

## THE REVEREND DAVIDSON MACDONALD, M.D.

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**I**N the winter of 1858, in a schoolhouse near the Carrying Place in the County of Prince Edward, in an oldtime revival service, there was born into the Kingdom of God a young man from the neighboring village named Davidson Macdonald. He was then in the twenty-first year of his age, born of Scottish parents, a young man of excellent character and promising ability. His early education had been solid and thorough, first in the public school and then in the Grammar School of the town of Picton, not far from his home, where he was prepared for the examinations required for his future studies in Theology and in Arts and Medicine in the University. The minister conducting the service was the Rev. Arthur Browning, an ardent revivalist, and later one of the missionary founders of Methodism on the Pacific coast. The foundations of a Christian experience and life had been well and truly laid by the young man's early religious training, and at that time the workers in revival services were never satisfied until they had led the awakened souls out to a definite assurance of sins forgiven.