

## THE PASTOR'S ADDRESS

TO THE

### *Church and Congregation.*



*My Dear Friends :*

The publication of the accounts for 1889, together with a list of church members, revised to date, affords me an opportunity for saying a few words of congratulation and counsel. In the large and constant additions to our fellowship during the past year and in the greatly increased attendance at all the services, we have real cause for gratitude and encouragement. The fact that you have raised over \$4,600 in the year just closed is also matter for sincere congratulation. For these and all other proofs of the Divine favour and blessing, we should not be backward in giving thanks. I desire most heartily to express my own deep sense of indebtedness, and also to thank the Deacons and other co-workers for their unvarying sympathy and kindness.

Suffer now a word of exhortation and counsel. And first, with regard to church attendance. Greatly as our Sabbath congregations have increased, they would be still larger if our own people were more regularly in their places. The aged and infirm can rarely attend more than once a day, but for the young and strong no excuse can be made. It is needful for some to master the spirit of indifference,