

ADDRESS FROM THE SESSION.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GOULD STREET
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

DEAR BRETHREN,—We, the Session, have not been accustomed to present any annual statement to you; the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church requiring that such a statement should be made rather to the Superior Court, the Presbytery; we deem it not unseasonable, however, to address to you a few words at this period of the Congregation's history.

It will be believed that we share your joy in the steady and gratifying increase of the congregation, in the extinction of the once oppressively burdensome debt, and in the liberality with which the ordinances of the gospel, and the various missionary and benevolent schemes, have been sustained during the year. We are not only glad but thankful to God who has enabled you to offer so willingly after this sort; for all things come of Him and of His own you have served Him.

We are solicitous that you should not slacken Christian efforts; however proper it may be to modify the forms in which these are put forth. The same demands will not probably be made for some time on your liberality in giving of your means; though we are anxious that the year which has witnessed the removal of our congregational burdens, should be distinguished by a marked advance in our contributions for the spread of the gospel in our Province and throughout the world; and we are gratified to learn that many of you have already begun the advancement.

We would gladly see a larger number of you engaged in *personal* effort for the good of your fellow-men.