

toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." He earnestly and eloquently showed why we should make religion the great concern of our lives, because it was profitable under all circumstances in this life, and in the life to come.

After the sermon Mr. Watson put the usual questions to Mr. Burnet, which were answered satisfactorily. Rev. Robert Dobie, the Moderator of the Synod, then addressed the Minister, and the Rev. John Moffat the congregation.

After prayer by the Rev. Mr. Watson, the right hand of fellowship was extended by the Presbytery to Mr. Burnet, after which the congregation welcomed Mr. Burnet by a hearty shake of the hand.

The Presbytery was then closed by the Moderator engaging in prayer.

The Session of the Kirk was then constituted, when Mr. James Wright was appointed a representative elder for the current year.

PRESENTATIONS.

THORAH.—About seven o'clock, on the evening of the 21st April, a large party of ladies and gentlemen,—members and adherents of St. Andrew's Church,—in carriages, convened in front of the Hamilton House, Beaverton, and proceeded in procession, under the direction of Mr. Alexander Hamilton, to the residence of the Rev. D. Watson, M.A., their beloved pastor, to whom they presented a buggy, a set of harness and a whip, accompanied by an address, which was read by Mr. Thomas Glasford. The address expresses the warmest regard for their pastor, who has justly endeared himself to his flock, and after referring to the marked increase in numbers, so that the congregation is one of the largest country congregations in Canada, it speaks in these terms of their ecclesiastical position: "We further rejoice to know, that we, as a congregation, and you our pastor, are still in connection with the beloved Church of our fathers—the Church of Scotland—in connection with that Church which has always proved herself to be the noblest among the champions of civil and religious liberty."

Mr. John Ritchie, Point Mara, presented Mrs. Watson with a handsome purse, containing \$130, and read the following address, which we cannot refrain from inserting in full, although constrained from want of space to leave out the one to Mr. Watson himself:

To Mrs. Watson:

DEAR MADAM,—We, the members and adherents of St. Andrew's Church, Thorah, in connection with the Church of Scotland, respectfully request your acceptance of this purse, as a small token of the love and respect which we entertain towards you. Your kindness of heart, gentleness of disposition and varied accomplishments, have endeared you to all who have the pleasure and honour of your acquaintance. Our prayer is, that God may long spare you in the land of the living—a crown of rejoicing to your husband, and a blessing to your family. When your labour of love is ended, when the golden bowl at the fountain is broken, when the silver cords of life are snapt asunder, may yours be the Crown of never fading glory. (Signed on behalf of the Congregation), JOHN RITCHIE.