

said. We reach such conclusions in the usual synthetic way—a generalisation from various manifestations. In administering his school he was more anxious that others should have their salaries increased than that his own should be. His family motto is *Dominus providebit*. Forms of ostentation or showiness were distasteful to him. This simplicity of taste went very far; he even seemed to regret the dilapidated old Nelson Street school-house, and would often say, "What good work was done in the old place!" The influence on which he laid stress was the unspoken suggestion. He never looked for commendation: he had that of his own conscience. Within his sphere he held himself responsible for what happened, and was too courageous to suggest excuses and too successful to need them. He was devoid of egotism, that vanity of vanities. His deeply religious nature was "a presence to be felt and known in darkness and in light", and as its setting shows a jewel to better advantage, even religion was illustrated in the character of our friend. No earthly honour that could have been conferred on Archibald MacMurchy would have given him so great pleasure as the knowledge that he had performed his duty, and for such performance he asked no reward.

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