

The young of his flock were very dear to him, and he "had no greater joy than to hear that his children "were walking in the truth," while the drifting of any young parishioner from a godly, righteous and sober life, filled him with the deepest solicitude; nor did this anxiety exhaust itself in sentiment,— he considered no personal trouble too great a price to pay for his recovery, and witnesses might be cited, now grey-headed citizens, who could testify that in their early days the first effective check on what threatened to be a downward course was found by them in the loving remonstrance and steadfast hand-grip of their friend, the Dean.

High-spirited by nature, and of impulsive temperament, he had so disciplined and ruled his spirit that he could always hold himself well in hand, and while at the sight or recital of any cruelty or oppression, or indignity offered to God or His Church, he was instantly aflame with righteous indignation, and on every such occasion was,

" Like to a sheathed sabre,

" Ready to flash out at God's call,"

yet in the direction of petulance, or sullenness, or unworthy passion, they who knew him best never saw him out of temper.

To those who shared his counsels and worked with him was well known the impetuosity of their Rector, and his tendency to rush at full speed to its completion, any newly devised scheme of reform; but he wisely allowed himself to be controlled by the influence of a calm, cautious spirit in his household, and his playful recognition of this beneficent home-rule shaped itself in