

forsake anything for Him who shall not receive an hundred-fold in this present time, and in the time to come eternal life. Hath not He said it?

And now, let me commend this movement in Ottawa to the prayers and sympathy of the Church. The brethren there who have given themselves to it deserve well of us all. They have, for the sake of the gospel, taken willingly upon themselves, a very great burden, considering their numbers and means. In a spirit of self-denial much rarer, and more beautiful, than that which prompts the liberal donation, they have left their pastor, and their friends and companions, to make trial of all the vicissitudes and discouragements of a struggling cause. They have a claim on our prayers, and our warmest sympathy. And also, let us present their claim for substantial aid, which they will sorely need before their work can be crowned with complete success; and commend them to the liberality of all able and willing to help forward such a cause.

I am Sir &c.,

WILLIAM MCKENZIE.

RESOLUTIONS WITH REFERENCE TO A DECEASED ELDER.

Resolutions of the Session of Otonabee, in reference to the late John McFarlane.

Forasmuch as it has pleased the great Head of the Church to remove from us by death, Mr. John McFarlane, for a long period an office-bearer in the Keene congregation, and amongst its first office-bearers:

Resolved 1st. That we would desire to express our deep sorrow at the trying visitation, yet to feel submissive under the chastening hand of God, who, we are assured, does all things well.

2nd That we would feel hopeful that our loss has been his gain, that whilst removed from a world of sin, sorrow, anxiety, sickness, and care, he has gone to the land in which there is no sorrow, where all tears are wiped away, where he shall behold God's face in righteousness, and be satisfied with his likeness.

3rd. That we would feel thankful that he has been so long spared to us in the Church below—that he so long maintained a life of christian consistency, and that he received his dismissal from the Lord's vineyard upon earth without blot or stain upon his character.

4th. That we would feel admonished by his sudden removal from our midst of the necessity of increased diligence in the great business of life, to work whilst it is called to day, as the night of death cometh, in which no man can work.

5th. That we would tender our sympathy to the bereaved widow and family,—may the God of the Widow be the God of the bereaved partner, and may the Father of the Fatherless be the children's consolation.

6th. That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be sent to the bereaved widow and family, be inserted in the Session Book, and sent for publication in the Record.

Keene, 9th December 1865.

Select Extracts.

DECLENSION AND REVIVAL.

Declension applies only to true believers. Many who appeared to be disciples, in process of time go back and walk no more with Christ. They revert,