

*In Memoriam.*

III. Whoever is to take high and strict reckoning of duty, and to keep a true and lofty conscience, must say farewell to all pitiful longings for popularity. "Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you," for that would be, to be most unlike your LORD. So, St. Paul again could write, out of a heart which greatly prized all human sympathies, "with me, it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment." There was nothing supercilious or cynical in such words, it was only the calm thought of the perfect tribunal before which he should stand at the end of his days, and in comparison with which the judgment of any group of fallible men lost all its terror, and almost all its value.

When a Bishop of another nationality was once asked, with reference to a painful course, which he was led to take,—"but, will anybody befriend or uphold you in that step?" he paused a moment, and said meekly and reverently,—“nobody but God,” and went straightforward to meet the issue. Surely, this later word of St. Paul might well describe, in very troubled hours, Bishop MEDLEY's position and experience. It is hard to believe that he was ever swayed by thought of frown or favor, applause or censure, approval or opposition, as these might come from human sources, and through human channels.