

While we avow our conviction that your retirement will be a serious loss to the Colony at large, as evidenced by the high Character to which your talents and exertions have raised our principal Educational Institution, we hold it to be our grateful duty more especially to bear testimony to the ready zeal with which you have uniformly imparted to us any instruction we required, and to the urbanity displayed towards us in your official capacity as Secretary of the Board of Education.

Hoping that you may soon be restored to perfect health, and be enabled to renew your arduous and important labours,

We are, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

*Archibald McNeill  
Daniel Scott  
Donald McKinnon  
John LePage  
Patrick F. Doyle  
Wm. Dodd  
Alex. McNeill  
Robert Barry  
John Butler  
Miles McInnis  
Malcolm Darrach  
John Beaton  
Hugh Martin  
Angus McLeod*

*John Stewart  
James Douglas  
John Ross  
Peter Ross  
Alexander McLean  
Robert Robertson  
Michael McQuaid  
E. J. McCornack  
Malcolm McDonald  
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Malcolm McKenzie  
S. Farquharson  
Alex. McDonald  
A. McKenzie*

September 1st, 1847.

SAINT ELEANOR'S, September 1st, 1847.

SIR;

We, the undersigned inhabitants of St. Eleanor's, have heard with deep regret that an impaired constitution, no doubt still more debilitated by the arduous duties in which you have for some years past been so honorably and successfully engaged, obliges you to contemplate a speedy resignation of the Head Mastership of the Central Academy.

We fear the Colony must suffer by this, to us, unlooked-for event, an injury not easily to be repaired, and one that must be severely felt by the rising generation.

That your labours have been eminently successful, all admit; and we feel assured that our fellow Colonists will all unite in expressing their regret at your resignation, and wishing you a situation more suited to your impaired bodily faculties, and which will afford more ample remuneration for the exertion of your mental energies.

Wishing you every happiness and success in your future avocation.

We remain, your obedient servants,

*A. F. G. Wiggins, D.C.L.  
Rector of Richmond Parish  
Joseph Bell, Surgeon*

*W. McEwen  
Wm. Williams  
Wm. Reid*

*Samuel G.  
James C.  
Daniel G.  
W. J. T.  
George D.*

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