

St. John's church, Bowmanville, on Sunday, the 6th October, from Ephesians iii. 15 : "Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named." His Lordship has consented that the following extracts from that sermon should be published :—

"From the words of our text we are to understand that this society, of which the Lord Jesus is the head, is not to be limited to the mere dwellers upon earth. 'The family on earth, and in *heaven*,' is expressly spoken of—the pilgrims of this world and the glorified above ; those who are pursuing their mortal warfare, and those who have finished their course and entered into their reward.

"But we may go further than this, and consider that the 'family in heaven' embraces those ministering spirits which surround the throne of the Eternal, and are the agents and messengers of His will throughout the universe. Angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, thrones, principalities, powers and dominions—these constitute part of the 'family in heaven ;' and to these pure and exalted beings the struggling saints of earth are represented to be allied. United with these as part of the general family of the Lord, are the spirits of those who have fought the fight of earthly tribulation ; who have kept the faith through all the trials of their pilgrimage ; who died rejoicing in the hope of Him who was made our satisfaction on the cross ; who, having 'fallen asleep in Jesus,' are made partakers of 'the rest which remaineth for the people of God.'

"How comforting, my brethren, under many of the darker aspects of our earthly pilgrimage, is this view of