

Of his last discourse to us, it is altogether impossible to speak in terms adequate to the impression which has been left. I should insult the audience who heard it, if I could suppose that any of them ever could forget the words, "see that ye fall not out by the way." Controversialists may wrangle and dispute about this or the other topic in Theology; but it remains fixed on the invariable basis of observation, that he who sees his end approaching, "that he may die in peace, desires to forgive, and to be forgiven. "But why," said he, "put off this necessary office to the period of death?" And too soon, alas! he showed, that the period of death, might be no time for such an arrangement. Hardly eight days, my brethren, have elapsed, since we heard these words spoken. Within three hours after pronouncing them, he yielded up his soul into the hands of him who gave it.

Thus, he died, as he had lived, in the punctual exercise of his duty. He died, like the Saviour whom he served, preaching peace and goodwill to all around. He died while the words of peace and consolation and prayer had just passed from his lips; when, I am confident, there reigned in his heart, universal philanthropy, and entire submission to the will of God.

His punctuality in duty continued to the very last; and the excellence of his public instructions,