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Mr McKay.

Dear Sir,—On May 2nd of last year I chose this pair of "Zealandia" boots from the general stock in the City Boot Palace.

I wore them frequently about Dunedin during the following six months, and then almost daily from November 2 till January 27 (86 days) for 1,050 miles, walking over the interior of Otago, crossing a score of mountain ranges.

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Yours faithfully,

ALEX. DON,  
Chinese Missionary.

Dunedin, February 3, 1892.

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