

standing extreme weakness he joined in the prayers, repeating the *Amen* with great fervour and distinctness after each. He also followed, with evident comfort and pleasure, the 23rd and 27th psalms, and other suitable portions of scripture which were read to him; repeating over and over again: "In the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength." "Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."

On Sunday morning (22nd) he revived for a short while, and after taking a little nourishment he was once more able to take in the texts which were repeated to him, and again seemed to derive great comfort and support from the assurances thereby conveyed. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the Crown of life." "My flesh and my heart faileth, but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever." These and other passages he could be heard faintly whispering to himself as they were repeated to him. He also said, "I die in the fear of God," and on being asked by his son "and in His love too?" he replied, "yes." The name of the Comforter was plainly audible as he endeavoured to repeat one of our Lord's sayings from St. John xiv, the first two verses of which chapter he repeated several times.

This was the last effort he was able to make. He shortly afterwards fell into a state of unconsciousness, in which he remained till he breathed his last, in complete calmness and peace, a few minutes before two o'clock in the afternoon of the feast of the Annunciation. He was buried on the following Saturday, the funeral being attended by the Bishop of Quebec and ten clergymen from the St. Francis district and Quebec, in their surplices. He was borne to the grave by eight of his parishioners, all grey-headed and venerable looking men. The Bishop, and the Rev. Dr. Nicolls, C. P. Reid, and H. Roe took part in the service, and hymns 169, 117 and 142 (pt. 1) from "Hymns Ancient and Modern," were sung. The church had been fully draped in black by the hands of the parishioners.

Thus has passed away one of the old school, and he has not left his like behind. His character was distinguished by a hearty earnestness, and thorough sincerity. No man was ever more truly genuine. He was blest with the gift of a cheerful heart, which made him a most engaging as well as instructive companion; and all these qualities imparted to his letters, as well as to his conversation, very unusual interest. "E'en his failings leaned to virtue's side," and his own rectitude of purpose and single-mindedness, made him, perhaps, with regard to worldly business, sometimes too unworldly in his transactions with others. But his friends would not wish him to have been, in this point, other than he was. It may be said of him as of the late Bishop of Quebec: "Among his friends he loved to unbend, and he made all around him delighted with his playful

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