

inestimable proof of your friendship and love.

Beloved friends, I appreciate your kindness. I beg you to accept my grateful acknowledgments. May the Lord bless you, and keep you from the prevailing errors of the day. May he perpetuate in the midst of you, the pure gospel of salvation; the simplicity of Divine ordinances; the realities of christian experience; the efficiency of self denying, consecrated effort.

May the "Lord make you a thousand fold more than ye are," and after the changes of time, the turmoil and trials of life, perpetuate our christian fellowship around the Throne of God, where we shall meet to part no more.

I am Yours,
With Affection and Respect;
WM. CLARKE.

London, May 15th, 1843.

The President and Committee of the London Temperance Reformation Society also presented the following Address:

To the Reverend William Clarke, late President of the London Temperance Society.:

DEAR SIR,—As the Representatives of the London Temperance Society, we beg leave, to express our sincere regret, that you are about to leave us, perhaps for ever. And to assure you, that we cannot look back on your past career without feeling that we owe you a deep debt of gratitude, for the praiseworthy zeal which you have ever evinced to promote the benevolent desings of our Society. A society that allows no Political, no Religious feeling to influence its conduct; but marches forward in the great work of the Temperance Reformation, undeterred by the sneers of the moderation men, or the fierce howlings of the votaries of Bacchus. As an officer that has so long and so faithfully presided over an Institution that owes its very existence to your untiring exertions; your loss will be deeply felt throughout the whole extent of your former labors, and more particularly by this society.

We are aware, Sir, that you had to contend against the most powerful prejudices of mankind. No sooner had you unfurled the banner of Temperance, than one party railed against you as a wild enthusiast who sought by mere human agency to accomplish that which the Scriptures only could effect. Another party equally wise, and quite as liberal said there is too much Sectarianism, too much Religion, mixed up with your proceedings for them ever to be beneficial to the community at large.

But since by the blessing of heaven, your labors have been prospered, and a few short years have taught even your worst enemies in the Temperance cause, to acknowledge that the great ruler of the universe smiles on your exertions.

Should Providence ever permit you to return to London, your presence will be

hailed with delight by a vast majority of our Inhabitants.

Dear Sir, in now bidding you an affectionate farewell, permit us to add, that it is the fervent prayer of this Society that the best gifts of heaven may be strewn in your path, wherever, it may be, and may the virtuous partner of your choice, and the children of your youth, long live as ornaments to cheer and support you through the decline of life, and in the end meet you in heaven where all will be peace and felicity for ever.

Signed, by order of the Committee.
FREEMAN TALBOT,
President.

JOHN LOLPH LEE, }
JOHN MCKENZIE, } *Secretaries.*

REPLY.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Committee, I thank you for this marked expression of your confidence and esteem. I assure you, it will ever be regarded as among the most pleasing reminiscences of my life, that I was identified with you individually and with your Society in effort and usefulness.

I regard the Temperance cause as an important means by which God is blessing the world and preparing the way, for the universal establishment of that "Kingdom which is righteousness and peace, and joy, in the Holy Ghost."

Accept my best wishes for your individual happiness—Your domestic and social prosperity. May God, the author of every good, bless your rising Town, and may the Temperance cause continue to extend in influence and usefulness, among your families, neighbours and friends.

I am, Gentlemen,
Yours, with great respect,
WM. CLARKE.

INCIDENTS OF COTTAGE PREACHING.

MR. EDITOR,—Having been engaged a short time every day during the winter in visitation from house to house amongst the poor of this city, that I might make known to them "A Saviour who is Christ the Lord," and point them to "the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world," I have selected from my journal the two following cases, which I consider interesting, and should you deem them worthy of insertion in your valuable paper, they may be an encouragement to others to enter upon this wide but too much neglected field of Christian enterprise and benevolence.

Visited an old woman confined by sickness—and troubled in mind as well as body—she told me all was dark and dreary in the prospect of eternity before her—I enquired if she was truly convinced that she was a sinner in the sight of God, she replied: Oh, eyes, I am a sinner—a very