

"Wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation."

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DIVERSITY OF GIFTS BUT ONE SPIRIT.

Flowers that in Jesus' garden have a place,
How lovely they appear!
Of diverse hue and odour, form and grace,
They stand together there.

Yea, 'tis charming to the godly mind,
The work of grace to see;
Whose beams call virtues forth of every kind,
In rich variety.

Here wisdom blooms, and here simplicity,
And gentle patience there;
Devotion near the cross, and purity,
And beauty every where.

And thus the Spirit worketh as He will,
In each as seemeth meet;
And when each chosen stone its place shall fill,
The temple is complete.

—From *Tholuck's Hours of Devotion*.

LINES FOR THE YOUNG.

REMEMBER!

Remember, oh, remember,
Before thy young days fly,
That the youngest one among us,
Is not too young to die.

We've all immortal spirits,
And a living soul to save;
Then pray, oh, do not linger,
For we are near the grave.

The golden days of childhood
Are now fast passing by;
Then seek to improve the present,
Ere that too soon shall fly.

To thy Creator give the prime,
The best of all thy love;
Then think with hope sublime,
Of the joy there is above.

Then remember, oh, remember,
Before thy young days fly,
That the youngest one among us,
Is not too young to die.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The ordinary quarterly meeting is appointed to be held at Laguerre, C. E., on Wednesday, 8th August, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to receive the ordination trials of Mr. John Crombie, Probationer, and for other business.

D. FRASER, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will take place at London, on the second Wednesday of August, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

J. SCOTT, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Picton, on the third Tuesday of August, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

W. GREGG, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Hamilton, and within Knox's Church, on the second Tuesday of August, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

M. Y. STARR, *Pres. Clerk*.

PRESBYTERY OF KINGSTON.

At Picton, the Kingston Presbytery met on the 23rd May, and ordained Mr. Thomas Chambers, to the pastoral charge of the congregation. Mr. Chesnut of Madoc presided, and preached from 2 Tim., 1. 10. The Presbyterian form of Church Government was defended by Mr. Gregg. Mr. Rogers offered the ordination prayer. The newly ordained pastor was addressed by Mr. Burns, and the congregation by Mr. Wilson.

On the 12th June, the Presbytery met at Kingston—Mr. Smart, formerly of Brockville, now residing in Belleville, being present, was invited to sit and deliberate with the Presbytery.

The subject of the call to Mr. Burns from St. Catherine's being taken up, Messrs. James Douglass and W. F. Hubbard, appeared as Commissioners from the Congregation of St. Catherine's, and Mr. Alexander from Brantford, as Commissioner from the Presbytery of Hamilton. These

parties very earnestly urged the translation of Mr. Burns.

With equal earnestness, his translation was opposed by the Commissioners from Chalmers' Church Congregation; Dr. Maer, Messrs. Macalister and Miller, and the representatives of Chalmers' Church Session, Dr. Dickson, and Mr. Matthews.

Mr Burns then stated his views to the effect that, after prayerful and careful consideration, he felt it his duty to accept the Call, and remove to St. Catherine's, if permitted by the Presbytery.

The Presbytery's decision was deferred till its first meeting of the Synod, which was held in Belleville, on the 27th June. At its meeting, Mr. Chambers was appointed moderator for the ensuing year.

The subject of the call to Mr. Burns being resumed, Dr. Maer, who was present, and Mr. Stewart, elder of Chalmers' Church, being asked by the Presbytery, stated their belief that the Congregation of Chalmers' Church were still anxious to retain Mr. Burns as their pastor. These statements were confirmed by different members of the Presbytery, who also stated their views at considerable length, on the several merits of the question.

Mr. Burns, being called to state his views declared, that having, since last meeting, given the whole subject his most anxious and prayerful reconsideration, he still felt it his duty to accept the Call.

The Presbytery on a conjunct view of all the circumstances, resolved to grant a release. They agreed at the same time to record their deep sympathy with the congregation of Chalmers' Church in their present position, and their earnest hope that they may speedily obtain another pastor, who shall faithfully break to them the bread of life.

They further agreed to record their deep regret at parting with a brother with whom, during eight years, they have enjoyed pleasant intercourse, and from whose zeal and talents the cause of religion has derived signal benefits within the bounds of the Presbytery.

The Presbytery further appointed Mr. Gordon of Gananoque, to proclaim this act on as early a day as he conveniently can, to Chalmers' Church Congregation, and authorize any ordained minister of the Presbytery, who may be supplying the pulpit of Chalmers' Church, to preside at meetings of its session.

Messrs. Rogers, and Gregg, and Wilson, were appointed the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee for the ensuing year—Mr. Gregg, Convener.

Messrs. Gregg and Chesnut were appointed to moderate in a call in the united congregations of Roslin and Melrose.

Mr. Gordon of Gananoque, applied for leave of absence for six months in Scotland, which was granted on condition of his providing suitable supplies for his pulpit.

WILLIAM GREGG, *Pres. Clerk*.