

quarters, both within the district and beyond its confines, as, in all respects, eminently fitting and appropriate.

We trust that the onerous duties of the Bench will prove agreeable to you, and that the responsibilities which have been placed upon you will not unduly tax your strength. We beg to assure you that it will be the aim of the members of the Bar, in so far as it lies in their power, to make your labors as little burdensome as possible, and we sincerely hope that you will be spared for many years in health and strength to enjoy the honors which have been so deservedly bestowed upon you.

Mr. Justice White responded as follows :—

“It is very gratifying to be thus welcomed by you, my old colleagues, amongst whom I have passed the best 27 years of my manhood. My professional brethren, with whom I have been so long and so intimately associated, and to whom I have been bound by the close tie of friendly and fraternal companionship, to your address my heart responds with the liveliest emotions of pride and gratitude, pride because you tell me in the sphere of action, where we were side by side, I discharged my obligations as a man and a brother to your satisfaction and won your esteem and regard ; gratitude, because that, looking to the future, you entertain the hope that our altered relationship will bring no interruption to the continuance of the friendly feelings which have always subsisted between us. I would be callous and insensible, indeed, if the expression of such sentiments and hopes coming from you, who have been the best witnesses of my daily life, did not touch me deeply. There is no language at my command adequate to convey to you my heart-felt appreciation of your consideration and kindness. Be assured that the manner in which you have received and endorsed my appointment to this judicial office will not only be an encouragement in the great work which has been placed upon me, but will also be an incentive, if any such were needed, to its diligent and faithful performance. In that work, I am happy to have you proffer the valuable assistance which it is in your power to bestow. Of course, I can only expect it in such measure as is consistent with the discharge of your own duties to your clients. More, I do not ask, nor have any right to expect. The zealous preparation, however, of all cases and applications before they are brought before the court, such, indeed, as you have always