

does not exaggerate the noble heroism of our departed Father." The vacancy in St. Andrew's Church caused by the retirement of Martin, was filled in the course of the same year, 1856, by the arrival of the Rev. George Boyd, from Scotland, who continued as pastor until 1865, when he returned to the old country. He is now—1875—the minister of Restorig church, in the parish of South Perth, near Edinburgh. St. Andrew's church, which had been in a weak state for some years became weaker. It was so heavily in debt that a meeting was called to obtain the necessary authority to sell the church property and dissolve the congregation. But wiser counsels prevailed and it was resolved not to abandon the ship. In the Autumn of 1866, for the first time, the congregation secured the services of a native minister, who proved eminently successful in infusing new life and energy into a sinking cause. This was the Rev. Charles Grant, B. D., a brother of the minister of St. Matthew's, who had just returned from Scotland, fresh from college and full of life and zeal. The debt was soon wiped off, the church was renovated and the enthusiasm of invigorated humanity began to animate the body. Before this however, was practically manifest, Mr. Grant had been seriously thinking of Foreign Missionary work and was in correspondence with Dr. Norman Macleod, just then returned from his visit to India, and reached the conclusion that it was his duty to go to the heathen. Accordingly in 1868 he offered himself to the Indian Committee of the Church of Scotland and was sent to Bengal. He spent two years in India, during which his lectures were attended by hundreds of educated English speaking natives. Early in 1871 his promising career was arrested by an attack of liver complaint, so severe that his life was despaired of and he was ordered home. Twelve months later he accepted a call from St. Mary's, Partick, and in less than two years raised the communion roll from a little over 300 to 900, got the