

the deepest interest; and it may be asserted, that when his health and capabilities were at their best, for about 20 years, he was not only among the leading laymen of the body, but the most active elder in the service of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia.

—*Communicated.*

MISS JEAN ARMOUR, a native of Kilmarnock, Scotland, and for three & fifty years a resident of Montreal, died on the first of August, at the advanced age of ninety years. Miss Armour, on her arrival in Montreal, joined the St. Gabriel Church under the pastoral charge of the Rev. Mr. Eason. When this congregation was divided, she united herself with St. Paul's church, under Dr. Edward Black, and of this church she remained a member until her death. Our Church in this country has had many excellent and devoted members. It may be doubted whether among them all, we have had a more earnest consistent member within the entire Presbyterian communion, than Miss Armour. Certainly, as was well stated at her funeral by Dr. Jenkins, she has left behind her no one member of the Church who could be said to excel her in generous & loving devotion to the cause of Scottish Presbyterianism in this land. As she lived, she died; a firm, and peace-giving trust in Christ characterized her life, and was her joy and the joy of her friends in her last moments.

English papers announce the death of the Hon. John Robertson, for many years a prominent citizen of Saint John, N.B., and a leading member of St. Andrew's Congregation there. He was a warm advocate of Presbyterian Union, and a liberal supporter of the Church. He amassed a large fortune. His death, resulting from gastric fever, was sudden, but he had reached the patriarchal age of 77.

BEQUESTS.

To Knox College.—The Rev. Dr. Reid has received from R. Nicholls, Esq., Peterboro', Executor, the sum of forty thousand dollars. It will be remembered that Mr. Hall intended to leave a large amount to Knox College, as also to the Montreal College, and to other objects connected with the Church; but died before his will was executed. The heirs-at-law, however, generously agreed to give the above sum to Knox College, and liberal amounts to the other objects specified

by Mr. Hall. To the heirs-at-law, and to Mr. Nicholls, through whom the arrangements have been made, our warmest thanks are due. The amount has been paid over in the following way:—

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| Debentures..... | \$36,549 37 |
| Cash..... | 3,450 63 |
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To Queen's College.—The late Mr. John Watkins, of Kingston, was a munificent giver,—contributing liberally to all the religious and benevolent institutions in the city of his habitation. The Kingston News enumerates thirteen different objects towards which Mr. Watkins bequeathed in the aggregate \$31,500. Amongst these we find a legacy to Queen's College, of \$4,000, and a further sum of \$1,300, to perpetuate a Scholarship, instituted by him some years ago for pupils from the Collegiate Institute. The General Hospital, Kingston, falls heir to one-fourth of the residue of his real estate.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSONS—SEPTEMBER.

3rd. INTemperance.—Proverbs 23, 29-35. Golden Text: Eph. 5, 18.

10th. THE EXCELLENT WOMAN.—Prov. 31, 10-31. Golden Text: Acts 9, 36.

17th. A GODLY LIFE.—Eccles. 12, 1-14. Golden Text: 1 Tim. 4, 8.

24th. REVIEW; or, A LESSON SELECTED BY THE SCHOOL. Golden Text: Prov. 4, 23.

In reply to several letters we have received on the subject, we beg to say that we have it in contemplation to furnish a brief exposition of the International S. School Lessons from month to month, commencing with October.

A DISORDERLY SCHOOL.

Let it be understood at the outset, that a disorderly Sabbath School is practically no Sabbath School at all. A superintendent ought not to begin his school, or go on with his school, until he has order. First, there must be quiet. He cannot have quiet by ringing his bell, by calling for order, by