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Gladly would we have transferred to our columns the whole of the proceedings of the Church Convention, lately held at Richmond, U. S., but our space would not permit of it. The speeches of the speakers both clerical and lay, include all the topics to us so practical and interesting, that we have found it difficult to make a selection; we are a branch of the same church, and we trust that the noble sentiments which we read may approve themselves to the members of our communion, and arouse many to a sense of their duty as members of the Church militant.

We trust that the Clergy and our subscribers generally, will not only read attentively the excellent addresses republished from the New York Church Journal, in the last two numbers, and the practical sermon which Professor Kendall has kindly permitted us to print, but will also draw the attention of the Laity generally to the arguments they contain. "Is there not a cause?"

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DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TWO ADDRESSES AND A PRESENTATION.

The following addresses have been presented to the Rev. H. W. Stewart, late assistant Curate of St. George's Church, Guelph, on the occasion of his departure to another sphere of duty:—

TO THE REVEREND HENRY WILLIAM STEWART, B.A.

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR,—We, the undersigned, members of the Church of England, and others, inhabitants of the town of Guelph and vicinity, hearing of your proposed change to some other parish, cannot allow you to leave this sphere of your useful ministry without expressing our heartfelt regret at parting with you, and renewing our assurance of every kind wish for your health and happiness.

We would avail ourselves of this occasion, to bear willing testimony to the constant faithfulness and unwearied zeal with which you, in co-operation with your esteemed father, have discharged the laborious duties devolving upon you, during the absence from this parish, for a period of nearly two years, of the Rector, the Reverend Arthur Palmer.

And we earnestly trust that the blessings of kind Providence may attend you, where ever your lot may be hereafter cast, and that there your

future ministry may be marked with the same measure of success that it has been here.

This address was beautifully engrossed and presented by a deputation, consisting of the two Churchwardens—William T. Vale and T. W. Saunders, Esqrs., and L. Battersby, F. J. Chadwick and H. W. Peterson, Esqrs., on a long roll, containing the signatures of four hundred of the inhabitants of Guelph and the neighbouring townships of Puslinch and Eramosa.

Mr. Stewart, in his reply, expressed his warm affection for his friends in Guelph, and his gratitude for the kindness they had always shown him. He also prayed that every blessing, temporal and eternal, might be vouchsafed to them.

In the evening of the same day, the Sunday-school teachers presented the Rev. Mr. Stewart with the following Address, together with a very handsome copy of Dugald Stewart's works (10 vols.), and Hook's Ecclesiastical Dictionary.

ADDRESS:

To the Rev. Henry William Stewart, Vice-President of the St. George's Sunday-school Society.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—We, the members of this Society, wish unfeignedly to address you on your leaving Guelph, and to evince our heartfelt sorrow for the loss of one so much and so justly respected as yourself, more especially as we have so much enjoyed, and, we hope, benefitted, by the meetings over which you have presided; neither can we allow this opportunity to pass without thanking your much esteemed father for his kindness in supplying your place when unavoidably absent. And, as a token of regard, we would request your acceptance of this copy of Dugald Stewart's works, together with Hook's Ecclesiastical Dictionary. Though the work is not so handsome as our wishes would suggest, still we hope it may prove a useful memento of our pleasant meetings.

We trust that your future labours may be marked with that success which has hitherto attended them; and we would also congratulate you on your bright anticipations of a happy home. Feeling the utmost regret at the thoughts of our separation,

Believe us, Dear Sir,

Your sincere friends,

Signed by the members of the Society.

REPLY:

To the members of St. George's Sunday school Society.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,—I feel deeply the affection and kindness which have prompted you to give me these gratifying and valuable tokens of your sentiments towards me. I am conscious that I do not deserve them, but this makes your indulgence and generosity still more conspicuous.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in selecting works precisely in accordance with my tastes, you could not have chosen any thing which I should value so much as Sir William Hamilton's edition of Dugald Stewart's works; and Hook's Ecclesiastical Dictionary I believe to be the product of much learning.

It affords me great happiness, my dear friends,

to think that you have enjoyed our evening meetings; I am sure you cannot have done so more than I have, and I pray our Heavenly Father, for His dear Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ's sake, that the effect of our meetings may not be merely an earthly and fading pleasure, but that they may be a means blessed to the furtherance of our souls in the way everlasting, and that we may ever grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. That our hearts may be the living temples of the Holy Ghost, and that all our affections may be daily more and more conformed to the likeness of our blessed Lord and Master: that we may all know the truth as it is in Jesus, and that we may each day see more clearly the glorious simplicity of that Gospel which says, "Believe and thou shalt be saved."

I thank you very much for your congratulations on my bright anticipations of a happy home, and I cannot help expressing special thanks to the kind friend who has inscribed my name in the books which you have presented me.

Allow me again to assure you that I shall ever feel grateful to each one of you for your affectionate indulgences towards me, of which you have this day given so striking an evidence.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours faithfully in Christ,

(Signed,) HENRY WILLIAM STEWART.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

The Church Society of Toronto met on Wednesday, Nov. 9, 1859, at 3 P. M.

Present,—The Lord Bishop of Toronto in the Chair. Archdeacon of York, Rers. S. Givens, T. B. Read, J. Beaven, D.D., F. L. Osler, M.A., T. B. Fuller, D.C.L., Stephen Lett, L.L.D., G. Whitaker, M.A., T. S. Kennedy, S. B. Ardagh, A. M., J. W. Marsh, Hon. P. B. Dehlaquiere, Messrs. J. W. Gamble, R. B. Denison, Hon. J. H. Cameron, Dr. Bovell, C. C. Campbell, H. Mortimer.

The usual prayers were read by the Ven. Archdeacon Bethune; the minutes of the Society's previous meeting by the Secretary, confirmed, and the signature of the President attached.

The Hon. J. H. CAMERON, seconded by Dr. BOVELL, moved the adoption of the following by-law of which notice had been given by the mover at the last monthly meeting, which was carried.

BY-LAW

To confirm the award made between the Church Societies of the Dioceses of Toronto and Huron, by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Toronto and the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Huron, and the Honourable Sir James Buchanan Macaulay.

Whereas the Right Reverend John, Lord Bishop of Toronto, and the Right Reverend Benjamin, Lord Bishop of Huron, and the Honourable Sir James Buchanan Macaulay, Knight, have made their award in certain matters in difference between the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, and the Church Society of the Diocese of Huron, in the terms, as per award.

And whereas it is advisable and necessary that