

The Parsonage,

Croydon, Oct. 29/97.

My dear Mr. Jones,

As the oldest Incumbent except our beloved Dean, I intended to write to you when you first came, to give you a word of welcome to this Diocese; but thinking a call upon you was better than a letter Mr. Froggart (whom you know) arranged to go with my dear wife and myself to call upon you and Mr. Jones - the day was fixed, when also Mr. Froggart was summoned home as her mother was dying, - & whilst she was absent from Croydon my own darling wife died; since my dear wife's death

on the 19th Aug. I have been ill
myself & at the gate of the grave;
I have been ill from the 23rd of
Aug., & was not able to return to
my home till last Saturday; on
Sunday last I preached for a few
minutes in the morning after an
absence of 9 Sundays. - Tho' so
late, I do wish you great success
in your most important position,
and pray that thro' the young men
you may train, you may be a great
blessing to this new country. I send

one out of the many things my darling
wife wrote, which I think Mr. Jones
will be interested in; my dear wife &
I went Home in the Jubilee Jan 7.
/87.

I took the liberty of
telegraphing to you to-day on behalf
of my Curate; his bro. has the Picton
parish & is very ill; he sent to-day to
ask my Curate to go up for Sunday;
two difficulties arose; my curate's
throat is not in a condition for 3 Services;
and, the most that I shall be able
to do on Sunday will be to preach a
short Sermon in the Morning. —

I was pleased to learn

my Curate of Knox's Success in his
last Exam.; I am, having recommended
Knox to the College, particularly
interested in him.

With very kind regards to

W. Jones & yourself

believe me Yours Very Sincerely

Samuel Fox

P. S. Owing to threatened prostration I
was in Melbourne all last June, Archdeacons
Langley & Armstrong & W. Tress are particular
friends of mine - I was delighted to hear
of you in Melbourne. S. F.

ble^d Rev. N. Jones M. A.