

and open-handed hospitality which, through life, he dispensed to an ever-widening circle. Successive classes of students especially, male and female, as they came and went year after year, were welcomed, not only to the heart of their teacher, but his home. The lonely hearts of young men and women, coming strangers to the city, that were cheered, heartened and brightened in this way, may be counted by the hundred, and are found in all parts of the Dominion and far beyond it. In this he was ably seconded by Mrs. Kirkland, whose unfailing tact, courtesy and kindness of heart and manner made it doubly attractive.

His home life was one of almost ideal peace and happiness, and as husband, brother, friend, in all these relations, it is but the bare, simple truth to say that the departed was a rare and model man. The noble profession to which he was an ornament and strength has, by the death of Mr. Kirkland, suffered a great loss. Equally so has the Presbyterian Church and the cause of Christ. The whole country is the poorer because of his removal from amongst us; but most of all will his loss be felt by his bereaved wife, the family circle of which he was the centre, and a host of friends by whom he was universally and deservedly beloved.

—By the Rev W. D. Ballantyne, B. A., in the Westminster.