

bring their full significance to bear on every-day life and duty. Bring Christ near as a *present Saviour*. 'Lo, I am with you always.' 'Wherever two or three are gathered,' &c. You are not explaining a history, but preaching a Saviour who lives in the gospels, and who pours the fulness of his redemption into them; a Saviour not seated on the throne of His glory in some far away, unknown place, surrounded by angels, but as the Shepherd still seeking the lost sheep in the wilderness, as compassionate and as loving as ever, and that the men of our day are as dear to Him as were any of those who were His cotemporaries. Hold up the same Jesus who took the little children in His arms, that talked with the woman at the well, that saw the sorrow of the poor widow; around whom the helpless and the despairing clung, the fountain of whose feelings often overflowed. Preach Jesus as Saviour, Physician, Shepherd, Guide, Friend, and Brother, and give the people such a conception of Him as shall draw them. *Read the heart*, and teach the actual condition of your hearers. Bring the truth to bear on man's daily burdens, as the sunlight on the cold ground, and seek to open their life Godward that they may be filled with His love and power. In all your preaching, produce the impression that God is at hand, and still rules the world, and has a direct personal relation to every event, and that His hand is still laid on the head of His people. Show them that the heart of Jesus is as near His Church now as ever, and that His spirit still works on the hearts of men, and that the subject of all our praise is not merely a history, but a revelation of the living God, who is the same yesterday, to-day and forever, and never preach as if God had left the affairs of man to Himself, and is no longer an agent on the earth."

Mr. Thompson was married, November 13, 1872, to Mary Mackenzie, only child of the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, late Premier of Canada. The fruit of this union is two children, but one of whom is now living.

JOHN BUTTERFIELD,

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JOHN BUTTERFIELD, barrister, editor and proprietor of the *Weekly News*, and warden of the united counties of Prescott and Russell, is a native of Glengarry, this Province, being born in the township of Lancaster, May 4, 1844. His parents were Richard Butterfield, a school teacher, from England, who died on Good Friday, 1853, and Elizabeth, *née* Tracy, of Irish descent, she dying in 1867, leaving eight children. Two others had preceded her to the spirit-world, and one daughter has since joined her. Our subject was the eighth child. He was educated at the public schools of Lancaster and the high school at Vankleek Hill. He studied law in the office of Messrs. Cameron and Scott, Toronto, entering that office in 1862; was admitted to practise in Hilary term, 1868, having finished his law studies at L'Orignal, where he settled in 1864; and was called to the Bar in Easter term, 1875. He was appointed Master in chancery in June, 1869, and held that office until he resigned, in 1875, to enable him to practise in that court. The legal business of Mr. Butterfield extends to all the courts of the Province, and to the Supreme Court of the Dominion, and his reputation as a lawyer, like his business, has a steady increase. He is comparatively young in the profession; possesses studious habits, and is ambitious enough to apply himself closer to his studies, and will be likely to grow and distinguish himself as a lawyer.

In August, 1876, Mr. Butterfield bought the office of the *News*, which he is editing with