

ized scholar's lot, his opportunities for self-culture and study must have often been very limited, but they were so carefully husbanded, and so diligently improved, that he kept abreast at least of his more favoured fellow-students in the race for distinction. But besides that degree of intellectual advancement which must be reached by one who has completed a course of academical training, and graduated with honor at a Scottish University, he had pushed forward his studies and researches into other fields of human knowledge and investigation. He was deeply versed in theology, natural and systematic; and very fully and accurately informed in the controversial department of the latter. Often have we admired the ready clearness, force and brevity with which he would state the salient points in one or other of the greater or even the lesser controversies which have agitated the Church in remote or more recent times. We could dwell with a pleasing satisfaction much longer on this subject—on the whole candour and simplicity, the generous unselfishness, the unaffected modesty and humility, the habitual cheerfulness and perfect contentment with his lot which were some of the more marked features in his moral portraiture; but we must for the present bring our remarks to a close. And we know that we only utter what many, very many, feel in these and in other parts, that, to our latest hour, we will cherish and revere the memory of this amiable, highly accomplished and useful man—this diligent and faithful labourer in the "Lord's Vineyard," who, after the heat and burdens of a well spent day, has retired, in a manner so becoming and so exemplary to his nights repose.

The following is the portion of Mr. Ogg's funeral sermon which bears particularly on the character of the deceased. The text was taken from Luke, vii: 13, and the illustrations and arguments of the preacher were directed to show "how many strong and urgent reasons we have for moderating our grief on the death of a good man, whose devotion to Christ and life regulated by Christian principles attain, and convince us that he shall attain, not a temporal and transient resurrection merely, like the young man in the Gospel, but an eternal and glorious resurrection; such as at the end of time shall be the portion of the friends and elect people of God." After dwelling at considerable length upon the confidence of the righteous man at the approach of death, and on the blessed assistances which he receives from God at the moment of death, as motives for controlling our grief at the removal by death of a good man; the preacher continued thus:

"The considerations and truths which I have laid before you, now find their full justification in the death of that amiable and well-beloved pastor, whose removal we so

deeply deplore. What confidence at the approach of death! confidence, brethren, but without parade, or the slightest appearance of exaltation. At that anxious time when relatives and friends stood around his dying bed, he declared, with that simple calmness, and that accent of truth which so remarkably distinguished him, that he believed the things which he had so long inculcated and taught from this pulpit, and that in them he found all his comfort and consolation. With that humility which never left him, he earnestly repeated, "I have finished my course;" and we should find it hard to lay our hand upon one, concerning whom we would more confidently add, that "he had kept the faith."

With difficulty we control our feelings as we inscribe upon the long lists of the dead, the name of a dear friend and a learned and beloved pastor; yesterday one of the pillars of our church in this land, but taken away from our affection, with faculties yet quite unimpaired, and active powers which three-score years did not appear to have diminished. How long shall we remember that visage which beamed with amiability and intelligence; and that slow and distinct voice to which strength of principle, profound religious conviction and real benevolence, imparted an incomparable power of persuasion. Our church in this land has sustained a severe loss; we testify it by our sorrow. To the cause of the gospel in this Province, he gave 24 years of his life; and, without doubt, he was one of our most learned pastors, as well as one of our churches wisest counsellors.

How many beyond the pale of our communion bewail in him a respected and beloved friend. And how many here lament him as the sower who first deposited in their heart, the germs or seeds, of eternal life.

Should I attempt to say what he was, I should describe a man who possessed an admirable facility for acquiring and retaining knowledge; who wielded over every noble and docile soul, an empire which his humility and real worth, ever more and more enlarged and strengthened; who employed his talents and that mild self-possession, which always distinguished him, in a most effective and successful way, for the promotion of the cause of Christ and the gospel. I should speak of a scribe mighty in the scriptures, and well instructed in this kingdom of God; a theologian of the school of Calvin; orthodox, yet liberal; a preacher whose discourses always exhibited the plan of salvation, and held forth as in a clear mirror the image of Jesus Christ. I should refer to that heart, tender and manly, yet which was easily wounded, like all delicate and reserved natures.

I know that his death is to all of us a divine appeal; that his memory raises us towards those things which are above, and that his example counsels the entire devotion of ourselves and our convictions to Jesus Christ. The character of the men we mourn may be