

services to the Church, he received, in 1878, from the Wesleyan University, Ohio, the well-merited degree of D.D.

The special sphere of Dr. Potts is the pulpit. There he is "Czar of many lands." His imposing presence, his strong, clear, sonorous voice, his impressive manner, the eminently practical tone of his sermons, affecting no tricks of rhetoric, but grappling with the reason and conscience of his hearers, and, above all, their spiritual unction and power—these make his pulpit ministrations remarkably effective and acceptable. A man of sound judgment, of wide travel—he has several times crossed the sea, and journeyed in foreign lands—of keen observation and insight, and of liberal views, his influence is not confined to his own Church, but is felt far beyond it; and few men are more in request on occasions of public interest, and in the anniversaries of sister churches, than is he.

"Combining in his own person," writes a discriminating biographer, "the *suaviter in modo* with the *fortiter in re*, Dr. Potts is known far and wide beyond the limits of his own denomination. He is beloved and revered by those of his own congregation; honoured, respected, and esteemed by those outside of its pale. A Methodist of the Methodists, he is a man of most liberal views; believing that true religion is hedged in by no sectarian prejudices, he willingly assists to the utmost of his power all fellow-workers, irrespective of creed, in the service of the Great Master, and cordially holds out the right hand of Christian fellowship and brotherly love to all who, like himself, go about doing good, and are endeavouring to ameliorate the spiritual and temporal condition and welfare of their fellow-men. Ever ready to assist by his counsel those who are trying to lead a Christian life, he fearlessly denounces, in no measured language, of condemnation and warning, those who are walking in the ways of wickedness and vice."

THE BIBLE.

WHENCE but from heaven could men, unskilled in arts,
 In several ages born, in several parts,
 Weave such agreeing truths? or how or why
 Should all conspire to treat us to a lie?
 Unasked their pains, ungrateful their advice,
 Starving their gain, and martyrdom their price.