

PORTRAIT OF REV. F. H. MARLING.

When Rev. Dr. G. Smith was in Canada, he did us the honour to ask for a copy of our photograph, that he might procure the insertion of an engraving taken therefrom, in the *Evangelical Magazine*, each monthly number of which contains a portrait of some minister, at home or abroad. In June of the present year, the likeness accordingly appeared, being copied from a *carte* taken by Mr. H. O'Hara, of Bowmanville, though, unfortunately, not so faithful a representation of the original as another by the same artist at the late Union meeting. In reference to this matter, Dr. S. wrote us (23rd May, 1867) :—

“I obtained the consent of the Trustees of the *Evangelical Magazine* for your portrait to be published, and I am glad that it will appear in the June number. I hope it will be done well, and *I shall be glad if it leads any of our friends in Toronto to send for that periodical*. At any rate, it will give many friends in England an opportunity of knowing what manner of man you are, and will show the brethren in Canada that we are not wholly indifferent in England to our friends in the Colonies.”

This letter having arrived during the session of the Union, at Kingston, and having been communicated to the “CANADIAN INDEPENDENT Publishing Company,” meeting at the same time, Dr. Wilkes was commissioned by them to obtain a sufficient number of copies to furnish one to each subscriber to this magazine. They are accordingly issued with the present number. If we fall a few copies short they will be supplied hereafter.

If sufficiently encouraged by the state of the subscription list, and the co-operation of friends, it is the intention of the Company to issue illustrations of various kinds from time to time. Portraits of Dr. Wilkes and Dr. Lillie, and views of the Churches at Brantford and Guelph, have been thus presented to the subscribers already.

Some further extracts from Dr. Smith's letter, of general interest, may close this notice.

“The death of Mr. Poore has very deeply affected me, as, I have no doubt, it has you. I learnt to know and love him for his truthful character and earnest zeal, when we travelled together on your side of the Atlantic, and I mourn the loss of a valued friend. Our loss is his gain. May we meet him in the land of perfect light and love!

“I am much pleased with the *Canadian Independent*, and congratulate you on its brightening prospects. I look for its appearance, and read it with much interest.

“It gives me pleasure to know that our *Hymn Book* is obtaining a place in our churches in B. N. A., and hope it will become in time as much prized there as it is here.

“My health has somewhat improved, and as I have an assistant minister, I hope it may, by relieving me from some part of my public work, tend to promote increasing strength.

“You may be sure that I often think, and not infrequently speak of Canada.”

Our good friend may be assured, in return, that his brethren in Canada “often think, and not infrequently speak” of him, and his most welcome visit.