

proved what was the prevailing sentiment,—the underlying principle,—which ever actuated him. The revealed verities of Christianity, the great eternities of Heaven and Hell were the controlling thoughts of his mind.

During his last illness, believe me, my friends, he was thoroughly absorbed with anxious thoughts concerning you. His Parish and its welfare were the topics of his conversation. See him when I would, miserable, weak and oppressed as he was, he talked with deep earnestness on your interests, and discussed with eagerness and intense anxiety your prospects when in the good Providence of God he should be called away. He appeared to utterly lose sight of self, and to be pre-occupied with care for you. How pleased, how more than simply pleased, you must now be, at having sent to him a few days ago that affectionate address of sympathy with which to cheer and comfort his closing course. It was wisely as it was lovingly done; not waiting to say what you thought and felt after death had closed his ears and shut his eyes, and stopped the pulses of his warm heart, so that he could know nothing of those strong emotions which impelled you to give them form. You must be gladdened to know that he was greatly gratified, and that though he did not, as he said, *need* your expression of feeling as a proof of your love, he hailed the warm loving words with sincerest delight.

At this time he was visibly sinking; loss of appetite, and long-continued painful fits of excessive coughing were day by day exhausting his remaining strength, insomuch that he was unable to see and converse with any of his friends outside of the circle immediately around him. As he grew weaker and drew nearer the confines of the world to come, he

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