

On Easter morning, 13th ult., Rev. Dr. Cuyler preached once more in the pulpit he filled so long and well—Lafayette Avenue Church, Brooklyn, N. Y. It was forty years, to a day, from the time he had preached his first sermon there. Who can measure the good of these years? For long it was his custom, when his Sabbath themes were still seething in his mind, to condense one or other of them into a short, pithy article, bearing on the great themes of life and destiny. These were always intensely earnest, pointed, practical. They were widely copied. The Record in past years used them freely. His work along this line, both in quality and quantity, is perhaps unequalled by any other that ever lived. Who can measure the uplift to the world in these forty years? Two great lessons his life and works teach:

1. The power of the Gospel. His ministry circled round the Cross. In Christ as the sinner's substitute, and salvation by faith in him, and regeneration by the power of that spirit, Dr. Cuyler found teaching for the times, and for all time. Well would it be for the church and the world if all religious teachers would do likewise. The only theme that will give to their ministry power and permanence is Christ and Him crucified.

2. A second lesson that it teaches is the power of a life devoted with single aim to a worthy end. Our lives may not exert so wide an influence, but every man can fill as faithfully the place God has given him to fill, and so doing win the "well done, good and faithful."

"So broad that they are narrow,"—is a class of churchmen of whom the "Cumberland Presbyterian," U.S.A., speaks under the above title. It gives illustrations—e. g. Presbyterian Sunday Schools, which, out of deference to three or four members of other denominations, who may happen to belong to it, will not use the S. S. literature of their own Church, even though the others may express a preference for it; men who give as little to their own Church as to others on the ground that it displays unselfishness, forgetting that one's first duty is to his own fireside, domestic or ecclesiastical; who take other church papers to the neglect of their own; who talk long and loud in inter-

denominational conventions, but who are worth little to their own denomination, local or at large; who get too good to be loyal to their own denomination; and on the ground that denominationalism and spirituality do not agree, practically give up their Church, and in the "band" or "meeting" or "alliance" made up of the few—very few—like-minded, they live their narrow, Pharisaic, comparatively useless lives. Are any such men to be found in Canada?

"Come over and help us," echoes from the North-West. After all the efforts of the Home Mission Committee to get men for the summer, a dozen are still needed to supply the vacant stations. The West, as does the East, needs not only men, but MEN "who will go for us," is the earnest appeal of Dr. Robertson.

The Assembly's Sabbath School Committee at its recent meeting expressed its high appreciation of the excellence of the contents and workmanship of the Sabbath School Helps and papers for the young issued by our own Church, and its gratification at the success with which they are meeting. Rev. R. D. Fraser, Toronto, editor and manager, will be glad to send samples free to any who wish them.

The Home Mission Committee, West, at its recent meeting found itself with a shortage of \$14,000. The question was, should the grants be reduced or an appeal be made to the Church for a special donation sometime during April. It was decided to pay the grants as the only course worthy of the Church. May the appeal of the Committee not be in vain. If the special offering has not been made when these lines are read, it will gladly be received even then.

Rev. J. F. Dustan, of Nova Scotia, who exchanged for some months with Rev. Dr. Whittier, of Port of Spain, Trinidad, and afterwards visited and helped in our mission stations in Trinidad and Demarara, writes to the "Presbyterian Witness" in a very strong and earnest way of the work that our missionaries are doing, its extent, its character, its results. No words of praise and thankfulness are too strong to express his appreciation of the men and their varied ministry there.