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The late President of the New York Public Library, died at his home in the City of New York on Wednesday, the 11th of March, 1914, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. He had served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Astor Library prior to the time of its consolidation with the Lenox and Tilden libraries, and as a Trustee of the consolidated Library from its formation until his death—covering a period in all of over thirty-four years. He became a Vice-President of the Public Library

upon the death of Bishop Henry C. Potter, and President upon the death of John Bigelow. The time during which he held these two offices was relatively short, but it by no means measures the period of his active leadership in the affairs of the Library.

Mr. Cadwalader was born at Trenton, New Jersey, on November 17, 1836. His father was Thomas Cadwalader, a member of a very well known family of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, which has rendered many services to the nation from the time of the Revolution. His mother was Maria Gouverneur, of Huguenot descent, whose family has been equally well known in the annals of New York. One of Mr. Cadwalader's most recent benefactions-uncompleted at the time of his death-was a memorial to his native place, in the shape of a

handsome addition to the Trenton Public Library.

He naturally entered Princeton, and graduated as Bachelor of Arts in 1856. Four years later, he received from the Harvard Law School the degree of LL.B. Much later in life he was given the honorary degree of LL.D. by Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania, and in 1913 by Harvard University—a distinction he greatly prized.

Soon after leaving the Law School he came to New York to establish himself in practice, and was for a time associated with the late Dorman B. Eaton. In 1869 Mr. Cadwalader was one of those who were most active in founding the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. In 1874 he was selected by Mr. Fish to be Assistant Secretary of State of the United States in succession to Mr. J. C. Ban-