

Ecclesiastical Notices.

ALBION AND VAUGHAN.

The U. P. congregations of these places, had the Rev. Peter Glassford inducted as their Pastor by the Presbytery of Toronto, on the 8rd of July. The Rev. Mr. Jennings commenced the services and preached from Psalm cxlii 4, last clause. The Rev. Dr. Taylor put the Questions of the Formula, offered up the Induction Prayer, and gave the Charge to the minister. The Rev. Mr. Coutts gave the Charge to the congregation and concluded the services. The audience was respectable, and apparently interested. This district has been long settled, and is considerably populous. The temporal circumstances of the people are excellent, and daily improving. Mr. Glassford has given them a preference over several other congregations; and we trust that under the Divine blessing, his settlement amongst them will be productive of great spiritual prosperity and comfort.

CHATHAM.

The Rev. John Fraser lately tendered his resignation of the Pastoral charge of the United Presbyterian Congregation here, which the Presbytery accepted, after taking the regular steps, by summoning the Congregation and otherwise.

GREYFRIARS, GLASGOW—SCOTLAND.

The Rev. Mr. Cairns of Berwick, has declined the unanimous and very earnest Call of this large and opulent congregation. The reasons he assigns, and which he read at length, in the Presbytery of Coldstream and Berwick, are chiefly three: first, the fear of aggravating a complaint under which he has been labouring, and for which the air of Glasgow is deemed unfavourable; secondly, a desire to retain his influence in a town which may be considered one of the outposts of the U. P. Church; and lastly, an aversion to such an interference as a Glasgow charge would occasion, with the plan of his life, which is to devote himself, more and more, to the preparation of works in sacred literature. In an ordinary man, a good deal of this would

have been simply amusing vanity. In Mr. Cairns, it was just and dignified self-appreciation; and we have the authority of Milton, or of Milton's Raphael, for saying:—

“Oft-times nothing profits more
Than self-esteem, grounded on just and
right,
Well managed.”

Verily the age demands works in sacred literature, which shall harmonise sound theology and sound philosophy,—holy writ and common sense. Surely both are of God.

BLLENHEIM.

The Bible class in the U. P. congregation here, taught by Rev. George Murray, their minister, lately presented to him a considerable sum of money, to be expended on what he deemed most desirable and useful. Accordingly, it has been laid out in the purchase of an excellent English lever watch, with gold casing. This donation does much credit to the hearts of the young people who raised it, and cannot but be highly gratifying to the receiver. While, of late, a number of instances have appeared in the Magazine, of liberal testimonials of esteem to the younger brethren in the ministry; to cheer them on in putting their hand to the plough, this mark of regard for a veteran in the service, who has laboured much over a wide field since about the commencement of the Mission, is particularly honourable to the parties concerned. And it is nothing but what truth and justice call for, to add here, that the people of the congregation of Blenheim stand distinguished, in the judgment of those who know them, for their steadfast adherence to principle, and their fine Christian spirit, through trial and fluctuation.—*Communicated.*

ANCASTER.

The United Presbyterian Presbytery of Flamboro' met on Tuesday, 10th July, for ordaining Mr. John Lees as minister of the congregations in this Township. The Rev. Mr. Porteous preached from