

interest of this venerable patriarch in all things pertaining to the work of the Lord. Farewell, father Robertson! "At evening time it was light," and that light shall never be quenched in darkness!

MR. DONALD KENNEDY.

On the forenoon of the 7th September, the evening of which closed upon the dying form of Mr. Robertson in Sherbrooke, at Indian Lands Glengary, sweetly fell asleep in Jesus another father, Mr. Donald Kennedy, a deacon of the Congregational Church in that place, aged 79 years. Born in Perthshire, Scotland, 15th June, 1782, he came into contact in his 18th year with the movement already described, and being brought to Jesus in the exercise of repentance and faith, he decided to unite with one of the earliest Congregational Churches—that of Dunkeld, then under the pastoral charge of Rev. Mr. Campbell. The immediate instrument whom the Lord employed to bring young Kennedy to a sense of his personal guilt and to the reception of Jesus Christ as a Saviour, was Rev. Mr. Farquharson, of Breadalbane, in Perthshire. But there is one "which walketh about seeking whom he may devour," an enemy who made a formidable attack on the young convert while on his way to seek admission to the church, and drove him back. His suggestions threw him down and sank him into despair—they brought him to the verge of a dreary infidelity—they shook him and sifted him in a manner never to be forgotten by him—but the Spirit of the Lord lifted up a standard, and the young convert was delivered. After a brief season of restored hope and joy, the public profession was made, and the young man went on in his course with joy. Three or four years at Dunkeld: four at Perth where he enjoyed the able ministry of the late Rev. Wm. Orme: seven years at Aberfeldy, where Mr. Kennedy then laboured, who afterwards was better known as of Inverness: the young man was greatly favoured with the best instruction, and he employed it for the good of others while teaching in the Sabbath School.

The year 1817 found him on his way to Canada, and two years afterwards he took up his abode in the place in which he died. There he was joined, two years afterwards, by a loved friend from the Aberfeldy church, Mr. John McEwen, and these two, as David and Jonathan, planned and worked together for the advance of the cause they loved. A Sabbath School, half composed of adults, was commenced in Mr. Kennedy's house, and was continued in that place fourteen years. There, precious seed was sown which has already borne no little fruit. About 1825, the late revered and loved Rev. Wm. McKillican visited that region of country, and was gladly welcomed by these two men of God, who requested him to continue his visits. The result was, that in 1829 the church was organized which has still a name and a place there. What a delight was this to our late friend, and how faithfully did he seek its prosperity from its organization until the day of his death! He loved Zion.

The Bible Society and other catholic organizations found in him a reliable friend; for a Branch of the Bible Society he worked zealously during many years. He was a man of such strict integrity that his word was ever as good as his bond in the community, and he was in all his transactions above the shadow of suspicion. Of great decision of character,—against sin, in every form, he was an uncompromising foe, while for the sinner he had bowels of