

longs to the Son of Man alone to pronounce ; but it is our part to notice what is worthy of our imitation in him who is fallen on sleep, and to point out the instructive lessons which this sad event is calculated to suggest.

1st. Then, we observe that in his life he set an example of serving his generation in many respects. Providence blessed his temporal enterprises, and thus enabled him to furnish the means of support to many families. By the blessing of God upon steady industry and persevering attention to business, he was enabled for a long period of time to furnish employment to a great number ; and I believe it will be admitted by all who have been in his employment, that, as a master, justice, integrity and uniform kindness have ever marked his conduct.

And as he prospered himself, so he was delighted to see others prospering also. Wherever he found any who were anxious to do well, he was always willing to encourage them, and even to stretch out to them a helping hand.

The kindliness of his disposition inclined him always to sympathise with others in their misfortunes, and his sympathy was manifested in the most delicate manner. Many have received tokens of his kindly feeling, of which none ever knew but the person who received them ; for he was one of those "who do good by stealth, and blush to find it fame." He ne-