

ADDRESS FROM THE SESSION.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GOULD STREET PRESBY-
TERIAN CHURCH.

DEAR BRETHREN,—Another year has passed since we formerly addressed you in this manner. In many respects it has been to you and to us a year singularly marked by tokens of God's goodness, and not least in respect of the comparative exemption from the stroke of death, which we have enjoyed throughout it. It is surely a striking circumstance, one calling for thankful acknowledgement to Him who upholds us in life, that while only two, or at most three children connected with the congregation have died since the date of our last address, not one of the large number of members in full communion have been removed by death. We can scarcely expect to witness the recurrence, during the present, or indeed during any coming year, of a circumstance like this. That on which we have entered will, in all likelihood, bring the period of earthly service to a close in the case of some of us. For any such, may it also usher in the season of rest from toil, and of gracious reward with Christ !

Reference was made in our former address to you of the intention of opening a Sabbath School, under the superintendence of the Session in the North Eastern district of the city, for the desirable formation of some association by the young men of the congregation, for the purpose of either promoting their own spiritual advancement, or of securing concerted action for the good of others, and also, to the propriety of an addition being made to the eldership among us. It is pleasing to have to state that these proposals have all been carried out to some extent.

A school has now been in operation for three months in rooms on Seaton street, kindly furnished by a member of the congregation, and though the attendance is not yet large, it is in-