

BISHOP SLATTERY DIES SUDDENLY

**Boston Prelate, Long Rector of
Grace Church Here, Heart
Disease Victim.**

HAD A BRILLIANT CAREER

**Received Large Vote Twice at Elec-
tion of Episcopal Bishops
In New York.**

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BOSTON, March 12.—The Right Rev. Charles Lewis Slattery, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, died suddenly of heart disease at his home, 175 Beacon Street, at 7:30 o'clock tonight. He was 62 years old.

Although wearied from the pressure of duties in his own diocese, Bishop Slattery went to Providence, R. I., last Thursday to conduct the noon-day Lenten service at Grace Church for his brother-in-law, the Rev. Dr. William Appleton Lawrence. On his return home on Saturday he went to bed. It was supposed he was tired out, so all of his appointments for the next few weeks were cancelled and Dr. Samuel G. Babcock, Suffragan Bishop, arranged to share with the retired Bishop, Dr. Lawrence, Bishop Slattery's duties temporarily.

Dr. Channing Frothingham, Bishop Slattery's family physician, had been attending him since Saturday. Shortly after 6 o'clock tonight the Bishop's condition suddenly became worse and Dr. Frothingham could not be reached, so Dr. George P. Denny was called in. He was at the bedside when Bishop Slattery died. The only other person present when the end came so unexpectedly was Mrs. Slattery.

Bishop Slattery was rector from 1910 to 1922 of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, Broadway and Tenth Street, this city, known to people all over the land through its figuring in Denman Thompson's play "The Old Homestead."

He had succeeded in that influential parish the late Rev. Dr. William Reed Huntington. From Grace Church he went to Boston as Bishop Coadjutor of Massachusetts to assist Bishop Lawrence, now retired. Dr. Slattery came to Grace Church from the rectorship of Christ Church, Springfield, Mass.

Married Predecessor's Daughter.

About a year after becoming Bishop Coadjutor, Dr. Slattery married Miss Sarah Lawrence, a daughter of Bishop Lawrence. At that time he was 56 years old.

For many years Bishop Slattery was chairman of the Joint Commission of the Book of Common Prayer of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which completed its fifteen years' task in October, 1928, at the last triennial General Convention in Boston.

After the death of Bishop David H. Greer, Dr. Slattery received a considerable vote at the election of his successor, the Right Rev. Charles Sumner Burch, then Bishop Suffragan of New York. Again, after the death of Bishop Burch, which took place within two years, Dr. Slattery received many votes, but Dr. W. T. Manning was elected. Soon afterward Dr. Slattery was elected Bishop Coadjutor of Massachusetts. He automatically became Bishop of Massachusetts in 1927, when Bishop Lawrence retired on account of his age and health.

Dr. Slattery was born in Pittsburgh on Dec. 9, 1867, the son of the Rev. George Slattery, an Episcopal minister, and Emma McLellan Hall Slattery. He was graduated from Harvard in 1891 and from the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass., in 1894. Harvard in 1923 conferred the honorary degree, Doctor of Divinity, on him.

In Northwest Several Years.

In 1894 Dr. Slattery was ordained a deacon, and in the next year was advanced to the priesthood. The first two years in the ministry he spent as a master at Groton School and rector of St. Andrew's Church, Ayer, Mass. Thence he went to Faribault, Minn., to be dean of the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, remaining eleven years. Thence he was called to the Springfield church. He was consecrated Bishop Coadjutor in Trinity Church, Boston, on Oct. 31, 1922.

A special train took a large delegation that went to Boston from Grace Church, this city.

For some years Bishop Slattery served as general chairman of the Church Congress of the United States, an unofficial organization of Episcopal clergymen of the "broad" church group who meet annually.

He was president of the board of trustees of Wellesley College and a trustee of Boston University and of Brooks School, named for Dr. Phillips Brooks.

He was a lecturer in the Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, from 1905 to 1907, and in the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn., in 1909 and 1910. In 1911-12 he gave the Paddock lectures at the General Episcopal Theological Seminary, this city. In 1915 he delivered the West lectures in Stanford University. He had been a preacher at Harvard since 1921.

Among the books written by Bishop Slattery were: "The Master of the World: a Study of Christ," 1906; "Life Beyond Life—a Study of Immortality," 1907; "The Historic Ministry and the Present Christ," 1908; "Present-Day Peaching," 1909; "The Authority of Religious Experience," 1912; "The Light Within," 1915; "Why Men Pray," 1916; "The Gift of Immortality," 1916; "A Churchman's Reading," 1917; "Certain American Sketches from Life," 1916; "A Study of the Lord's Prayer," 1919; "The Spirit of France," 1923; "In Times of Sorrow: a Book of Consolation," 1927; "Words From His Throne: a Story of the Cross," 1927, and "Following Christ," 1928.

Bishop William T. Manning, on hearing of Bishop Slattery's death, said:

"I am greatly grieved and shocked. Bishop Slattery's death is a sad loss not only to the Diocese of Massachusetts but to the whole Church and will be deeply felt by his many devoted friends in this city and diocese."



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**RIGHT REV. C. L. SLATTERY,
Protestant Episcopal Bishop of
Massachusetts, Who Died
Last Night.**