

have it. If you send a very large roll of flannel to the other three preachers you will do well. And if you add a piece of warm broadcloth sufficient to make each a suit of clothes, you will do well. I'll not slacken my hand in begging. . . . Let us go on and our God will protect and bless us, etc."

If Dr. Coke made these heavy requests, he was all the time sending in large sums of money. He was a marvellous missionary collector. From the Conference of 1810, when Mr. Ward left, until January 1811, he had sent in sums of money, personally solicited, to the amount of \$35,000.00. The three missionaries received their flannel and broadcloth and each returned thanks in the Autumn for the splendid gift. Our missionaries at that time had no guaranteed salary, and were almost entirely dependent upon the liberality of the people.

Mr. Ward labored for two years in Bonavista and was drowned, with all on board the fishing craft, on his way to the District Meeting in 1812.

As our Bonavista missionaries did not begin to make enduring records of births, etc., until 1817 there are no written remains of the Rev. William Ward's ministry. It is a striking coincidence that the Rev. Dr. Coke who was instrumental in sending Mr. Ward to Bonavista died on his voyage to India and was buried at sea, in the Indian Ocean, just two years later. While they rang him out of his native parish church for preaching the doctrines of Methodism, his evangelical zeal was recognized when too late, but the officials of Brecon Parish Church, Wales, allowed the Methodist ministers to instal a mural tablet to his memory. The following is the inscription:—

In the Priory Church at Brecon, Wales.

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"To the memory of the Rev. Thomas Coke, D.C.L., of Jesus College, Oxford, who was born in this borough the 9th October, A.D. 1747, was one of the common-council, and in 1770 filled the office of chief magistrate with honor to himself and equal benefit to the public.

"After a zealous ministry for several years in the Established Church, in 1776, he united himself to the Rev. John Wesley, M.A., and preached the gospel with success in various parts of Great