DEATH OF CARDINAL MANNING.

We regret to announce that Cardinal Manning died at his residence, the Archbishop's House, Westminster, at twenty minutes past eight o'clock this morning. The Cardinal had been confined to his house by an attack of bronchitis since Thursday last week. It was not, however, until four days ago that he took to his bed. After this his condition grew gradually worse, and the bulletin issued last night had prepared the public for the worst. In the early hours of this morning his strength began to fail rapidly, but he was able to join in the prayers that were said for him until he became unconscious at half-past seven. He passed away without any pain.

HIS LAST MOMENTS.

So grave was the condition of the Cardinal yesterday morning that the last sacraments of his Church were administered to him. Father John, of Ely, who officiated, Canon Johnston, the Cardinal's private secretary, and Bishop Vaughan, of Salford (who is generally regarded as the Cardinal's probable successor), being also present. When a dignitary of the Roman Catholic Church in ecclesiastical orders, he summoned his stewards round his bed and made his Profession of Faith. Dressed in their vestments, the priests of the diocese of Westminster grouped themselves round the Cardinal's head. Provost Gilbert, Vicar-General and Chaplain of the Chapter, read out the words of the Profession. The Cardinal followed with his finger on another book, and now and then he would pause to say a word upon any point which he wished specially to emphasize. When the last word had been said, the cardinal individually blessed the men, accompanying each blessing with a kindly observation. Then the canons reverently kissed his hand, and one embraced him as to his work was his best could. Last sign a priest touched his arm, and so Cardinal Rambolla, Secretary of State to the Pope, was received from the Vatican, conveying the Blessing of the Holy Father.

SKETCH OF HIS CAREER.

His Eminence, Henry Edward, Cardinal Manning was a son of the late Mr. William Manning, M.P., of London, and was born at Tavistock, Devonshire, July 15, 1809. He was educated at Harrow and Balliol College, Oxford, where he graduated in 1832 in the first class honours in 1839, and became Fellow of Merton College. He was for some time one of the select preachers in the University of Oxford, and was appointed rector of Lavington and Graffham, Sussex, 1834, and Archbishop of Canterbury in 1847. In 1853, three years after the decision in the famous Gordon case, the result of which was highly dangerous to his dignity, he joined the Roman Catholic Church, in which he received the priesthood, and in 1879 founded an ecclesiastical congregation at Cheshunt, called the Venerable Society of St. Charles Borromeo. The degree of B.D. was conferred upon him at Rome, and the title of Provost of the Catholic Archdiocese of Westminster, Protomartyr Apostolic, and Vicar Apostolic of the Pope. After the death of Cardinal Wiseman, Archbishop Manning was consecrated Archbishop of Westminster, June 8, 1874. Pope Pius IX. created him a Cardinal Priest, March 15, 1876, the title assigned to him being that of St. Andrew and Gregory on the Credence Hill. Dr. Manning wrote four volumes of sermons and other works before 1830, which made a large number of works he has proceeded from his pen, chiefly on doctrinal questions or subjects relating to the position of the Roman Catholic Church in England. Cardinal Manning was a member of the Royal Commission on the Working Classes which sat in 1854-55 under the presidency of the Prince of Wales. The Cardinal was also a member of the Education Commission of 1870. He was a member of the House Committee, one connected with the proceedings of Dr. Stead, the other being that which sat in 1880 for the purpose of settling the great dock strike. The celebration of the Cardinal's episcopal jubilee took place on Sunday, the 5th of June, 1880.