

News of the Churches.

FAREWELL ADDRESS TO REV. E. EBBS.

The following address was presented to the Rev. E. Ebbs, by the Ministers of the Town of Paris, on the occasion of his departure:

To the Rev. Edward Ebbs, Pastor of the Congregational Church, Paris, C. W.
 REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER,—

Having learned that it is your intention to leave your present sphere of labour, we cannot allow you to depart without expressing our high esteem for you as a brother in the Lord, and as a faithful and beloved fellow-labourer in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Your uniform kindness and courtesy—the wisdom of your counsels—and your readiness to promote “every good word and work,” have endeared you to us, your brethren, in the Christian Ministry.

Your stated administrations of the Word of Life among the people of your special charge, have been, we are assured, earnest and faithful, and your occasional services in our pulpits have been highly acceptable to our respective congregations. Many who know the excellency of your Christian deportment, and the ability with which you have discharged your public duties in the pulpit and on the platform, will greatly regret your removal from the field of labour which, for the past seven years, you have so efficiently occupied.

The Ministerial Association in the town, which owes its existence under God to you, has afforded excellent opportunity for fraternal counsel. And while its spiritual exercises have been beneficial to ourselves, the good of the general community has been promoted. Our intercourse with you in this connection has ever been most agreeable and profitable; and we cannot but feel that in your departure we sustain a heavy loss.

It is our earnest desire that the *Great Head* of the Church, who has counted you faithful, putting you into the ministry, may speedily conduct you to an enlarged sphere of Christian activities, and make you therein abundantly useful in comforting and edifying the Church and turning many to righteousness.

It is our earnest prayer that you and your family may have the abundant supply of every needed earthly good, and be enriched with all heavenly and spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus.

The Lord bless thee—the Lord lift the light of his countenance upon thee and give thee peace!

We are, dear Brother,

Yours, in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ,

JAMES ROBERTSON, *River-Street Presbyterian Church.*

THOS. DUDLEY, *P. M. Minister.*

JOHN G. LAIRD, *W. M. Minister.*

THOS. HENDERSON, *Pastor Baptist Church.*

JOHN JAMES, *Dumfries-Street Presbyterian Church.*

Paris, Canada West, August 28th, 1865.

Mr. Ebbs was also presented with an elegant copy of Bagster's Comprehensive Bible, (largest edition,) by the ladies of the Congregational Church in Paris. Among many personal gifts, one at least must not pass without record, viz., a purse containing \$200 from Mr. and Mrs. C. Whitlaw.

BOND STREET CHURCH, TORONTO.

For the information of many friends amongst our readers, and as an example of liberality which we trust may be followed elsewhere, we would here note the fact, that Mr. Wm. R. Ross, a member of the Bond Street Congregational Church, Toronto, who, during the erection of their house of worship, had lent \$1000 to