

how many persons think ye, has he received into the Church of Christ by the rite of Baptism? And with what simple yet persuasive eloquence, did he press upon parents, the all important duties which they then undertook to perform? How many persons, here present, or absent, or deceased, has he bound in the sacred bonds of wedlock? And with what manly firmness, did he urge upon the parties, the indispensable obligation of the duties which that relation involved? Did he not frequent the abodes of the sick and the languishing, and enliven their spirits with cheerful conversation, and the hopes of religion? How many of our friends has he accompanied to the silent mansions of the dead? And has he not animated the drooping survivors against the grief which, but for religion, has no hope; and against the terrors of the grave, which, indeed, could have few for him. "Let us not sorrow," he would say, "as those that have no hope, but "remember that those who sleep in Jesus, the "Lord will bring with him:" "therefore," he would add, "with this hope and confidence, we "commit the body to the dust, in full expectation of a blessed and glorious resurrection to "eternal life!" That duty has been done for him, which he has done for so many of our friends and near connections.

It would be extremely difficult to do justice to the virtues of his private life. But we may most
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