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CHURCH IN CANADA.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, GALT.

We are pleased to learn from the *Galt Reporter* that the Congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Galt, in connection with the Established Church of Scotland, having lately given a harmonious Call to the Rev. Hamilton Gibson to be their Minister, the Rev. the Presbytery of Hamilton met in said Church on Wednesday, November 13th, for the purpose of inducting Mr. Gibson.

The business of the day was opened by the Rev. Andrew Bell, Dundas, accompanied by the Rev. John Mowat, Niagara, stating the purport of the meeting, and calling for objections to the Settlement; but, none having been made, the Rev. Daniel McNee, of Hamilton, proceeded with the services, and after an excellent and most Evangelical Sermon administered to Mr. Gibson the usual Vows, after which the Rev. Colin Gregor, of Guelph, addressed him in a most solemn manner in regard to the high responsibility of the office he had undertaken, followed by a suitable address to the congregation from the Rev. Mr. Bell, Stratford. The whole Services were conducted with great solemnity, and Mr. Gibson's reception was most cordial. The Church was numerously attended.

This settlement was the result of a very unanimous call from the members and adherents of the Church. And it may be confidently expected that Mr. Gibson, who is a man of solid worth and considerable experience in the Sacred Office, will prove a great blessing in the new sphere of labour in which Providence has cast his lot.

TESTIMONIAL TO THE REV. JOHN B. MOWAT, A. M.

On the 3rd instant a deputation from the members and adherents of St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, consisting of Messrs. Creighton, Campbell, and [redacted] waited upon the above named clergyman and in the presence of their much esteemed pastor, the Rev. Dr. Machar, presented him with a superbly bound copy of the splendid edition, in folio, of Bagster's *Biblia Sacra Polyglotta*, exhibiting the Scriptures in eight languages, containing the Syriac New Testament, and having prefixed the valuable Prolegomena of Dr. Lee, of Cambridge. The volume was presented by Mr. Creighton, who accompanied it with a suitable and feeling address.

The Rev. Gentleman, who seemed deeply affected, expressed in warm terms his pleasure in receiving the splendid and valuable gift now so spontaneously and cheerfully given, as indicating the feeling entertained towards him by the congregation.

The volume bears the following inscription:—

"PRESENTED

To the Revd. John B. Mowat, A. M.,
Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Niagara,

BY

The Members and Adherents of St. Andrew's Church, Kingston,

AS

A small token of their personal esteem and appreciation of his able and faithful labour, while Missionary in this Congregation."

Kingston, 3rd October, 1850.

UNIVERSITY OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

On Friday, 11th October, the University of Queen's College was publicly opened.—After prayer had been offered up by the Revd. Dr. Machar, the Principal of the College, the names of the matriculated Students were read; and we were gratified to learn that the number of Students was considerably greater than in any former year. We were pleased to learn that on the 16th November there were upwards of forty Students in attendance. The number of Students is steadily increasing every session. The Laws of the College were then read.

The meeting was closed with a most appropriate address to the Students by the Principal. In this address, the delivery of which occupied a considerable time, after a rapid glance at the principal subjects embraced in a University education, and at their great and general importance, the Principal proceeded to give the Students certain counsels for their guidance, exhorting them to yield the strictest obedience to the Laws of the University, to pay the closest attention to the instructions of their Professors, to adopt a proper distribution of their time so as to have their hours of relaxation and recreation, and to be diligent and laborious in their studies; and concluding with urging upon them, in a most impressing and affecting manner, with all their getting to get that Wisdom which makes wise unto salvation, to secure that good part which is found at the feet of Christ,—that good part which would prove their best guide and support amidst the trials and difficulties awaiting them on earth, as well as be their preparation for the purity and blessedness of Heaven.