

gratitude for his long and faithful ministry, many of the fruits of which the congregation is still enjoying, and of heartily wishing him many years yet of well-earned rest.

And they earnestly hope and pray that He who has brought him to this Day of Jubilee may still strengthen and comfort him and bless such further service as he may be able in the good Providence of God to render to the Church of Christ.

Along with this expression of continued respect and esteem for their late Pastor, the Kirk-Session desire to convey to Mrs. JENKINS a sense of their grateful recollection and appreciation of her self-denying efforts, to promote the best interests of the congregation.

Dr. Jenkins acknowledged receipt of a copy of this resolution in a letter to Mr. Barclay, dated from Upper Norwood, London, 29th December, 1887, as follows :

DEAR MR. MODERATOR.

Convey to my Brethren, the Elders of St. Paul's, and accept for yourself, the assurance of my gratitude for the kindly words which have lately reached me, on occasion both of the Jubilee of my ministry, and of my late visit to Montreal.

The value of these words is greatly enhanced by the beauty and taste of the illumination by which they are adorned. As a work of art I appreciate the Kirk-Session's thoughtful and generous minute ; but much more as an evidence of the regard in which I am held by my former fellow-labourers in the work and oversight of the congregation.

Mrs. Jenkins desires me to thank the members of the Kirk-Session for their generous reference to her own brief but happy connection with the congregation.

With earnest wishes that the coming year may be a year of great and abiding prosperity both personally and in the congregation.

I am,

My dear Moderator,

Ever faithfully yours,

JOHN JENKINS.

The Kirk-Session desire, before closing, as well for themselves as in behalf of the entire congregation, to express their thankfulness that the relationship of the pastor and people, which at one time in the course of the year, appeared to be jeopardized by tempting overtures from a distant colony, remain undisturbed. Mr. Barclay's declinature of the call from Melbourne affords good evidence of his esteem for his congregation and of the satisfaction he has in continuing his ministrations among us.

In name and behalf of the Kirk-Session,

THOMAS A. GIBSON,

*Session Clerk*

St. Paul's Church,

31st December, 1887.