

The Sabbath Services.

Sunday, October second, was a day of rare charm. It was a typical autumn day, when the trees were in all their glory, and when all Nature seemed to impress one with the great joy of living. Early the worshippers began to arrive at the church, and by eleven o'clock, the time set for the service to begin, every place was filled, including the minister's vestry, while many had to be content to remain outside. The choir from the neighboring congregation of Bolton led the service of praise, and Rev. Daniel Strachan preached the following sermon:—

"Therefore Hebron became the inheritance of Caleb, the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite."—JOSHUA 14 : 14.

AWAY back in those early days it was just the same as it is now. "Ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you, for every one that asketh receiveth."

Caleb is a splendid example of what God can do for men, and of what men can do as they open their hearts to the higher and holier influences of God. There is not very much given to us of the story of Caleb, just an indication, a suggestion, a stroke or two giving this one item of his life, with here and there a few added comments.

But they are quite sufficient to make his picture stand out before us sufficiently clear for our study. In a very few words spoken by himself to Joshua, we get the outline of his life, and unconsciously to himself he lays bare the secret springs of his being.

He recalls the days half a century before, after the children of Israel had left Egypt, and had been trained and disciplined in the wilderness, they came to Kadesh-Barnea, from where they could look almost into the land promised to them for their in-