

sive of danger, fled into the water, as being apparently the only way of escape, and the current being very rapid, carried him off his feet, and swept him away before assistance could be rendered.

Confirmatory of the sad circumstances here related, we may quote the following from an editorial of the *Montreal Gazette* of the 15th August :—

“The sad death by drowning of this young clergyman and the circumstances connected, make one of the most painful incidents that has occurred for some time. Labouring under great mental nervousness and anxiety brought on by severe study, he evidently entered the water to escape what he conceived to be the pursuit of a couple of men who were approaching him, and was carried off his feet by the current, which at that point is very strong. This seemed so likely that the jury felt warranted in returning a verdict of accidental drowning. The deceased gentleman was greatly beloved by all who knew him. He was an earnest labourer in his Master's work, and had already achieved distinction as a clergyman. He was a hard and conscientious student; and being of somewhat weak, physical frame, he broke down under the intellectual strain. His death is a great loss to the church, which is not too well supplied with young men of brilliant talents and earnest piety. We are sure we but speak the common sentiment of all who knew Mr. Macnab, when we say that his family have the most heartfelt public sympathy in their bereavement.”

The recovery of the body in so short a time—within a week—and so near the place of the accident, was, it was said, under the circumstances quite unprecedented; none having ventured a hope that it would be found, if found at all, in less than a fortnight. On Friday the 16th August, the remains were conveyed by