

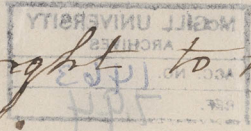
Wm Geddes  
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E. Melbourne, April 1/2

Dear Sir William

Allow me to thank  
sincerely for your loving  
contributions to the memory  
of my dear husband, I am  
grateful to think that his  
memory is so kindly cherished  
in our land. Mr Missionary  
was ever more devoted to his  
work or more deeply interested  
in the conversion of the people  
among whom his lot was cast.  
Many thanks for your kind  
words about myself, but  
my dear friend you have  
said much more than  
I deserve. I often think  
that I did not work up





as earnestly as I ought to have done.

Your kind letter, <sup>brings</sup> to mind many recollections of bygone days and dear friends, many of whom have gone to the better Land, where we shall soon follow them. It is quite ready to leave this world with all its temptations and cares, for that better Land where there is neither sin or sorrow, I am rejoiced to see that the interest in Foreign Missions is increasing in Canada. The interest is not extending so much here. Dr. Patton concentrates his interest to the New Hebrides. My dear husband, looked



forward to extending the  
work to other groups of  
islands, but Dr. R. collects the  
money and can dictate  
It is to say I think that the  
church has collected so much  
money for their missions  
in other countries, that now  
they are very much in debt,  
and any people will not  
give if they know that money  
can be got elsewhere  
There is much difference of  
opinion about getting another  
mission vessel, I think that  
the the majority in the  
different Colonial churches  
are against it, a vessel  
suitable for this work, would  
be too costly. And the older  
missionaries prefer the

present service  
I am thankful to say  
that I too enjoy fairly  
good health and am  
still able to do some  
work for the Master.  
My youngest daughter is  
still with me, and we  
I am are very thankful  
for all the comforts we  
enjoy.

May God be with  
you and dear Lady Druce  
through the remainder  
of your sojourn here is  
the prayer of your  
Aunt friend

Respectfully  
P. S. Will forward photo by  
next mail. Would like  
have yours if you wish.