

bers of this Court, and our people generally, to a great increase of zeal and effort in the Lord's work.

"And this Synod would now, as on some former occasions, reiterate the expression of their hope that the time may not be far distant when Churches so thoroughly *one* in doctrine, discipline, and evangelistic zeal and pursuit, as the Canada Church and the Church of the Lower Provinces evidently are, will be altogether one in counsel and in government.

"This resolution, thus unanimously adopted, was communicated to the Deputy in a suitable address from the chair.

"Extracted from the Minutes of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces.

P. GORDON MACGREGOR,
Synod Clerk."

The Synod having thus opened the way for action on the question of Union, it may be proper for us to take it up, and appoint a Committee at our first meeting of the General Assembly, to confer with any Committee the Synod of the Lower Provinces may appoint. It would at least be two years before we could bring such negotiations to an issue, and by that time there will be way and access from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick to Quebec and Ontario, either by the Intercolonial or the Western extension Railways. Whether or not we entertain this matter, we must all continue to feel that no two Churches in the world are so thoroughly identical as are the Canada Presbyterian Church and the Church of the Lower Provinces, or should entertain for each other a more sincere affection.

A. F. K.

THE LATE MR. JOHN SANDERSON,

ELDER OF NAIRN CHURCH, WEST FLAMBOROUGH, WHO FELL ASLEEP IN
JESUS, APRIL 1, 1869, IN HIS 95TH YEAR.

He was born at Galashiels, in Scotland. When a child he and his little brother locked arms and rolled down the brae of Gala-Water, but the impetus was so great, that they rolled into the water just above the great moving mill-wheel. They were, however, most mercifully saved, snatched by a providential hand from yawning death, at the last moment. Apprenticed to a carpenter at the age of fifteen, the minister admiring his aptitude, and his genial love of books, taught him in many branches closely connected with his business—especially arithmetic; so that at the close of his indenture, he was expert in plans and estimates. He was a most willing learner, and a most earnest and conscientious worker.

In 1800 he went to "Conhead." In 1804 he married Elizabeth French, and resided in Moffat. In 1834 he came to Canada. His voyage was a remembered delight as affording him ample scope and time for reading good books. After employment for some time with the late Mr. Crooks, of Crooks' Hollow, Mr. S. came to West Flamborough, and there was in his abode truly the "church in the house," for thither came lovers of the Lord Jesus of every name to hear the Word, and pray, and sing praise together before there were any ministers to preach to them. From the nucleus in the house grew the meeting in the school-house, and that again expanded into a congregation at Nairn, a village founded by the late Mr. Fraser, on the 8th concession. But before the congregation was organized, (which took place in 1847,) Mr. Sanderson, with others of like mind, undertook to build a church. The people being very few in number, and Mr. Fraser, who not only gave the ground for the church, but was also an earnest helper of the cause, unexpectedly died. The building of the church