

amount; a payment out of the money voted by Parliament for education, and placed at the disposal of the Privy Council; and a farther supplemental payment by the Education Committee of the Church. If, for instance, a sum of £20,000 a-year could be obtained for our schools out of the Parliamentary grants for education, the Church ought to come forward with £10,000 a-year more. That, with the present legal allowances of our school masters, which the heritors of Scotland are universally willing to continue, would raise the income of each to between £50 and £60 a-year.

### The Late Dr. Logie, of Kirkwall.

In our obituary of Saturday we recorded the death of the Rev. Dr. Logie, of Kirkwall, minister of the first charge of Kirkwall and St. Ola, which melancholy event deserves more than a passing notice. Dr. Logie has been a minister of the Church of Scotland for upwards of forty-five years, and the Church never had a more faithful servant. He belonged to a rare and select class, which is now quickly passing away, possessing in a happy combination the most sterling and enviable qualities of head and heart. Fervent but unostentatious piety was in him adorned by an intellect clear and comprehensive; soundness of judgement which was never at fault; integrity incorruptible and beyond suspicion; a temper peculiarly sweet and gentle, a large amount of benevolence and charity, the dignified deportment of a Christian gentleman, with a classical purity of taste in composition, ripeness of scholarship and affectionate warmth of address and eloquence, which, coupled with his singleness of purpose, devotedness of aim, and unwearied labours of love in his Master's vineyard, gained for him the title, both from friends and strangers, of a "model of a parish minister." Throughout a long and active life he was enabled to a remarkable degree to exemplify the precept "Be ye wise as serpents and harmless as doves." Ordained as minister of Lady parish in Sanday in 1811, he spent fourteen years in that rural parish, blessed with domestic happiness, the love of his people, and abundant fruits of his faithful ministry. In 1821, when the first charge of Kirkwall became vacant, his high character, talents and usefulness pointed him out to both of the then competing patrons, the Crown and the Town Council, and to the people of Kirkwall, as the fittest man to fill that important charge; and he left the shores of Sanday, mingling his tears with those of his sorrowing people, and was settled in the same year. In that town and parish he has done the work of an Evangelist during the last thirty-two years, enjoying the respect and the confidence of all, and an unusual large share of those appropriate accompaniments of hoary hairs—"love, honour, obedience, and troops of friends." Strongly attached to the institutions of the country, and to the Church of Scotland, as, in his opinion, one of the most precious of them, he stood nobly in the breach at the lamentable era of 1843, and never gave any uncertain sound as to his unaltered love for the church, and his firm determination to adhere to her, though all should forsake her in that hour of defection and schism. There can be no doubt that his high character and influential position and incessant labours were greatly instrumental at that period of excitement in preventing the church in Orkney from sinking to the same extent as

it did in some other northern counties; and they have ever since been equally instrumental in building up the walls of Zion, which he greatly loved. A few years ago the University of Edinburgh, at which he studied, gave a graceful recognition of his worth and talents and valuable services by unanimously conferring upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity, an honour of which he knew nothing until the intelligence reached him that it had been bestowed. Dr. Logie's health began to fail him in May last, and, after recovering from a severe illness, his declining strength warned him that he could no longer hope to discharge all his duties with his wonted efficiency. His first anxiety was to procure a suitable assistant, and, after much conscientious and diligent inquiry, he had just succeeded in engaging the services of the Rev. George Anderson from Greenlaw, who was to have entered upon his duties on the 11th inst., when death gradually and peacefully called the aged pastor away; and on the 5th September the Synod of Orkney lost not only its venerable father but also its brightest ornament.

Few men ever possessed domestic and social affections of greater warmth and tenderness, and few at his time of life have ever had so many domestic cordials around the bed of death. Though the members of his numerous and deeply attached family are all grown up, and several of them settled in life with families of their own, yet they were all, with one exception around his dying bed, to receive his solemn blessing, and to witness his happy end. But the venerable subject of this notice had far more than human sympathy. Strong and unwavering was his faith in his Redeemer, on whom he had leaned, and with whom he had closely walked from his earliest youth. No doubt clouded his mind; no murmur escaped his lips. He frequently expressed a longing desire to depart and to be with Christ, which is far better, but was at the same time perfectly resigned to the will of his Father in Heaven, and at length, having, in answer to prayer, obtained perfect freedom from pain, with a mind conscious and self-possessed, and a countenance radiant with the dawn of everlasting day, he sweetly fell asleep in Jesus, with the word "love," so characteristic of his whole life, lingering on his lips. Such a life and such a death must be blessed, not only to the sorrowing family and congregation but to the whole district in which he lived and died. Truly blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works do follow them.—*Northern Ensign.*

NEW EDITION OF THE BIBLE.—Dr. Robert Lee, Professor of Biblical Antiquities in Edinburgh University, has added to the theological literature of the country a work which cannot fail to serve a great purpose and render itself generally acceptable. It is an elegant copy of the Bible, with a neat ample commentary, comprising the elucidations of the great lights of every denomination, condensed and rendered easy to the comprehension by Dr. Lee himself. He has also introduced a new method of disposing the references, not by placing them on the margin as hitherto, but by making them follow the verse, in a smaller type, which they mean to explain. The work has received—which is a sufficient guarantee of its excellence—the praise of clergymen of all denominations; and this fact alone, we should think, was enough to obtain for it a rank among the first works of the class to

which it belongs. The publishers are Messrs. Cowan & Co., of Edinburgh.—*North British Daily Mail.*

SELKIRK.—On Friday evening last a large meeting was addressed in the Parish Church of Selkirk, by the Rev. Dr. Cumming, on the Roman Controversy. On the motion of the Rev. John Thomson, assistant minister of Selkirk, Mr. Murray of Philiphaugh was called to the chair. After prayer by Mr. Thomson, Mr. John Hope, W. S., Hon. Secretary of the Scottish Protestant Association, explained the objects of the meeting, and mentioned the arrangements had been made for the formation of classes to teach Blakney's Protestant Catechism, and for the establishment of a book-depot, where parties might get cheap Protestant works, and also, that an academy had been formed at Selkirk, with Mr. Pringle of Whybank, as President, with Mr. Paton Selkirk, as Secretary. At the conclusion of the lecture, which was delivered in Dr. Cumming's style of eloquence, a vote of thanks to the Lect. Doctor was moved by Mr. David Pringle, Yair. A collection was made in aid of the funds of the Association, which, we are happy to learn, was very liberal.

THE REV. DR. CUMMING, of London, preached a most eloquent discourse on Sabbath forenoon to a crowded congregation in the West Parish Church, Greenock, on the importance of infant education, taking for his text the words, "Train up a child," &c. A collection was made in aid of the schools in connection with the church. The Dr. preached to an overflowing and highly gratified congregation in the West Parish Church (Rev. Dr. McCulloch's) in the afternoon.—*Edin. Post.*

THE REV. DR. CUMMING, IN THE WEST.—This eminent Divine has been lately delivering a series of lectures to large and respectable audiences in the principal towns on the West Coast. These addresses are intended to be in aid of the Scottish Protestant Association, and have hitherto been highly successful. We understand that the entire series will not be terminated for some weeks.

THE SABBATH QUESTION.—The prize of a hundred pounds, offered by the Evangelical Alliance for the best Essay on the Sabbath, has, we understand, been just awarded to the Rev. Micaiah Hill, now of Birmingham.

### CHURCH IN THE COLONIES

Synod of New Brunswick at St. Andrew's, Church, Chatham, 21st August, 1856.

The which day the Synod of New Brunswick, in connection with the Established Church of Scotland, met according to appointment. After sermon by the Rev. Dr. Brooke, Moderator, on the text Psal. cxviii. 6, "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem," the Synod was constituted and prayer.

The Clerk then produced the following Roll of all Ministers having charges within the bounds of the Synod, and of the Elders