

In his last illness, though suffering great pain, he sustained his christian character. He called all his family around his bed and gave them his dying charge, and one who witnessed and heard, said of the scene,—“Oh it was grand!” To the elders and members of his congregation he gave also many charges regarding the welfare of his congregation. Though his end was amidst much pain, yet his faith, his christian fortitude, triumphed over all. The last words he uttered which were heard distinctly were, “Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, they do rest from their labours and their works do follow them.” In his death we see the power of religion, we see how a christian can die. How fine to see the aged christian sinking away in the fullness of his faith.

His congregation have lost a faithful minister, and such an example of missionary devotedness will perhaps not soon be found in our church. Never man cared less for this world's goods than he did, never minister could be more indifferent to temporal rewards for his labor. He laboured not for money, he laboured for souls. He wished “souls for his hire.” But he was too indifferent, and injured both his family and congregation. And if blame is to be attached to him for any part of his ministerial character it is here that the blame must rest. Voluntaryism we believe to be scriptural, but that is not scriptural voluntaryism, in a congregation which allows them to give or not give as they may please, on the contrary communicating is a duty “Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.” Had Mr. Jenkins insisted on this, his labours would have been more appreciated, and his success far greater.

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## PRESBYTERIAL NOTICES.

### ABSTRACT

OF THE MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE UNITED ASSOCIATE  
(SECESSION) PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

TORONTO, *September 26, 1843.*

The Presbytery was constituted by the Rev. R. H. Thornton, Moderator. The Rev. John Jennings was appointed Clerk.

Sederunt. John Cassie, George Lawrence, and James Dick, ministers; John Short, A. Rowand, and Philip Jeffrey, Ruling Elders. The Rev. D. Coumts being present was invited to correspond. It having been announced that the Rev. Mr. Jenkins had been removed by death, his name was dropped from the Roll. On motion by Mr. Lawrence the Presbytery unanimously agreed, to take this opportunity of expressing their high respect for the memory of the late Mr. Jenkins, their venerable co-presbyter; their sympathy with his family and congregation under their bereavement, and their prayer, that this dispensation of Divine Providence may be blessed to all concerned. Agreed that the members of Presbytery in rotation (with the exception of Messrs. Morison and McFadyan) supply the congregation of Richmond Hill with sermon every fortnight. Also, granted, upon petition, a moderation to said congregation. Appointed Mr.