

The Caradoc branch of the congregation intend building next summer. May the Great Head of the Church approve and bless their future exertions, as He has in the past.

ADELAIDE.—On the 7th January last, the members of the East Adelaide Church resolved on giving their pastor—the Rev. James Donaldson—a pleasant surprise. The whole of the party, consisting of upwards of forty persons, arrived about 7 o'clock in the evening, and, after introducing themselves, took possession of the house. All enjoyed a hearty repast, the evening was spent in a most friendly manner. Afterwards, Mr. William A. Thomson presented the Rev. gentleman with a buffalo robe in the name of the members of the church, as a mark of their esteem and good will to him, as their pastor.

On the 17th the members of West Adelaide Church, and others, met, to the number of fifty-seven persons, and having spent the night in pleasant social intercourse, at their pastor's house, they gave him an address, accompanied by a valuable and handsome cutter. The address was delivered by Mr. William Forsyth.

Both meetings were new in this section of the country, at least, to a great extent. They reflect credit on those who planned them. How much do such friendly visits tend to cement the affections of pastor and people. Since coming among them, they have presented their minister with a buggy and harness, a horse, cutter and buffalo-robe, and other valuable testimonials of their goodwill. They have also paid his half-year's salary in advance.

May the Lord bless his own word and work among this people, and may their example be followed by other churches.

INGERSOLL, ERSKINE CHURCH.—On the evening of the 16th January, the friends of the Rev. A. Cross, to the number of fifty or more, assembled at his house for the purpose of manifesting their feelings of attachment and affection to Mr. and Mrs. Cross. After spending the evening in the most agreeable manner, Mr. D. Kerr, in the name of the ladies of the congregation, presented Mrs. Cross with an affectionate address and a very substantial and valuable token of their good will. Before the party broke up, it was agreed to hold a social meeting of the congregation on the 11th of February, to do honour to the new manse now completed.

Accordingly, on the evening mentioned, the meeting was held in the Town Hall. The room was quite filled with a highly respectable and intelligent audience. After refreshments had been served, the meeting was addressed in very happy terms, by the chairman, Mr. Cross, the Rev. Messrs. Balmer, of Ayr, J. M. King, of Toronto, and J. Straith, of Ingersoll, and several others of the resident ministers. The meeting was greatly enlivened by excellent music performed by a well trained choir from Erskine Church, Woodstock, led by Mr. McWhirter. The meeting was very pleasant and successful, the proceeds about \$100, which sum will go so far as to reduce the debt on the manse.

COLLINGWOOD.—The annual tea-meeting in connection with the Presbyterian congregation in Collingwood, was held in the Town Hall on Wednesday evening, February 5th. The evening proved favorable, and the Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity, over three hundred being present. After refreshments had been served, the Mayor, George Watson, Esq., was called to the chair. Appropriate and interesting addresses were delivered by the Rev. M. Fraser of Barrie, Rev. R. Knowles of Osprey, and the resident ministers. The entertainment of the evening was greatly enhanced by the music performed by choir, and the whole company appeared to enjoy themselves thoroughly to the close. The net proceeds amounted to about \$62.