

He was a good man and true, and his students loved him. How could they help it? He was not perfect. His holy indignation sometimes allied itself too closely with a weakness of temper. His intensity of conviction sometimes became divorced from the equally important and imperative forbearance of the christian graces, and temporary estrangements from loved brethren may have occasionally been the result. But, after all, these were only phases of human imperfection that all, in some form or other, exhibit; and we loved him notwithstanding. When he laid down his work he retired to his native land, and three years after, during which his health was steadily declining, went to his reward in the Kingdom of glory. His memory will linger, while life lasts, with all who were brought into intimate relations with him; and thousands unconsciously enjoy the influence for good which he, in common with many others before him and after, exerted on the educational and spiritual life of our church.

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THE request of the Editor for a paper on this theme, from a layman's point of view, is acceded to, because it is believed that on certain phases of the question, which are intimately connected with the ministerial office and duties, a layman may speak with more freedom than a clergyman, without the danger of having his motives impugned or his words misconstrued.

Far be it from us to speak disparagingly of such men as the late Rev. Mr. Somerville, the Rev. John McNeil or Mr. D. L. Moody; or of many of those of less prominence, who have labored in these lower provinces. In these lines no railing accusation will be brought against Evangelists, either as a class or as individuals. The objections taken, refer more to the system and its advocates than to the Evangelist. The latter is but the natural product of the system.

Ignoring the admission of the writer for the November issue, and the convincing proof submitted by Rev. Dr. McRae in December, the Rev. J. F. Dustan in February calmly asserts that the Evangelists of the present day are "true followers" of