

than it now is and involved more sacrifice to pay subscriptions than at present.

Mr. William Brooks was noted for being a liberal contributor towards the erection of both church edifices and to the support of the gospel and all charitable and religious efforts. A constant attendant at all religious services and hospitable in the extreme to all who needed hospitality. In fact, he kept open house for ministers and the agents of the various religious organizations who had occasion to visit Sherbrooke while he remained here.

His brother, Charles Brooks, exercised a similar hospitality in Lennoxville. The weekly prayer meeting in connection with the church was held in Mr. Samuel Brooks' House till his death, and then was held in Mr. Wm. Brooks' dining-room till the vestry was ready for use.

The Church has from time to time since its formation received many valuable additions to its ranks from sister churches. I allude to a few of the more prominent with whom I was best acquainted.

Deacon William Arms and family removed from Stanstead to Sherbrooke in the year 1838. Mr. Arms was here most of the time for a year previous to moving his family, having business relations with Capt. Alba Brown which required his presence here. Mr. Arms, who had been a deacon of the Congregational Church in Stanstead, on his coming permanently to reside here was chosen as one of the deacons of this church, which office he filled till his death in 1853. He was also superintendent of the Sunday School for the same period. These offices he filled with great zeal and efficiency. Was a constant attendant at prayer meetings and all religious services connected with the church, and was much esteemed by his fellow church members and the general public.

Mrs. William Arms was noted for her hospitality and a quiet efficiency in the discharge of her various duties, making no noise about what she did but always ready for every good word and work.

Deacon John S. Sanborn came to Sherbrooke about the year 1843 from Hanover, N. H., after completing his univers-