

Messrs. David Freize and David Lockart, a Methodist, taking part. The first Sabbath School had Mr. Adam Roy, sr., as its first and for a time only teacher. Mr. Douglas, father of the late Captains James and William, became one of his first helpers. He had another in Miss Eliza Freize, who in coming to his assistance became the first lady in East Hants to engage in Sunday School work. The late Rev. Dr. James Bayne, of Pictou, was while teaching here some sixty-two years ago, one of Mr. Roy's assistants.

True there were during the years covered by the ministry of Mr. Crowe, times when "for the divisions of Reuben there were great searchings of heart." Even Paul and Peter and Barnabas did not always see eye to eye though who could doubt the genuineness of each and their mutual interest in all that belonged to the best welfare of the Master's Kingdom.

Concerning Mr. Crowe as a preacher, the late Rev. Dr. McCulloch's words were: "He preached a capital sermon. I could sit down and listen with pleasure to him for an hour." Concerning him as a man the late Rev. Ebenezer Ross worded the sentiments of all we have heard speak of him in saying, "Why he was just a grand old man."

Rev. Dr. Currie on whose head Mr. Crowe's hand was the first placed at his ordination, and who for a dozen years shared with Mr. Crowe the designation of minister of Maitland and Noel, has only had good to say of him as a man and as a minister.

Father Crowe was gathered to his fathers on the 11th day of September, 1869, in the eighty-third year of his age and the fifty-fifth of his ministry. On the stones that mark the resting places of the earthly tabernacles of the Rev. Alexander Dick, and of the Rev. Thomas Stuart Crowe, the words of holy writ are quoted the same on both "The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance."

I only hope that we who to-day verify that promise concerning them, may each in some measure be found worthy in days yet to come of being remembered with them, as having done something to carry on the work they so well began.

The representatives of the years succeeding those covered by the pastorate of Rev. Thomas S. Crowe are here to-day.