

ate, Rev. William B. Hayden of Portland, Me., conducted the services. The following are the closing words of his address:

“At last he settled down in his quiet and happy home in Roslindale, where the ‘Ancient Mariner,’ as of late he was wont to style himself, ‘cast anchor’ safely in his own chosen port, where he has passed several of the happiest years of his life. His large experience and long, active association with men and things, joined to habits of quick observation, and a retentive memory, had served to store his mind with material, and quicken and develope his intellectual faculties. These, with a fondness for books, furnished him with an inexhaustible fund for interesting conversation, rendering him a most agreeable and entertaining companion, and a welcome visitor in all companies, as well as a most pleasing correspondent. His amiable and gentle disposition and his kindly and gentlemanly manners, ever attentive to the wants and comforts of others, greatly endeared him, not only to his immediate relatives and friends, but also to the whole circle of those who knew him.

“He had no enemies; his acquaintances were all friends. But the crowning quality of his life was his abiding Christian faith and principle. Early in life he formed religious purposes and views. He accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour and the Redeemer of the world, and the gospel precepts were the rule of his life, and he has often said that this early stand taken by him, on the side of religion, had proved a blessing through life and a merciful protection amidst the manifold and trying temptations of his eventful and varied career, preserving him in the pathway of a sober, honest, and upright life, while yielding him unspeakable inward support and comfort.

“He entertained sentiments of the broadest Christian charity for believers of all denominations, being ever ready to fellowship any who belonged to the common brotherhood of Christ; exhibiting the Christian virtue of meekness, patience, sterling integrity, and brotherly kindness in an eminent degree.

“His removal from our midst has been so sudden that we can hardly realize that he is gone. Only the Saturday before he had cleared up his desk, putting his papers in order, and remarking as he did so in relation to a family history he has for several months been aiding in getting through the press, that he had now accomplished his share of the work, and that his labors were done.

“His task was indeed finished, in a fuller and more comprehensive sense than any of which he then thought. The very next day the summons came.

“All the morning he appeared to be in an unusually happy and buoyant state of mind.

“It is a pleasing thought to know that the hour found him in the way of Christian duty, he being on his way to worship in the public sanctuary. He suffered no conscious pain, but stepped, as in an instant, from this visible world into the realms of eternal light.”