

to contribute largely to the promotion of his cause and glory in the earth. He took a great interest in having suitable buildings erected for the accommodation of the congregation and minister. The poor can give testimony to his charity and kindness of disposition in dispensing the common necessities of life. He was proverbially hospitable. It appeared as if he could never do enough for ministers and missionaries. His prayers and means were faithfully contributed for their welfare.

He was sick unto death, as was generally supposed, and believed by himself, seven years ago. An operation was performed by his medical attendants which was the means of leading him back from the gates of death, and his spared life was ever afterwards referred to by him as a modern miracle. This sickness incapacitated him from physical labor, but gave him all the more time to be present at the prayer-meetings and religious gatherings, which contributed much to his spiritual improvement and comfort. His presence at those meetings was always looked for by the minister and people; his words of encouragement and cheer were well received, and they now feel a sad blank in not being privileged to meet or converse with him any more on earth. About a month before his death his old malady gave signs of alarm. When his medical adviser had done all that could be done by man to save his life, signified that he could do no more for him, he was by no means cast down. He was prepared for such a joyful message, that he must depart and be with Christ. He spoke often in his illness of the foundation of his hope, and of the unswerving confidence he had in the Lord his Saviour. He repeated again and again as the ground of his assurance, the finished work of Christ and his intercessory prayer, "Father I will that they whom thou has given me, &c., with me, &c." He repeatedly asked the 17th of John to be read, and dwelt with marked emphasis on the above passage of that chapter. His own family he exhorted to be kind to each other, and faithful to their God. He gave orders as to the proper conducting of family worship after his decease. With the neighbors who called to see him he left many lessons of wisdom. Upon parents he pressed the duty of training their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. The young he exhorted to make the good choice that would not be taken from them. To all he left words of encouragement, admonition, and warning. The tears that suffused the weeping eyes of the sympathizing visitors, told how much they valued their faithful dying friend. His pains were at times very trying, still they were borne with fortitude and patience. His mind was unclouded, his conversational

powers unrelaxed, and his soul peaceful and happy to the last.

At the hour which was his wont to prepare for attendance on the ordinances of God's appointment in the courts below, in which he took so much pleasure, he quietly passed away to engage in the better and enduring services of his Lord and Saviour in the Sanctuary above. The estimation in which he was held in the community was manifest in the heartfelt expression of sympathy and sorrow in his sickness and death, and by the numbers that followed his remains to its last resting place. We have endeavoured to give a sketch of this good man's life and death to stimulate the living to follow his example as far as he followed Christ. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace."

P.S.—As a matter of antiquarian interest to the friends in the eastern part of the Province, it may be stated, that the deceased, we understand, was the first that drove a wheeled-carriage between the East River of St. Mary's and the Garden of Eden, on his way to the celebration of the sacrament of the Supper at the Blue Mountain.

Death of Rev. John Campbell.

Our church has sustained, during the past month, and the congregation of Sherbrooke more especially, a severe loss, in the removal by death of Mr. Campbell of St. Mary's, who died on the 4th of September.

The Brother whose departure from among us is here recorded, had become one of the fathers in the Synod, having completed 34 years of Pastoral work, and occupied his place in Synod since 1839. His pastorate, while thus extended, was for many years exceedingly arduous. The people of his charge were dispersed from Western Caledonia to Sherbrooke, and even to the mouth of St. Mary's River, a distance of over 30 miles, and from Glenelg to the head of East River of St. Mary's, some 12 miles, in another direction. The roads, at the date of his settlement, were scarcely passable for wheeled carriages, and his journeys for years were all performed on the saddle. For 24 years he spread his labours over this extensive region, and with characteristic ardour and determination, performed faithfully all the duties of a devoted minister of Christ. For the last ten years his labours were greatly diminished, being confined to Sherbrooke and neighbourhood.

His pastorate was successful, his people being united, and attached to him during his whole course; and many evidences being visible, that God had blessed his ministry to the salvation of many souls.