

PREFACE.

The following sermon has been published in compliance with the request of a number of the citizens of Guelph, belonging to my own and other congregations. As it was preached from a mere outline, it is impossible to reproduce with verbal accuracy every sentence as it was uttered. The writer has, however, followed the same line of thought and illustration, and as far as possible used the same language in the written, as in the spoken discourse, adding two or three brief quotations in order to give a more full and detailed sketch of the life and character of the late lamented President. It has been hurriedly prepared under the pressure of numerous engagements, but the writer trusts that it will be received by his readers as a slight memorial of his ministry in this City, and as an additional incentive to high and holy endeavor.

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