

was always 'Brother Joe.' I do not know who it was who changed it to 'Uncle Joe.'" Another friend, Miss E. Bowes, writes: "How he got this title we do not know, unless, because of his sympathetic character, he could be better recognized in this way as one who had a very large family relationship, being connected with hundreds, or thousands, of families. This was at a time when every good uncle tried to help to ease the care that rested heavily on every household. I think it was because of his kindly disposition that he was called 'Uncle Joe.'"

Still it matters little how he came by the expressive, homely name. It is enough to say that it was exceedingly appropriate, that he wore it well, for his life showed him to be kin to all the world. It was with him as with his Divine Master, the poor and the destitute had the greater claim upon his sympathetic heart, and their very extremity made it the more certain that their claims would be acknowledged.

We think that no apology is necessary in sending forth a tribute to the memory of this honored servant of God, this "Israelite," or Christian, "indeed, in whom there was no guile," especially when, from the pens of faithful co-laborers, some of whom have entered upon their reward, we have such sentences as these:

"I often thought and said that I wished some person had gathered up the anecdotes and facts of his life as that life was seen and felt in that new country. It was one of the most romantic, devoted, self-sacrificing, benevolent Christian lives I ever knew." (Rev. John Webster.)