

## INDUCTION OF THE REV. HENRY ARNOTT, M. A.

The following is reprinted from "The Dalkeith Advertiser," under date of February 2nd, and will be of interest to many of our readers, who remember the Rev. Mr. Arnott, when pastor of St. James' Presbyterian Church here, during the years 1903-1906.

The vacancy in Newbattle United Free Church, caused through the transference of the Rev. J. N. Macpherson to Elgin, has been happily terminated by the settlement of the Rev. Henry Arnott, M. A., Alva West U. F. Church, in the charge. Rev. Mr. Arnott's induction took place on Wednesday last, when the proceedings were followed with keen interest by a large gathering of members of the congregation and friends. There was also a good turnout of members of the Dalkeith Presbytery.

During the earlier part of the proceedings the Rev. A. Renshaw MacKay, Temple, officiated, and preached an eloquent sermon from Galatians 3, v. 1. Thereafter the Rev. Robert T. Jack, Penicuik, who acted as Moderator, ascended the pulpit, and read a narrative of the steps leading up to the induction. The members of the congregation, by holding up their right hands, signified their adherence to the call to Rev. Mr. Arnott, and promised to give him all dutiful respect, encouragement, and obedience, and undertook to contribute heartily to the maintenance of the Christian ministry and the furtherance of the gospel. Rev. Mr. Arnott having indicated his adherence to the acceptance of the call, the Moderator engaged in prayer, and there after declared Mr. Arnott to be inducted to the pastoral charge of the congregation, and commended him to the grace of God in the discharge of all his duties as minister of the gospel. The members of the Presbytery then extended the right hand of fellowship to the newly inducted minister.

Addressing the members of the congregation and Rev. Mr. Arnott, the Moderator said Mr. Arnott had had many years of experience in the work of the Church of Christ, and he (Mr. Jack) felt it would be presumption on his part to begin to lay down any rules for his guidance.

He urged Mr. Arnott to be true to himself; to be true to his God, who looked upon the work of His creation and found 'all to be

very good. With regard to the congregation, the Moderator said, of course, they all knew that there was nothing of greater importance than a full church. How were they going to have full pews lined up from end to end Sabbath after Sabbath by eager and anxious listeners? He would have them remember that it did not depend altogether on their minister. Minister and congregation were a working organization, and in order to have a successful church there must be team work. The team work must start at their own firesides. He wanted the fathers and mothers to take their children in hand and train them up in going to the Sabbath School and in learning the elements of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ. Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it. Let the deacons and managers and elders recognize that they had a share in the building up of the Newbattle congregation. In conclusion, he urged young and old alike to throw their personal efforts into their support of their minister and if they did so in the spirit of their Lord, Jesus Christ, their minister might well be congratulated on his settlement in their midst.

At the close of the service the congregation were afforded an opportunity of shaking hands with their new pastor.

### The Induction Tea

Following the induction a large and representative company assembled in the Church Hall for tea, which was capably served by a band of lady workers. The Rev. Robert Inglis, M. A., Ford, who acted as Interim Moderator during the vacancy, occupied the chair. Mr. James Taylor, Session Clerk, at the outset, read the following telegram from the Rev. J. N. Macpherson:—"Prosperity and happiness to minister and people.—Macpherson."

After the loyal toasts had been honoured, the Chairman, in proposing the health of Mr. Arnott, said he congratulated both Mr. Arnott and the congregation of Newbattle. If Mr. Arnott had got a good congregation, then the congregation had got a good minister. Since he came to Ford practically one-half of the members of the Dalkeith Presbytery had gone off elsewhere, so that other Presbyteries evidently recognized that they had distinguished men, and had taken them away. Mr. Arnott had gained much experience in varied fields—experience which would stand him in good stead in Newbattle. He came as a proved man. There was no doubt of the choice of the congregation when they met to elect a minister.

The toast was cordially pledged.

In reply, Mr. Arnott said he did not realize he was such a tremendous fellow until that day. (Laughter.) He really was a very ordinary individual. All he could say for himself was that he had endeavored to do what work he undertook with what vigour and power he possessed. He felt that if each in his appointed place did what he could and did it in

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all sincerity and with devotion there would be no trouble about the results. He thought they could leave that with all safety in higher hands. He thanked them for their very cordial welcome and their very kind wishes, and he hoped that in the days to come he would at least do something to fulfil the high expectations they had formed of him. (Applause.)

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There was a large turnout of the members of the congregation at the evening meeting, the chair being occupied by the Rev. Robert Inglis.

After tea had been served, the Chairman, in his opening remarks, congratulated the congregation most heartily on having obtained Mr. Arnott as their minister. At the night of his election he was persuaded that the congregation had acted very wisely. Mr. Arnott had a splendid congregation, a congregation that would call for the very best that was in a man, and there was a great wide field outside which was a challenge.

In making the presentation of the gown to the new minister, Mr. Jas. Taylor said Mr. Arnott was the choice of the congregation, and he asked him to accept the robe which the ladies of the congregation had provided. He believed Mr. Arnott would wear it with honor and would add dignity to it. (Applause.)

Mrs. Pryde, the Bryans, an old and highly respected member of the Church, then stepped forward, amid loud applause, and gracefully robed Mr. Arnott, who cordially shook hands with her.

On rising to speak Mr. Arnott received a great ovation. At the outset of his remarks he thanked Mrs. Pryde for the handsome garment with which she had kindly clothed him. He thanked those whom Mrs. Pryde represented—the ladies of the congregation—for the very kind feeling which prompted them to procure the robe, and he would like to feel on Sundays as he went into the pulpit that he was clothed with those warm wishes which she had expressed when she shook his hand and said—"Welcome to Newbattle." He also tendered his thanks to the congregation for the honour they had conferred upon him and the confidence they had displayed in him in calling him to be their minister. They had both taken very solemn vows that day. The pledges given by one who assumed office in the holy ministry were the vows taken by those who assumed the responsibility of calling a given preacher to be their minister. He would like to feel, and he might say he had very good hope in feeling, that it was not a question of Mr. Arnott entering upon a new phase of his ministry but of the congregation of Newbattle, in conjunction with Mr. Arnott, entering upon a new phase of the joint ministry of the congregation and the minister. The congregation had a very noble record behind them. They had been ministered unto in the past by very devoted, and in their own special way, very able ministers of Christ. One heard with great satisfaction of the apostolic zeal of the minister who was largely responsible for the formation of the

congregation, viz. the late Rev. Mr. Hardie. (Applause). They had heard that day a good deal about a great minister and a successful minister. He was sure it was their wish—it was his wish—that in the years to come this joint ministry which began that day should be in the best sense of the word both a great minister and a successful ministry. It would be, it could not but be, provided they went forward, resolved that they should not fail in their parts, i. e., he, in his sphere attempting to be a faithful minister of Christ, striving to prove himself worthy of the confidence they had displayed in him in calling him to be their minister; and they, on their part, striving to implement the pledges they had assumed that day. There was another factor which went to the making of a successful ministry. It needed a faithful God. On that point they had no doubt, for "faithful is He who called you and He will be with you always" (Applause).

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach and two children were the guests of the former's mother at the

Miss Lydia Tozer spent Monday with Mrs. Elvin Tozer.

Miss Lottie Holmes who is in Newbattle for the winter was home for a few days last week.

Miss Kathleen Dunnet of Whitneyville was a visitor here on Friday and Saturday.

Quite a number of young folks enjoyed a pleasant evening on Pan-cake night at Miss Edith Tozer's home. Dancing and music being the chief amusements.



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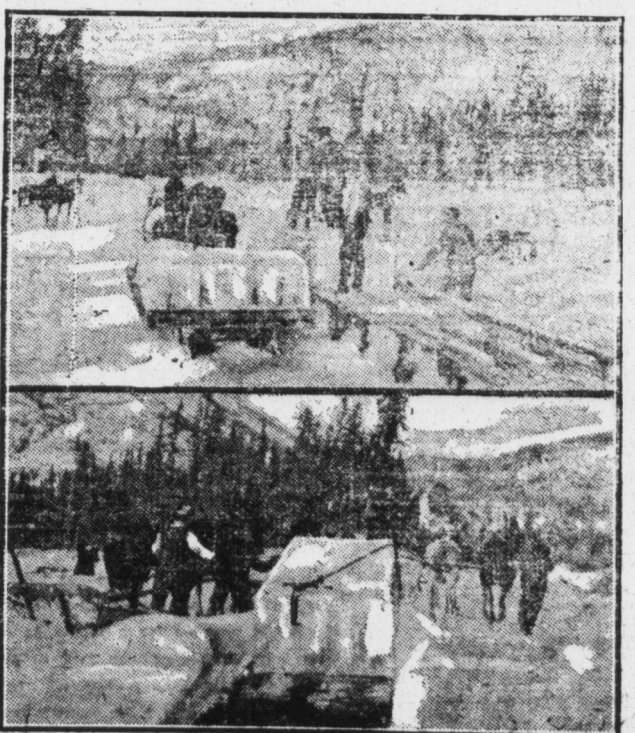
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