

and other religious ordinances, if some of the other denominations joining us, and the renewal of a spirit of piety can denominate it such." ¹ The zeal and faithful ministrations of Mr. Inglis obtained the public commendation of the great evangelist Whitefield, then making his progresses through the Colonies, and at this period of his career free from many of the extravagances of his earlier years. The friendship of the leading clergy of the neighbouring Colonies, and the confidence and favour of the laity as well, were also secured; and on the death of his wife, and on the loss of his own health, which had been impaired from the first by the unhealthiness of the climate, Mr. Inglis reluctantly accepted an invitation to New York, where he was appointed an assistant minister of Trinity Church, and a catechist to the negroes of the city. So pleasant had been his relations with the venerable Society, that he accepted his new appointment on condition of his continuance on the list of the Society's missionaries.

Mr. Inglis left his earliest cure with the reputation for earnestness, devotion and eloquence. Humble as was the post to which he was transferred, it was at once ennobled by his diligence and assiduous attention to every detail of duty. It was not long before his abilities were recognised on every side, and the historian of Trinity Church, in narrating the annals of this period, refers to "the growing estimate of the value and importance of his services." ² He soon became the confidential correspondent and adviser of the venerable Society, which it was his great pleasure ever to serve. He undertook a mission of inquiry to the Indians, and the results of his observation were of the greatest value. He became a skilful controversialist, defending the Church in the polemic strife ever going on in the Province with Presbyterians and dissenters of various names and beliefs. His sermons were free from the dry, didactic treatment of religious truths so common in the pulpits of the time, and, as may be inferred from the favourable notice they received from Whitefield, were earnest, impassioned, evangelical.

¹ Perry's Hist. Coll. Am. Col. Church, v. 112.

² Berrian's History of Trinity Parish, New York, p. 127.