

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—We, the undersigned, on behalf of the Elders, Trustees, Members and Adherents of Saint Andrew's Church of this town, desire to express our sincere and affectionate regard to you, as our Pastor. While we regret your resolution to sever your long connection with the congregation, at the same time, we rejoice to think that, during the remainder of your days, (which God grant may be many,) you will enjoy a less onerous field of labour in your native land and native parish.

We acknowledge with cheerfulness your fidelity in your Master's service, and that during the long period of thirty years, as our Pastor, your object has been the winning of souls to Christ, and we sincerely pray that in the great day of account, you may have many trophies as the fruit of your labour.

When you assumed the Pastoral charge of this congregation, we were not the large and influential body that we now are, and from the small but compact church which we then occupied, we now worship in our elegant and spacious edifice which has been erected during your ministry.

Many of those who were active and honourable members of our congregation when you came amongst us in 1849, have passed away and have gone to their rest and are now inheriting the promises, and we trust, that when we who remain, shall be called hence, that we shall leave behind us a fame similar to those who have gone before.

Many of us you have baptized and married, and in many instances, you have baptized the children of those parents whom you have baptized.

It is, therefore, with no ordinary feelings that we now must part, and in all probability we shall never again see each other in this world, but we trust that in Heaven "we shall meet each other there."

We sincerely pray that you may be long spared to work in the Master's Vineyard in your native land, with the same fidelity that you have done during your long incumbency in our midst.

To Mrs. Herdman your amiable partner, we tender our sincere regards, and hope that she may be long spared to ac-

company you through the journey of life.

To your children we desire to convey our good wishes, and trust that they may live to be a blessing to their parents and an honour to themselves.

In conclusion, and in token of the high esteem in which you have been held by the congregation, and of a conviction of duty on our part, we now present you with a cheque for One Thousand Dollars, which were unanimously voted to you at the last public meeting of the congregation.

WM. JACK,  
RODERICK MCKENZIE, } Committee.  
DONALD FRASER,

REPLY.

MY DEAR FRIENDS.—It is with no ordinary feelings that I respond to your address and become the recipient of your munificent gift. When I heard of the donation and of the hearty and unanimous vote that carried it, I was more than astonished; it was so utterly beyond my expectation. For a congregation, suddenly convened, to carry a measure like this, spontaneously and with enthusiasm is something unprecedented in Ecclesiastical Annals. It would be hypocrisy in me to deny that a minister wishes to stand well with his people and with those with whom he has been associated for thirty years; their opinion and feeling he does respect, and now that I leave after so long a connection, how comforting to know that I go with your good will and with the expression of your kindest sentiments, and how gratified at your united offering this day which speaks volumes for your liberality as well as for our connection and my comfort. Surely this day's presentation will bear fruit many days hence. It is indeed a long look back to my first labour here. When I came in 1849 seeking the good of your Zion, I was ignorant of how I was to be received and what I was to meet with, and I was without a single connection in the country. Still he who opened a door raised up kind friends and I was not long finding that I had come in an acceptable season. Those that then befriended me and with whom I took counsel ha-