

pervading principle by which he sought to regulate his life. Hence his religious character was not of that demonstrative kind which appeals to the public eye and seeks to attract the notice of others—as a thing superadded to other accomplishments. It was rather of that eminently practical sort which quietly and unostentatiously influenced his course of conduct, and enabled him to give to it's claims the response of an upright, exemplary, Christian life. He had been the subject of early religious impressions, which grew with his growth and strengthened with his strength into the confirmed habit of a life regulated by the precepts and hopes of the gospel. In early life he made a narrow escape from a watery grave. On one occasion when travelling with him, long after, in that quarter, he himself pointed out to me the place where he was made the sole survivor of a numerous company who were overtaken by a storm on Lake Ontario, when the vessel was wrecked and all his companions were drowned—he alone succeeding, with much difficulty, in reaching the shore. He was then preserved, in the good Providence of God, for a life of activity and usefulness to his fellowmen, and that he might present the life of a humble Christian example in the sphere in which he