

APPENDIX.

The humble Representation and Petition of a few Highland Settlers at Three Rivers, and on Lot 48, near Charlotte Town, Prince Edward Island, North America ; addressed to all the Friends of Christ and his Cause in Scotland, their Mother Country.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN,

ALTHOUGH we are separated from you by the great Atlantic Ocean, we can honestly say, we feel all that ardent affection for your welfare, as if we had still resided amongst you. We feel deeply interested in all your joys and sorrows, and our prayer to the God of all grace is, that he may make the former more and more to abound, and the latter to work together for your eternal advantage.

We have been greatly revived by hearing of the noble efforts you, and the inhabitants of the sister kingdoms are now making, for the extension of the Redeemer's cause in all lands and isles of the sea. We pray that the blessing from on high may accompany these efforts with abundant success, and make Great Britain the honoured instrument of extending the word of God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the utmost corners of the inhabited world. We only lament that, from the poverty of our circumstances, we cannot join you in this labour of love. Indeed, if we may be allowed to state the truth concerning the greater part of the inhabitants of this isle,—how little religious knowledge they possess,—how few their religious privileges are,—how small their pecuniary means of having these enlarged,—the immoral habits they have contracted, and their deadness and insensibility, notwithstanding they are in such a deplorable condition :—we may say, although they cannot absolutely be called Heathens, yet their situation is so destitute in all these respects, as certainly to render our isle an object of Christian commiseration and missionary effort.