

ing, extemporized and led by Mr. Charles, of Port Perry. Having proceeded, after the meeting, to Port Perry, we found entertainment and lodging in the hospitable family of Mr. Charles: where the collection was counted and found to be over \$2.

After breakfast on Saturday morning, we visited the ruins of the handsome little brick Church which was lately so lamentably mutilated by a storm, while in course of erection. I understand that an application has been made to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, on behalf of this building: but, however favourable the answer may prove to be, contributions should be sent from among Canadian Churchmen themselves for the encouragement of a little congregation which has made so noble an effort to place the Church in Port Perry in a creditable position. They have taxed their means already to the utmost: let us not, then, allow the swarm of little sects around them to sneer at them as persons who "began to build and were not able to finish." Port Perry is, moreover, a post of considerable importance to our Church in that locality. I understand that Mr. Forneri is about to have a Church erected at Greenbank in this mission, the plan of which (an admirable one) he himself is furnishing. There is a strong impression abroad in this neighbourhood that Prince Albert and Port Perry might advantageously be separated from Uxbridge and Grouped with some nearer stations in order to the maintenance of a separate Clergyman: but it is difficult to decide whether the time has yet quite arrived for this movement. Certain it is, however, that the hardworked missionary is literally unable to give Prince Albert the full number of services to which it is entitled: and this makes the good people somewhat impatient and desirous of having Mr. Forneri more to themselves. I would, therefore, respectfully commend this matter to the consideration of the proper authorities.

As this meeting at Prince Albert concluded the part which I had consented to take as substitute for Mr. Broughall, I proceeded to Oshawa, and thence to the sphere of my Sunday duty. The Rev. Rural Dean Hill, I was given to understand, had undertaken to attend the other meetings of the Georgina section: and will, no doubt, report upon his proceedings therein.

Yours sincerely,

RICHARD HARRISON.

PRESENTATION.

The Members of St. John's Church, Elora, and of St. James's Church, Fergus, presented their minister, Rev. C. E. Thomson, with a purse, containing the handsome sum of \$126.25 to assist in defraying his expenses to the South, for which place he started yesterday morning, in order that a warmer climate, and cessation from arduous duties for a short time, might be found beneficial to his declining health.

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ADDRESS:

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—We, the Church Wardens and Members of your Congregation of Elora and Fergus, avail ourselves of the present opportunity of expressing our sorrow at the failure of your health.

We have always feared that the duties you have had to perform here and at Fergus would ultimately prove to be beyond your strength. Two services in Elora and one in Fergus on every Sunday, besides the many calls on your time and attention during the week, would seem to us to require an amount of bodily strength which few possess.

We can gratefully testify, however, that these services have been hitherto faithfully and punctually discharged; and if they are now to be intermitted, we know it is owing to the necessity imposed upon you of withdrawing for a time.

We pray that a sojourn in a milder climate and a discontinuance of ministerial labor may, under the blessing of God, so far recruit your health as to enable you to come back to us, at no distant day, in health and spirits.

We beg to make you an offer, in testimony of our love and affection, of a small purse which would have been larger had time been allowed us.

(Signed) J. A. CREIGHTON, JAMES ARKELL, W. H. L. LAPENOITIERE, T. BATE, DR. PAGET, T. FARROW, J. REYNOLDS, DR. FINLAYSON.

REV. C. E. THOMSON, *St. John's, Elora.*