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It will be seen from the *Abstract of Proceedings* that Mr. Alexander M'Lean retired in 1938 from the Auditorship, an office which he had held for more than twenty years. It is fitting that the Council should place on record the Society's grateful recognition of Mr. M'Lean's valuable services during this long period.

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