

then tendered Mr. Williams their heartiest and most loving welcomes, and the assurances of their loyal support and endeavor in their work together.

Rev. B. B. Williams, the pastor elect, would have gladly kept silent on this occasion. When he came to them in September he had not the remotest idea of becoming their pastor. He deeply appreciated the kindness of the friends in Guelph at that time, but returned to England with the idea that a settlement among them was not among the probabilities. Mr. Williams then detailed somewhat his relations and thought over the call subsequently extended.

He wished to be a broad, low, and high churchman—broad in his sympathies, his views of truth and his proclivities; low in being rooted and bound in the truth; high, on the high level of faith and love and Christian consecration.

Rev. W. W. Smith, of Newmarket, gave the charge to pastor. He said his few words of counsel were not by authority, but would only commend themselves in so far as they were founded on wisdom and truth. Next to the life in Christ, came aptness to teach. Any teacher must learn to teach, and must teach to learn; the giving out and expression of truth to others was the best means of thoroughly learning it for ourselves. A minister should be sympathetic with his people, be much among them, receive their confidences, and converse largely on spiritual things, be sympathetic with the young, use his influence, not his authority, and say "yes" as often as he possibly could, for conditions could be always added.

Rev. W. F. Clarkson, of Birmingham, England, then delivered the address to the people from Philippians 2, 29: "Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness." After referring to the esteem in which Mr. Williams was held in the Midland counties of England, and the prayers which would follow him, Mr. Clarkson divided his address under three heads, first, the manner in which the relation between the pastor and the people should be formed—in the Lord; second, the possession the minister held, and third, the treatment the church should give him.

Mr. Clarkson's address was a magnificent one, and one rarely heard in this country. He has a grand presence, has a good voice, and is a preacher of great power.

Rev. Mr. Aylward spoke of his acquaintance with Mr. Williams in England, where his friend had been pastor of Chichester for 17 years, and afterwards at Kidderminster and Dudley. He it was who first suggested the idea of the speaker's coming to Canada. He also spoke feelingly of the pastor's wife, and how Mr. Williams' success was largely due to the patient, tender way in which she had helped him in his home. He advised the young men and young women to seek the counsel

and help of the pastor and his wife to the fullest extent. Mr. Aylward's address contained several humorous reminiscences.

Archdeacon Dixon said Mr. Williams had been especially commended to him both by letter and by friends. Though not in accord in all things, they could walk peaceably together in the unity of the spirit, in the bond of peace, and in the strength of righteousness. He looked forward to the time when all the churches should be one, and closed with a tribute to the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish what seems impossible.

Rev. Dr. Wardrope of Guelph, Rev. D. McCormick of Speedside, Rev. A. W. Richardson of Georgetown, and Rev. Messrs. Kilgour and Smith of Guelph, also added a few words.

Though it was after 10:30 before the proceedings terminated, the interest was well sustained throughout. Mr. Williams enters on his pastorate under most happy auspices, and we trust his labors will be abundantly blessed.

TORONTO, EAST.—Mount Zion Congregational Church celebrated its 13th anniversary on the 13th July. The Rev. Enoch Barker, Pastor, preached on Sunday morning—taking for his subject—Spiritual Building. The Rev. Mr. Bentley, preached in the evening, taking for his text—"For me to live is Christ, to die is gain." Both services were well attended, and very impressive. The Church-building was beautifully decorated with the choicest of flowers, ferns, and mottoes made of grasses.

Mr E. Mounstephen, church-secretary, managed this department admirably. The choir, under their leader, Mr. Sullens, rendered musical selections most excellently.

On Tuesday evening a goodly gathering listened to addresses by the Pastor and the Revs Reikie and Webb. The choir interspersed some beautiful anthems. During the evening Mrs. Gray, the faithful organist, was pleasantly surprised by a presentation of a purse of money from friends of the church. The congregation, led by the choir, sang—"Blest be the tie that binds." Miss Forbes, of Fergus, sang very sweetly "My Ain Countrie." A special effort was made to reduce the debt. Our encumbrance now is about two hundred dollars, while we have about \$150 toward a new building in the future. The services closed very pleasantly with a feast of raspberries, etc. CHAS. GREEN.

MELBOURNE, QUEBEC:—A Council was called at the request of the Church, and with the consent of its Pastor, at Melbourne, Quebec, to inquire into certain rumours concerning the good name of the Rev. Geo. F. Brown.

The Council met at the Church Tuesday, July 8th, 10 a.m. Dr. H. E. Barnes, Sherbrooke, was elected Moderator; Rev. J. W. Goffin, Waterville,