



# *Obituaries*

## *Salisbury Cathedral & Close*

### **DEATH OF THE DEAN OF SALISBURY**

The death of the Very Rev. Henry Parr Hamilton, M.A., F.R.S., F.G.S., Dean of Salisbury, was prematurely announced on Saturday morning, but it was not until the evening of that day that the event which has been anticipated for some days actually took place. The dean was in his eighty-sixth year, having been born in 1794. He was the son of the late Dr. Alexander Hamilton, physician of Edinburgh, and was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he graduated with a B.A., with high honours in 1816, and was elected to a fellowship. After many years of active clerical life in Yorkshire he was appointed to the Deanery of Salisbury in 1850, in succession to the late Dean Lear. For want of physical strength he had not for twenty years or more appeared much in public. The restoration of the Cathedral, however, was an object of much solicitude with him; and it may be said, that he was the originator of the work, towards which, from first to last, he has contributed many thousands of pounds. He was a warm supporter of the Board of Education and other diocesan institutions; and, in the matter of private charity, his generosity was very great, and an appeal to him for any deserving object was never made in vain.

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