

or passage of Scripture with the change of his views and course, he wrote down:—"I have thought of some passages, such as 'Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.' I thought that it was very good of my Saviour to invite me to come to him, and that the least I could do was willingly to love him and accept of his invitation."

Such being the facts, the Church Session could have no hesitation in sustaining Mr. Lindsay's application for admission to the Church, and glad would they have been to have cordially passed to him the love symbols at the Lord's Supper Celebration, which took place soon after his application. But it pleased the Lord to visit him with such a prostration of bodily strength that attendance at the communion was prevented. The Session, under the special circumstances, considered it right to appoint a meeting in his house for prayer, for assembling such a number of Church Members and others as might constitute the "Church in the House," admit to membership, and administer baptism to the child. A goodly number assembled on the 18th day of March last, when Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay (who had also applied for Membership, had been conferred with, and who had signified her assent to the views contained in her husband's letter) were admitted to the Church, and their child baptized. It was considered by my friend, Mr. Smart, whose long and abundant labours in Canada are so well known, and myself, to be a very fitting occasion to ground, upon Mr. Lindsay's letter, appeals to the audience on the nature and scriptural principles bearing on the Sacraments and Membership of the Church of Christ, and the peculiarly affecting accompaniments made the meeting very solemn and impressive.

As in its first stages Mr. Lindsay's sickness did not seem as if it "would be unto death," being more of a debility and prostration of strength than any strongly marked dangerous disease, I indulged the pleasing hope that the Lord would spare him to be the most expressive of all the witnesses to the Church, by the epistle of the life: but, for all wise reasons, He has otherwise determined by taking him to Himself on the 23rd day of April.

Jane Hunter had, long before her marriage with him, acquired such facility of communicating with him by signs as to know and appreciate the loveliness of his character, and short as the union was (only of 18 months' duration), it was very happy, and there is good reason to hope that its happy results will be proved by her life in this world, and by its issues in the life to come. About 10 days before his death (the calm, peaceful nature of which vividly pictured "the falling asleep in Jesus") he called her to come near him, expressed himself warmly on the great happiness of their married life, of his desire for its continuance, and the additional motive for life afforded in their right training of their dear child. But, he added, that if the Lord saw death to be better, he desired to resign himself to the Lord's will.

But, James Lindsay, "though dead yet speaketh," his calm, quiet, unobtrusive life leaving behind it such lessons as these:—

1. How good it is for us, sometimes to turn aside from the noise and bustle of this restless world, from its stormy revolutions and mind confounding changes, to the more still, secret, peaceful operations of the divine wonder-worker upon the inward soul. Here, in this little quiet, unobtrusive history, we see that a work of God was silently, noiselessly going on in the soul of an individual, who by being denied from his birth certain powers, was shut out from the world's ambitions, strifes, excitements, and