

time he pursued his theological course in Knox College. Through indomitable perseverance and resoluteness of purpose, characteristic of the man, he became one of the most distinguished students in the College. During his course of studies he laboured under many difficulties. On account of straitened circumstances, too common to theological students, and his physical debility, along with the seeds of a disease which at last carried him to his grave, his trials were peculiarly antagonistic to his ambitious aims, and noble aspirations. He stood in the first rank of literary attainments. After a keen competition, he won the Prince of Wales' Prize, and was gold medallist in Metaphysics and Ethics. He did not covet this distinction with the vain desire to outrun his compeers; but with a higher end, the attainment of those acquirements essential to the qualifications of a Gospel Minister. His was a sanctified ambition. He went one year to Scotland, and finished his theological course in the New Free Church College, Glasgow. After returning to this country he received a call to Gananoque, in which charge he was ordained in December, 1869. In this charge he laboured faithfully for about two years. His pulpit ministrations were of a high order. He shunned not to declare unto man all the counsel of God. His simple, yet pungent mode of delivering the message of salvation awakened inquiry in many hearts. His memory is esteemed by all, and some, we trust, are now rejoicing in the hope of the Gospel through his instrumentality. He was a faithful pastor, watching over souls under the conviction of his accountability to God. His heart's desire seemed to be the glory of Christ, and the salvation of men. He once told the writer of this, when speaking of his physical weakness, and the disease which was fast finishing his course, that through the grace of God he had devoted his life as a sacrifice unto Christ, and if it pleased the Divine Master, he was ready to become a victim to his cause, only one soul saved was greater gain than ten lives. After labouring faithfully as pastor for two years his health completely gave way. In consequence he resigned his charge. After gaining a little strength he tried the Muskoka Mission, under the conviction that the bracing climate of that region might prove beneficial. In this he was disappointed, for again he broke down. Returning to Gananoque, he lived for a few months at the house of his father-in-law, Thomas Waldie, a respectable Elder of the Church. Having gained a little strength, he determined, along with his wife, to take a voyage across the Atlantic, hoping that the sea, and the climate of his native land might prove a benefit. This was a mistake. After a few months sojourn in Scotland, he returned to Canada, and in a few days was seized with hemorrhage of the lungs, and after short but acute suffering, endured with humble submission to the will of God, he fell asleep in Jesus. Thus passed away after a short career one of the promising pastors of the Church,—a man of stern principles, a faithful uncompromising servant of Jesus Christ; a man of high and noble attainments, not only in scholarship, but in Christian holiness, fragrant to all who knew him. He had a triumphant departure from the Church on earth to the redeemed Church in glory. His hope was grounded, not on his past deeds and faithful service in the Church of Christ, but simply on the blood and righteousness of his Divine Saviour. His last moments were spent breathing out prayer to God, committing his sorrowing wife, and all around him to the Divine care. He yielded up his spirit to God, and passed away to a higher sphere in the Kingdom of glory.

May the grace of God sustain the widow, in her affliction, and give comfort to the wounded heart of a fond mother. By the sovereign will of our heavenly Father, the dearest ties on earth are broken; yet by sovereign