

tinued to take a lively interest in the Church in Nova Scotia, and contributed to such of the Schemes as were brought before his notice. He never refused a contribution in aid of the Sunday School, and when appealed to on behalf of the Dalhousie College Endowment Fund, he at once responded by ordering £200 to be paid to the Treasurer.

Of the particulars of his last illness we have not been informed. Wealth cannot bribe death away. Scarcely had we heard that he had been sick when we were told that he was dead. He has left behind, in Britain or America, few merchants who can claim to be superior or even equal to what he was.

Spurgeon.

An Edinburgh correspondent, who had been hearing Mr. Spurgeon, writes us as follows:—

"The brilliant words which flow from his elegant lips, are not only listened to with delight, and produce a telling effect upon the eager multitudes that crowd his tabernacle, but enthrall the attention of his readers, in all parts of the globe. His sermons contain excellent Christian lessons, served up in a clear, copious, spirited style, ever energetic, sometimes really delightful. The originality displayed in them is striking. His fund of allusions and anecdotes is never exhausted; and these are rarely repeated. We wonder at this, considering the thousands which emanate from his mind. But here lies his great talent.

On Sunday last I heard Mr. Spurgeon. He preached in the morning in Dr. Candlish's Church, and in the evening in Dr. Thomson's. I need scarcely say that the buildings were crowded almost to suffocation, though admission was only by ticket. He was speaking of the remissness of superiors in the Church, with regard to the safety of their own souls. Raising his hand and his voice, he said in a loud shrill tone: "Plee on the wings of Fancy to the bottomless pit. There, above the burning lake, amid hisses, and groans, and hellfire, let us mark some of the entering damned. Who is this? "The Rev. Mr. ———; Ha! ha!" a lost spirit demonically ejaculates. "It was *you* that I heard preach in Edinburgh! It was *you* that sate beside my death-bed and prayed—O such a hollow prayer! *You* sought to *save me*, and *you* also are damned! Ha! ha!" Who is this? "An elder of ——— Church. Ha! ha! *You* have come here, have you? *You* that used to visit me in Great George Street! *You* that brought texts and spoke religion to me! *You* that sate at God's table! Ha! ha! ha!" And the fiends of Hell rejoice at their coming. But from such a j-y. O good God, preserve *you*. O Officers of the Church, I beseech you to look after the safety of your own souls first. If you are not already re-

conciled to God, let not a day, an hour, no, nor a minute elapse, ere you have made your peace with Him, lest seeking to save others, you yourselves be the castaway."

Appeal,

FOR AID IN ERECTING A CHURCH AT THE STRAIT OF CANSO:

THE Presbyterians in connection with the Church of Scotland at the Strait of Canso, being without a place of worship, appeal to the friends of the Church for aid in building a Church there. The Church is intended to be open to all other religious bodies, when not used by our own people. Some Methodists, Baptists, and others have already rendered liberal aid. The circumstances of the people have called forth sympathy from those who know them best, and they have already exerted themselves beyond their ability. I shall personally solicit aid in some of the congregations during the month of September, and now express my hope that our friends will aid us in that truly Christian work. The various sums received will be acknowledged in the pages of the *Record*.

NEIL BROMIE.

THE CHURCH IN NOVA SCOTIA.

The Presbytery of Pictou.

At a meeting of the Pictou Presbytery, held in St. Andrew's Church, New Glasgow, on the 2nd July, by leave of Synod, *inter alia*, it was unanimously agreed to, that a deputation, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. McGregor and Stewart, be sent to the Island of Cape Breton during the month of August, to assist in dispensing the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, their visit to extend to three weeks. The pulpits of the members of the deputation to be supplied as follows, viz.:—
Aug. 12.—West Branch, E. R.: Rev. Mr. Herdman.

Aug. 19.—East Branch, E. R.: Rev. Mr. McMillan.

Aug. 12.—McLennan's Mountain: Rev. Mr. McDonald.

Aug. 19.—McLennan's Mountain: ———

The Rev. Mr. McDonald asked and obtained leave of absence from missionary duties for four weeks.

The Rev. Mr. McMillan, Earltown, was appointed to preach at Georgetown, Black River, in August, timely notice to be given to the parties concerned.

W. McMILLAN, *Pres. Clerk*.

(From the Colonial Standard of 10th July.)

Laying the Corner Stone of St. Andrew's Church.

THE corner-stone of St. Andrew's Church, in this town, was laid on Tuesday last. The