

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

I have pleasure in submitting reports of our Congregational life and work for 1884 :—

### I. TRUSTEES' REPORT.

The Trustees in submitting their report for the year 1884, are gratified at being in a position to state that the financial affairs of the Church are in a satisfactory condition.

The Statement of Accounts appended shews that the balance in hand at the beginning of the year has been maintained, after meeting all current expenses.

The Church being now free from debt, the Trustees rely confidently on the exertions of the members of the congregation to keep it so. They would however respectfully call attention to the delays which take place in paying the pew rents due, which is a source of very considerable trouble to the Trustees, and not unfrequently causes embarrassment, as it does extra expense, in the administration of the financial affairs of the Church.

The property at the East end, referred to in the Trustee's last report, has not yet been disposed of ; it not having been found practicable to obtain a purchaser on anything like reasonable terms. No effort will be spared to dispose of this property, which in the best interests of the Church the Trustees think should be sold.

The present healthy condition of the finances of the Church is very much due to the exertions of the members of the Executive Committee, who have spared neither time nor trouble to advance its interests. The report of that Committee will no doubt be published at the proper time, along with other reports relating to the affairs of the congregation.

Two of the present Trustees, namely Mr. David Law and Mr. James Spier, under the constitution of the Church, retire. They are eligible for re-election at the annual meeting of the congregation, to take place to-day.

By order of the Trustees,

JOHN BEATTIE,

Secretary.

*Vestry of St. Andrew's Church, }*  
CHRISTMAS DAY, 1884.