

life to speak of is the religious element in it Here we may be most easily mistaken, and grievously misjudge our brother. I desire to speak in such a way as to avoid either making too much or too little of the religious aspect of our friend's life. This we can say in regard to him, that he was a man that had the fear of God in his heart, and endeavored to keep His commandments. He could not take that public part in religious service, which many trained in a different school can take. But he had sincerely at heart the prosperity of the Church of Christ He contributed liberally to the cause of religion God gives to every man his own peculiar gift. What to one man is easy and natural, to another is a very great difficulty and burden. The grace of God can no doubt overcome every difficulty of situation or training or disposition. But that grace is experienced in different degrees, and in a different way in different natures There was no service Mr Shortreed could render to the cause of religion in harmony with his quiet nature and retiring disposition that he would not most willingly render. He would at any time devote a day to visiting families in the congregation, or to any other service asked of him that he could be useful in And in everything we desired to do for the cause of Christ in the congregation we had his warmest sympathy and support. He was one