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The Hon. the CHIEF JUSTICE OF UPPER CANADA, being engaged in his duties on the Bench, did not enter the meeting till a late hour, and, on rising to address the meeting, was warmly applauded. In a brief address, his lordship alluded to the progress of the Church in this Province since his first acquaintance with it in 1820. He drew a cheering contrast between its feebleness at that time with its present satisfactory position, and imputed it in a great measure to the exertions, under God, of the venerable Bishop of Toronto. There were few men that could live to see the work of his own hands in the manner that had been permitted his lordship, and he trusted that he would yet be spared to see the extension of that work which he so well began. (Applause.)

Col. LOWRY, on coming forward, was warmly received. He said, My Lord Bishop, ladies and gentlemen—As the holder of an honored commission from a revered and honored earthly sovereign, I am well pleased to take my place here to-night amongst so many of those who hold their commissions from the King of kings. (Cheers.) When invited to take a part in the good work in which we are now engaged, I at once expressed my readiness for any service assigned me, and I was told this afternoon that I was to "cover the retreat." But, my Lord, there must be no such word as "retreat" inscribed on the banner of the cross. The motto of those who serve in the Great Master's army must be "forward." First, let me say how heartily, I am sure, we all shared in the well deserved tribute of respect and affection for the venerable Bishop of this diocese, which has just been so eloquently paid by the learned Chief Justice. Next, let me tender the heartiest acknowledgment of the kindness of the Bishop of Western New York, and of the two revered priests of our Church who came with him, for their most auspicious visits. They have been but 48 hours in our midst, yet how have those few hours been utilized for the Church's good. May their great exertions in our cause be long remembered, and may their influence be long felt. And specially would I express to you, my Lord Bishop, my deep sense of your most graceful and most grateful allusion here to-night to the former services in this country of the corps it is my great privilege to command. I would also cordially thank you for accepting our Chaplain's invitation, and preaching, at our early military service, a sermon which will, I am sure, long dwell in the hearts of those who heard it. It was a peculiar gratification to me to take you over our barracks, and to our regimental schools, and to hear those few and happy words your lordship spoke to our children. This is not the place nor am I the person to touch on the highest aspect of missionary work, but I may be permitted to say that I anticipate, right revd. and revd. sirs, the greatest good from this your visit. It will serve to take us out of the groove of mere routine, and to invigorate the Church's missionary enterprise amongst us. It will bind us all more together in one great Catholic bond of united action. I have heard with pleasure, of late, of the generous response to our Bishop's pastoral from the country parishes: that in the city has yet to be made, and I trust it will be in the same spirit. You in Toronto have many calls. There is your General Hospital, your "Boy's Home," your "Girls' Home," and your "Protestant Orphans' Home," and, as "the poor will never cease from out the land," long may you continue to support these institutions in their efficiency. They are the glory of your city, but, while you slack not your hands in their main-