accomplished great things. Yes, we say "great things," for though the work of a colporteur is thought little of by the world, and alas even by some Christians, there can be little doubt that in the great day when "the fire shall have tried every man's work, of what sort it is," many eloquent sermons, which had attracted much attention, will have been burned as stubble, while the toilsome plodding of the colporteur with his pack of Bibles will receive high rewards from the unerring Judge. The work of a Bible Society colporteur cannot be lost, for God has promised, "My word shall not return unto me void; but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." It is true that, so far as the