

Will the following clink for a little small change ?

He that writes with little pain -
 May try for you a theme again ;
 But he that writes against the grain
 Will never try to write again.

It will never do to close with home-spun doggerel.
 That the Kincardine Mechanics' Institute may prosper
 is my earnest prayer. Let its motto be, "*Esto perpetua.*"

Lives of great men all remind us
 We can make our lives sublime,
 And, departing, leave behind us
 Footprints on the sands of time ;

Footprints that perhaps another,
 Sailing o'er life's solemn main,
 A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,
 Seeing, shall take heart again.

Let us, then, be up and doing,
 With a heart for any fate ;
 Still achieving, still pursuing,
 Learn to labour and to wait.
