

was many times, as he believed himself, as well as others, at the point of death. On several occasions he gave up work and retired into privacy, without any hope of ever resuming it. On one occasion he was for years out of sight, so that when he emerged into the light again, the younger men did not know him. After all that, he spent the last 20 years of his life in the Professor's chair. He had retired from the active duties of the chair and a successor was appointed at last Assembly. His removal is different from that of some of the men to whom reference was made during the last year, for he was an old man and full of years; his work was done, but they seemed to be in the fulness of their strength. There have been some other deaths of late, but none that merit the same notice as that of Professor Henry Wallace, who, sixty years ago, began his ministry in the town of Holywood. H.

CANADA.—Our Episcopalian friends in Nova Scotia are on the horns of a dilemma. Dr. Edgehill having declined the proffered bishopric, the bishop of Iowa was offered the appointment, it is now said that he, too, has declined; if this be true it will fall by consent of parties to the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Bishop of London to nominate. The difficulty as it seems to us is mainly due to the unfortunate regulation of the church which draws a line of distinction betwixt the votes of the clergy and the laity, and insists upon a majority of both in elections of this kind. The sooner such a rule is removed from the statute book the better. The one hundredth anniversary of the first Colonial Bishop, Dr. Inglis, to the see of Nova Scotia, was celebrated on the 12th of August, simultaneously with the Queen's jubilee. There are now in all *sixty-nine* bishops in the colonies or dependencies of the Empire, and thirteen missionary bishops in other parts of the world. The total number of clergymen supervised by these eighty-two bishops is 3352—an average of forty-four in each diocese. From the single diocese of Nova Scotia, erected in 1787, seventeen have sprung up in Canada, from ocean to ocean. Quebec was founded in 1793; Toronto in 1839; Fredericton in 1845; Rupert's Land in 1849; Montreal in 1850. In the Methodist Church the principal subject of interest at present is the scheme for confederating Victoria College with the Provincial University of Ontario. The amount needed to give effect to the scheme is \$450,000. Of this Rev. Dr. Potts, who has only recently been released from pastoral work, has secured \$170,000. The General Missionary Board is to meet in Montreal in Oct. The income available for appropriation for all missions, Foreign, French, Indian and Domestic is over \$200,000. The death of Rev. D. Kennedy, S.T.D. has caused a serious loss to the Wesleyan College, Stanstead. A committee of trustees is charged with securing a new Principal. Rev. Dr. Macdonald, the dis-

tinguished Methodist missionary to Japan, is in this country at present and, along with a Japanese gentleman, Mr. Hiraiwa, is expected to visit Montreal and the West during the present month. Rev. F. H. Marlin, late of New York, has entered on the pastorate of Emanuel Congregational Church, Montreal. The Theological Colleges in the Dominion, will soon be in full blast. All of them are alive to the importance of securing permanent endowments. Knox College, Toronto, has obtained its desired amount of \$200,000, on paper; Queen's University at Kingston, is advancing with rapid strides to its figure of \$250,000 additional; the Presbyterian College, Montreal, if it has not enough for its immediate requirements, is at least not on the war-path at present. The Manitoba College has land in sight. Halifax is happy. Morrin is founded on a rock, and contented with a modest patrimony, but it needs and deserves reinforcement. Mr. S. R. Briggs, manager of the Toronto Tract Depository, died of typhoid fever last month. He was ever zealous in mission work, and will be greatly missed. The marriage of Rebecca, daughter of Rev. Father Chiniquy, to Rev. Joseph Morin, of Lowell, Mass., has given occasion to our venerable friend to say,—“This is the first daughter of a priest of Rome, who is publicly and solemnly offered on the Christian altar of marriage, by her father in this great Republic.” Mr. Moody, of Northfield, is expected to pay a lengthened visit to Montreal this autumn.

UNITED STATES. The proposal to erect a grand Protestant Cathedral in New York, has already elicited a number of individual subscriptions of \$100,000 each, towards the ten millions aimed at. There are not awaiting croakers to exclaim, “This might have been given to the poor.” Well, the greater part of these ten millions will certainly be given to the working people of New York in return for their honest labour, and it is to be presumed that the poor of New York will have provided for them a place where the gospel will be preached to them without money and without price. Let them arise and build! The Presbyterian Board of Publication has recently had cause to mourn the loss of two of its leading office-bearers. Dr. John W. Dulles, its general secretary, and Mr. Samuel D. Powel, its treasurer. Dr. Dulles was a bright and shining light, an accomplished scholar, a clever writer, and altogether a most valuable man. Dr. R. G. Wilder, the Editor of the *Missionary Review*, has announced his intention, owing to failing health, of retiring from the management of the Magazine founded by him, and which he has carried on with great ability and success, until now. He proposes returning to India, the scene of his former missionary labours, and to devote his few remaining days, to the furtherance of missions among the heathen. God bless our friend!