

Grey. The address speaks of the manner in which the duties in the particular court for the locality had been performed: "and the usefulness of that Court, under your Honor's jurisdiction, in giving soundness to pecuniary transactions, confidence in commercial affairs and a high tone of moral feeling;" and adds: "on your separation from this division, in taking leave of you, we beg to assure you that it is with mingled feelings of respect and regret; respect for you as an able and upright judge, and regret that we have lost your valuable services." Referring to this address, the *Barrie Herald** of 7th April, 1852, says, amongst other things: "From personal attendance for a period of more than six years at many of the courts over which Judge Gowan presides, we are warranted in expressing our conviction that to his integrity, ability and painstaking efforts, and not merely to the value of the system itself, may be traced the existence of the order of things fitly described in the address to him as 'giving soundness to pecuniary transactions, confidence in commercial affairs, and a higher tone to moral feeling,' throughout the county."

Not only was the Judge earnest with the performance of his regular work, but he took much trouble in aiding every official, within his jurisdiction, by instruction and advice, a matter of no small moment, in the early settlement of the country, when

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