



THE CEMETERY AT CATARAQUI—THE CROWD AROUND THE GRAVE.
THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD.

THE FUNERAL CEREMONIES.

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thick and fast. The principal buildings in the city were heavily draped, the shops were closed, and everything betokened a day of sincere mourning. About two o'clock the special parliamentary train arrived from Ottawa, and preparations were immediately made for the last march to the cemetery at Cataraqui, three miles distant.

The funeral ceremony at Kingston partook more of a family and less of a state nature than had been the case at Ottawa. It was much more largely attended by the people without that distinction of class which was more apparent in the ceremonies of the preceding day. The official representation of societies of every description was unusually pronounced. The 14th Battalion lined the passage from the door of the City Hall to the hearse, and at half-past two o'clock eight men of "A." Battery R.C.A. lifted the honoured casket and slowly carried it out of the Hall. Two buglers, stationed in front, blew a salute with military precision; and as the notes rang out through the air the coffin was deposited in the hearse. A mounted marshal gave the signal, and the vast procession slowly moved on. First came a body of the Kingston firemen, followed by a large number of Masons, representing all the principal lodges in the district. Then came rank after rank of Oddfellows, Young Britons, Foresters, both Protestant and Catholic, St. Patrick's Society, Irish Catholic societies, Select Knights, Sons of England, St. George's Society, and many other similar organizations. City police, two troops of the Frontenac Cavalry, the regimental bands of "A." Battery and the 14th Batt., followed in the order named; while next came the officiating clergy, the floral car and the hearse, accompanied by the Cabinet Ministers as pall-bearers. The surroundings of the hearse were singularly striking and reflected great credit on the

originator of the idea. It was placed in the centre of a hollow square, composed of R.M.C. Cadets, the men of "A." Battery R.C.A., Kingston Field Battery and the 14th Battalion, all with arms reversed.

After the hearse and its guard, the following order was observed:—

The Chief Mourners.
Sir C. Gzowski, representing Her Majesty the Queen, and
Lieut.-Col. H. R. Smith, representing His
Excellency the Governor-General.
Lieut.-Governors of Provinces.
Archbishop Cleary and Clergy.
Rev. Dr. Wardrobe and Clergy.
General Cameron, R.M.C.
The Speaker and Members of the Senate.
The Judiciary.
The Speaker and Members of the House of Commons.
Members of Provincial Councils and Assemblies.
Consuls of Foreign Powers.
Clergymen of the Church of England.
Clergymen of the Church of Rome.
The Kingston Bar Association.
Militia Officers.
Deputations from Societies and Clubs.
Frontenac County Council.
Mayor and Corporation of Kingston.
Ex-Mayors and Ex-Aldermen of Kingston.
Citizens.

The vast cortege slowly wended its way out to the cemetery, where thousands had gathered in anticipation of seeing the last sad rites. The ceremonies at the grave were soon over. Close to the iron railing that surrounds the Macdonald lot was erected a platform on which stood the Venerable Archdeacon Jones and Rev. Mr. Bogart, attired in the black cassock and white surplice of the Anglican Church. In solemn tones, that reached far and wide, Archdeacon Jones read the impressive burial service of the Church, the great crowd joining reverently in the responses. The coffin was enclosed in its wooden shell, and all that was mortal of Sir John Alexander Macdonald was slowly lowered into the tomb.

Sir Daniel Wilson's New Book.

All lovers of archaeological literature will be glad to learn that Sir Daniel Wilson, LL.D., F.R.S.E., the highly esteemed President of University College, has published, through A. & C. Black, Edinburgh, what the learned author says is practically a new work, a revised edition of his famous "Memorials of Edinburgh in the Olden Time." The opening words of the prospectus are interesting from their memories. Sir Daniel Wilson says: "Upwards of fifty years have elapsed since the author of 'Memorials of Edinburgh in the Olden Time' began the work with pen and pencil, to which is due the perpetuation of its reminiscences of the ancient Scottish capital. At that time it was still Scott's own romantic town; but since then much of its characteristic picturesqueness has been 'improved' and effaced. The West Bow and old Castle Hill; Blackfriars and St. Mary's Wynds; St. Mary's Well at Restalrig; St. Ninian's Row, with the beautiful Collegiate Church of Queen Mary of Gueldres; Blyth's Close, with the Palace of Mary of Guise, and many another work of historic interest have vanished, though not without disclosures suggesting much revision of the old text. In the interval a reprint of the book has appeared (in the English *Illustrated Magazine*, I believe), which was issued notwithstanding the author's protest. He had collected much fresh material, including copious notes from the late Charles Kirkpatrick Sharpe, with a view to a revised edition, when he learned, to his extreme annoyance, of the re-issue of his obsolete text." To remedy so injurious an action Sir Daniel has published the present edition, which is to be upon the counters of Messrs. Williamson & Co., Toronto, where also I saw a lovely new edition of Professor Goldwin Smith's "Trip to England." Of this work I have spoken in praise in a former letter, and will only add that the delicate white leatherette cover, printed in pale lavender, makes a charming dress for a charming book.

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