

the religious education of the young. Annie was the second girl of the family, and was trained from childhood in the paths of virtue and religion. She was a lovely child—interesting in person—and was invested with the charm of beauty. Her parents belonged to the west parish church of Aberdeen, and, therefore, she had not only pious home training, but also the pastoral oversight and instruction of that able and godly minister, Dr. Davidson. By these means her mind was directed from infancy in the way of truth and peace. So early and continuous was the gracious influence of the Holy Spirit upon her heart, that she could not recall the time when she was not under the power of Christian truth. She was an example of the fulfilment of the promise, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it." Her filial obedience and love formed a distinguishing feature of her early piety, and she reaped its reward in the lengthening of her days, and in the love which her children bore her in return. The first stages of her childhood were not marked by any striking incidents; but she grew as a tree planted by the river of water; and prospered in all that makes life truly noble, useful, and happy. When she was about 18 years of age, she came to New Brunswick, in company with a friend of the family, Mr. Simpson, from Elgin, who had settled in Miramichi some years previous, and he happened at that time to be visiting his native land, and induced her, and some of her mother's friends, who subsequently settled in Halifax, to accompany him on his return to this country.

In the year 1844 she was united in marriage to Mr. William Muirhead, of Chatham, who has for many years been one of the largest ship owners of New Brunswick. The year of Confederation he was ap-