

FIFTY YEARS

IN THE

LOMBARD STREET

Central Presbyterian Church

BY

ELDER ROBERT JONES

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my color. It seems to me I would give almost anything to see one of my sisters or brothers in Christ. But God is good to me, I find kind sisters and brothers, though of another color. I went to church last Sabbath with a Mrs. Edwards, and through her I got an introduction to her minister, who will be of service to me. She is a fine lady of good address, and stands high in the community, was not ashamed of me, took my arm, and nothing was thought of it—none of that cruel prejudice here. I dine with several merchants to-day. A gentleman from Manchester called on me this evening. I am to dine at their boarding house, and they are to take me to visit some of their friends. I mention these things to let you know that a colored man, if respectful, is treated as a man. I would not take a thousand dollars for the testimonials I shall bring home if spared. I would like to see you all. Pray for me, and go on and finish the church as soon as you can. I am to preach in one of the largest churches here three times next week, and assist in the Lord's Supper.

Your brother in Christ,

S. H. GLOUCESTER.

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*Edinburgh, Scotland, June 1, 1847.*

DEAR BRETHREN:—This leaves me in this place. Well, I came here suddenly to meet the General

Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, with a view of engaging the ministers in my case. I attended the May meetings in London, and succeeded by aid of Rev. John Angel James. I have better prospects now than since I left. I am glad to know you are getting on well. I hope the Lord will keep you in peace and love. You must pray for me. Be contented and patient; the work is hard, but I still trust in God; may you all do the same. I am going to Glasgow this evening to meet the Presbytery, and get them to move in my case. Give my love to all the congregation. They must think it neglect my not writing to them. I never have rest or an idle moment. You have got to preach without written sermons, so I have to study more than ever. I hope it will do me good.

Your Brother in Christ,  
S. H. GLOUCESTER.

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*Glasgow, Scotland, June 2, 1847.*

BROTHERS BROWN AND JONES.

DEAR BRETHREN:—This is merely to say to you both, keep good hearts, and attend faithfully to your duties, and pray for me. My love to the people. Tell them never to cease praying for me and I will do all I can, and the best I can. Don't fail to have the sacrament on the second Sab-