

poor measure the "Staff of Beauty and the Staff of Bands," as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer.

Of the building in which we are now assembled for the first time, it becomes me to say no more than this, that it is a very simple, humble, and unworthy effort to glorify God, and to give access to His worship to all who choose to avail themselves of his ordinances, *especially to the poor*. And as in building it, it is my duty not to look for human praise, so is it equally incumbent on me to give no heed to the rash and groundless censures of those, who say "*Our lips are our own, who are they that ought to speak, who is lord over us?*"* To the erection of this building scarcely any one has been asked to contribute: for I consider that your contributions of a larger kind are reserved for a larger edifice, in the erection of which a great number of the inhabitants of this place pledged themselves solemnly to support me. From you particularly I claim that support: as your Bishop, as your friend, as one who has no interest at heart but yours, as one who, whatever may be his personal failings and defects, desires to benefit you, your city, and the people of this Province. And I shall have your support. You gave it to me publicly, and on certain principles, as publicly declared, (the question of site being, by unanimous consent, left, at your request, entirely to myself.) My principles are unchanged: and you will never, I should imagine, suffer me to build on, and say, "We went down with him to lay the stone, now let him go and finish it by himself."

As regards the collection for this day, it will be appropriated to the providing a durable stone fence around this chapel: But oh that God may have better things in store for us! May He grant, not the erection of walls of stone, but the taking away of "hearts of stone," and give us "hearts of flesh."

In this place may many a sluggish soul be quickened to a sense of duty, many a wanderer be recalled, many a consistent Christian be edified, many a mourner wipe away his tears. Here may the "Sun of Righteousness arise with healing on his

* Numbers vi. 24, 25, 26.