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Here, then, ends the writer's attempt to portray the life and character of this 'good and faithful servant.' And however far the portraiture may fall short of his ideal, the writer may claim for it one thing which imparts to it intrinsic value, and that is, the two papers from the pen of Dr. Scarth himself setting before us his own view of what he had done in his life, as a Priest of the Church, in a Church Parish for nearly half a century. These papers are printed exactly as they were written; and in them Canon Scarth opens up his heart to his brethren with little if any reserve.

On the day of the dear Canon's decease, the writer received among many expressions of sympathy, a truly remarkable letter from one well able to judge, describing the effect of Dr. Scarth's reverent voice and manner in conducting Divine Service—"There was no theatrical manner, or over emphasis,—but a recognition of God's presence that overcame all else." Proceeding to speak of the Canon's Sermons, the writer of this beautiful letter says,—“in his sermons also all was indeed quiet and simple; but there was a pathos and a piety that made themselves felt; and all the worship was made and seen to centre in the weekly Holy Communion, of which nearly the whole congregation were partakers.”

To revert for a moment to his sermons,—they certainly were quiet and simple as could be; but at the same time, his calm and confident exhortations to the upholding of the Faith and the practice of the Gospel precepts in every day life were to us most convincing. It was in this way, as it seems to us, that Dr. Scarth's preaching had its evident influence.”