

object of hope and promise to the church, and of grateful solicitude to his parents, who, having offered him in infancy on God's altar, now witnessed his acceptance with joy, which none but christian parents can know. After his conversion his talents were immediately pressed into the services of the church, and his early efforts as prayer leader, exhorter and local preacher, gave promise of future usefulness which his after life fully realized. In 1831 and in the nineteenth year of his age he received an appointment from our Conference into our itinerant work, and such were his talents and administrative ability, that the following year he was intrusted with the superintendence of an important Circuit. His church-home was the place of his spiritual birth and of his intelligent and deliberate choice, and to the end of his life he stood by it in loyal attachment, which no adversities within, and no alluring offers without, could ever shake, and up to the day of his death he retained the unlimited confidence of his brethren. He has occupied some of our most important stations, as Hamilton and Montreal, and some of our widest country fields, involving travel on horseback from four to five hundred miles every four weeks, and preaching from twenty to thirty times. For years he was a District Chairman, and once the President of our Conference. He was found faithful in every trust and diligent in all his duties—accepted and loved by the people, and eminently successful in leading many to Christ, some of whom are now in the ranks of our itinerancy. In 1850 he was compelled to retire from the itinerant work, from frequent and sometimes copious hemorrhage of the lungs. He settled in Hamilton, and to his death he continued to serve adjacent Circuits. Last fall, at the invitation of many of his old friends, conveyed to him by the Rev. W. Williams, he went down to assist in the dedication services of a new chapel on the Cavan Circuit. He protracted his visit here for four weeks, preaching nearly every night and three times on the Sabbath days, and suffering from ominous bleeding of the lungs after every service. His visit was hailed with great joy by his old friends, and they flocked and thronged to hear him from all parts, and hung upon his ministration with undisguised delight, and we hope with lasting profit. Immediately after his return home he became prostrated by his too great efforts. For some time he balanced between life and death, during which time he observed to the writer, that his visit to his Cavan friends might and probably would cost him his life, but that even in that event he never should regret it, as it had been such a season of spiritual refreshing. After a week of serious illness he slowly rallied, only to receive another and severer attack. On Tuesday, May the 1st, he was suddenly prostrated by his old troubles (Pleuro pneumonia), while distressing cough and copious expectoration

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