

GEORGE MULLER.

Almost anything concerning this remarkable man is of interest to Christians. His fame is world wide; and the influence of his teachings and his faith has been felt around the earth. In a recent address he stated the following interesting facts. He has been fifty-four years in the Gospel ministry and nearly fifty-one years in pastoral work, including almost forty-eight years that he has been pastor of the same church in Bristol—a church of 1,100 members and the largest in that city. He has travelled within the last six years, through eleven countries, preaching as an evangelist, and has been in America for several months laboring chiefly among the Germans. His life has been a busy one, not only in looking after his large parish of 1,100 communicants, but also after his orphanages and Bible colleges and missionary enterprises, which require the constant employment of nine assistants to attend to his correspondence. He receives 30,000 letters annually in three languages, and about 8000 more in other languages. In the early years of his ministry he wrote out his finished sermons and then committed them to memory so as to avoid reading them. But under these efforts the people would often go to sleep, as they do now under well-prepared theological essays. He was forced by circumstances on one occasion into an exposition of a portion of Scripture, and, noticing its good effect upon the congregation, he has adopted that method ever since. When he wants a text he prays for it and reads for it until it is impressed upon his mind. Then he meditates over it, and on his knees he has learned more of theology and biblical interpretation than he ever learned in the university. He studies in the original Bible tongues, occasionally using a commentary or encyclopedia. He, however, finds the Bible its own best expositor. He urged his brethren to preach Christ, not philosophy, history, politics and science. If two or more texts or subjects impress themselves on his mind he takes that one which makes the deepest impression and lays over the other for subsequent consideration. He advised the preachers not to neglect their own souls' welfare because their time is so much taken up with parishioners, told them plainly that they must look out for answers to prayer if they wanted their prayers answered, and besought them to cultivate a lowly mind. Ministers, he said, are tempted to walk carelessly and loosely, and in conformity with the world.

JOHN KNOX'S DEATH-BED.

Step into this room where the greatest Scotsman lies dying. From the iron grasp of kings and princes Knox had wrung the rights of Scotland. Ready to contend even unto death, he had bearded proud nobles and prouder churchmen; he had stood under the fire of battle; he had been chained to the galley's oar; he had occupied the pulpit with a carbine leveled at his fearless head; and to plant God's truth, and that tree of civil and religious liberty which has struck its roots so deep in our