

character and life of devoted service for the Lord made her greatly beloved as a daughter, a sister, a teacher and friend. Miss Ferrier, who knew them both says :—" In mental endowments, in Christian graces, and in winsomeness of character, your mother and this dearly loved sister were much alike. Privileged to know and love them both from my childhood, I can scarcely place too high an estimate upon their lovely characters, their useful and devoted lives, and their influence for good upon all who came in contact with them. Perhaps the highest praise I can possibly give them is to say, that in all the years I knew them, I was never in their company without hearing something of Christ, nor can I now recall a single word or act of theirs which could bring reproach upon their Master's Cause. "

In 1858 Mr. Ball resigned his charge at Woodstock, and worked for four years in the interests of the Bible Society work, for which he was eminently fitted and in which he was abundantly successful. During these years Mrs. Ball remained in Woodstock with her children and although, no longer "minister's wife", she in no way ceased her labors in behalf of the church. Dr. McMullen, who was chosen as minister of Knox Church, which position he still occupies, pays this tribute to her memory :

"Her position in the congregation, as the former minister's wife was, as might be anticipated, one of exceptional influence. Her large fund of information, her marked intellectual powers, her sound judgment, force of character, noble Christian spirit and kindly manner, won influence for her without those over whom it was exerted being conscious of any effort on her part. It was the influence of unaffected nobility and goodness. * * * *