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ST. JOHN PRESBYTERIANISM.

Historical Paper By John Willet, of St. John Presbytery,

Read in St. David's Church Last Week By the Writer-Facts and Figures of Great Interest-The Essence of Old Records.

The Rev. John McMillan, of Ballachulish and afterwards of Cardross, and ready worked wonders by subscribing land, to this country. On Thursday 2850, and do much towards the coninteresting and enthusiantia. Dundee, were sent by the disruption- to make payments on account of the interesting and enthusiastic meeting have to be credited for such beneficence vas held in the hall of the Mechanics' and liberality arises from the fact that Institute. The object of the meeting a most disasterous fire occurred was to diffuse among the auditors, some in this city during the year 1849, and information concerning the state and the consequent loss that many of the prospects of the Free Church of Scot-congregation suffered. With such and Addresses of the most pluck and energy which they manianimating and thrilling nature were fested under such circumstances they delivered by these gentlemen, who were received aid of and from listened to with marked and deep at-the christian churches of every denominatention. The address of the Rev. Pat-tion abroad, actuated as they were by

they maintained was the cause of Edward Charters and John Wilson. righteousness and truth; and that the On the 25th August, 1846, Rev. Mr. ree Church of Scotland was the true Halkett was compelled to give in his church of the people of that land and resignation as pastor of St. Andrew's state of things and the agitation al- the trustees gave him six months' leave ready commenced, on the 18th day of of absence. He returned to Scotland, July, 1845, at Fredericton, there appear and while absent there, on the 1st ed two ministers, the Rev. John Turn- June, 1847, received and accepted the bull and Rev. Andrew Donald. These gentlemen along with Rev. Andrew tevens (brother of Judge Stevens, of of August, 1847, asked the presbyters St. Stephen, N. B.) were stationed min- to release him from his charge and sters in New Brunswick: Mr. Turnbull at Blackville and Nelson, Miramichi; Andrew Stevens, at Saint Stephens and Saint James and Andrew Donald at ed vacant on the 15th August, 1847. Hammond River, Norton, and Salt Springs, Kings county. These gentlemen had decided and agreed, being convinced as they felt, to abandon all Hunter, until the induction of the Reconnection with the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Scotland and as- of July, 1849. Mr. Donald arrived in igned their reasons for their course of action. They formed a new presbytery and constituted themselves into the Presbytery of New Brunswick ad- til February, 1870, when having asked the Rev. Robert Irvine, pastor of the in this city on the 12th day of Febru-Saint John Presbyterian church was ary, 1870, and was received by the prespresent, and also the Rev. John Irvine, bytery on the 9th March of the same who presented his commission from the secretary the Church of Scotland (although the Free Church of Scotland (although May 30, 1851. On the 3rd July, 1851, he was an Irishman), and was admitted Rev. William Ferrie was received by nd taken under the care of this new presbytery. Not only the Colonial of the Free Church of Scot-Presbyterian Church in Ireland took a of August, 1851, and continued his lao this province; the first missionaries and consciences of the people. At this time the demand of the fields in this province was so great, an imperative duty was cast on the presbytery to give supply and a Macedonian cry went out to the churches at home to supply preachers. In 1846, in the month of August, the presbytery cordially ap-proved of the general effort, or object of training a native ministry, but the further consideration was deferred until an agreement was arrived at be ween the Synod of Nova Scotia and the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland, as to the site of the college. A satisfactory solution of this question being at length secured,

From the meeting in the Mechanics Institute held on the 13th March, 1845, until the first of June, in the year 1848, a body of people professing Presbyter-ian faith and government, a great many of them residing in the then Parish of Portland (now the North portion of the city), hired ministered unto by different clergymen gregation became the sixth, or othersent out by the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland. Among those who ministered unto them were Rev. Dr. Burns who ministered to ary and was called to the pastorate, the Rev. Dr. Burns a connection of the Saint Andrew's in 1817. This gentleman organized them into a congregation in the year 1848. The Rev. John n first preached to them on the first Sabbath in December, being the nd day of that month, and he continued as their pastor. Under his serenced the agitation for the building of the new church, which was erected on the present site of Saint David's church, Sydney street. On the 12th April, 1849, the moderator, Rev. Robert Irvine, moderated in a call signed by 203 adherents of the Free Church of Scotland in fayor of Rev. John Thomson, M. A. Phis call was ented to the presbytery on the 13th of June, 1849; and being accepted, he inducted on the 16th of August, the first minister of the fourth-in our reckoning-Presbyterian church in St. John. For some time this new church was known as the Fourth Presbyterian church, but it did not get its present "Saint David's" until the year Ing was 100 feet deep and 56 feet wide, galleries, capable of accommodatto be 150 feet high; higheer than the Gas house chimney, and could be seen a great distance off. The grounds were enclosed with a two foot thick and eight feet high stone wall. This wall alone cost £200, but had been erected at the time the site was bought by the

the general scheme was cordially re-

commended to the people's liberality.

general treasurer.

William Parks, Esq., was appointed

dertook this extra work besides their own regular work, and the people duly appreciated their efforts. In fact, throughout the whole province this

Continued from last Wednesdry.) stood back from the street line abou twenty feet. The congregation had alamong themselves and friends sufficient Miller was peculiarly elo- motives and principles in the workings quent and felicitous and drew forth and order of Prividence. The first bursts of applause. and order of Providence. The first The whole proceedings tended to pro-duce the deep conviction that the cause LL. D., and the first deacons were In consequence of this new church, on account of ill-health, but presentation to the first charge of the parish of Brecklen, and on the 11th day congregation. Presbytery agreed to translate to the parish of Brecklen, Scotland, and this church was declar

The Rev. Mr. Stewart supplied Saint Andrew's church and also Rev. Mr. verend William Donald, on the 10th day St. John in May, 1849. Mr. Donald continued in the active duties of the ministry of Saint Andrew's church unhering to the Westminster standards and got permission to have an assist-At this meeting of the new presbytery ant. Rev. Robert J. Cameron arrived who presented his commission from the year. Rev. Mr. Thomson resigned secretary of the Colonial Committee of his charge of Saint David's church on presbytery, and a call having been presented to him from Saint David's church, he accepted same and was inland, but the General Assembly of the ducted to that charge on the 7th day lively and most favorable interest in the infant cause of Presbyterianism in this province. At first the Irish lo, New York, 88 years of age. Dr. Presbyterian Church sent the first men Robert Irvine resigned his charge of Saint John's Presbyterian church in being the Rev. Messrs. Law and Millen 1853, and at a meeting of Saint John efforts were made to give as much supply to the people as possible. Each a call was presented from that church ter was enjoined to devote during to Rev. James Bennett, which was acthe season at least one diet to the sub-ject of fellowship meetings in each of In the account we have followed so far the workings of Presbyterians on the eastern side of the harbor of Saint John, but what of the western side? From 1845 until the year 1854, the Presbyterian families on the west side enjoyed the ministrations of Reverend John Irvine, already referred to, and others, and on the 13th day of September. 1854, a call was presented from Carleten congregation to presbytery in favor of the Rev. James Baird, who came out from the colonial committee of the Church of Ireland, and he having accepted the same was, inducted as pastor on the 27th September of that This congregation became the sixth Presbyterian church in Saint

John - including the Covenanters' hurch. On the 12th September, 1855, 83 ersons, purporting to be members and adherents of Saint John's Presbyterian church memorialized presby-tery praying to be erected into a new congregation in connection with the Saint John presbytery, and desiring after organization, ministerial support from presbytery. The petition was granted and petitioners were resolved into a new congregation. This conwise the seventh, Presbyterian church in Saint John and is known as Calvin church. The Reverend William Alves came out from Scotland as a missionhe accepting, was estained and induc-ted on the 7th day of December, 1855. He demitted his charge on the 26th November, 1867, and went to New Zealand, where he died at Caversham, near Dunoedin, on the 1st February 1873. Calvin church was the first charge Mr. Alves had. Cordial relationship existed between pastor and people, but inadequate support and a feeling that a change should take place in the pastorate, were the unly reasons assigned for the step. In 1855 and for some time afterwards, the Presbyterian churches in this city went along smoothly in their work, and all appeared to be doing good work, that was telling upon the community, and a fair prospect was in view for the material and spiritual growth of the denomination. Missionary work was engaged in, engrossing the attention of the different Presbyterian ministers of the presbyteries in New Brunswick and in the city. 1851. The corner stone of the new they were devoting themselves to the church was laid by the then up-building of the cause of Christ r of Saint John, the late and the strengthening of the cords Robert Duncan Wilmot, on of Presbyterianism. Supply was giv-Duncan Wilmot, on of Presbyterianism. Supply was giv-of the 16th of en by the city ministers regularly to the morning of the 16th of en by the city ministers regularly the August, 1849. The presbytery, as a the rural districts and particularly the body, the mayor of Saint John and section of country lying around the prominent civic officials were present city from Pisarinco to Saint with the congregation and their friends on this eventful occasion. The building was 100 feet deep and 56 feet wide, Quaco were erected into a mission sta-tion, Red Head, Micpeck and Black River into another, and Pisarinco in connection with Musquash, Lepreaux and Dipper Harbor into another. The Presbyterian ministers took charge of these districts and would visit and supisters of those days cheerfully un-

In 1859, the pastor of Saint Andrew's church (Dr. Donald) had been long cherishing a mission station at Rothesay, distant from Saint John about nine miles. This field was re-moved a considerable distance from any place of worship. He first conducted services at the railway station house, but in 1861 he had got a very neat and commodious church built at Rothesay, principally through contributions of the members of that church. In the summer time, from May until November, he gave them afternoon supply three times a month. This entailed on him an amount of labor which he was no longer able to sustain, besides he felt that personal superintendance at such a distance was almost an impossibility. During the winter season the service had to be discontinued He asked for a missionary for Rothesay and adjacent districts, where there would be ample room for the labors of an active and devoted missionary. In 1864, on the 12th of October, the Rev. Dr. Donald was authorized to establish a mission in Portland, Saint John, and he asked for a missionary or catechist for that field. This application was received by the mother church and, being acted on, was successful. The Reverend George J. Cale was appointed. He arrived at Saint John 13th April, 1865. He was a New Brunswicker, a native of Chatham, Miramichi, a graduate of Queen's College. Kingston, and he took a post graduate course at Edinburgh. He was licensed by the presbytery of Inverary, and was appointed to Rothesay and Portland on the 12th of October. On the same day, Rev. Drs. Brooke, Donald and P. Keay were appointed a committee to correspond with the commissioners of Saint Stephen's church fund, with a view to obtain amending legislation so as to allow a church to be built out of this fund beyond the limits of the city of Saint John. At an adjourned meeting of presbytery held at Fredericton on the 12th May, 1865, the clerk (Dr. Donald) reported that he

had communicated with the colonial committee of the mether church in land and Rothesay and that the committee appointed to confer with the oners had not had an oppor tunity of so conferring, but requested that they be continued with the addition of Mr. Caie. On the 9th August this committee reported that the trustees of Saint Stephen's church fund would not give up the money if the church were to be erected in Portland, or anywhere outside the limits of Saint John. On the 6th June, 1866, Mr. Cale was ordained by presbytery at Fredericton. He continued laboring in Portland and Rothesay, the congregation at Portland worshipping in Temperance Hall, Simonds street. The congregation continuing to grow rapidly, a desire was manifested for a church, and another effort was made to utilize Saint Stephen's church fund. After some parleying and many conferences, it appeared possible that church might be so situated as to gregation same evening. be within the limits of the city and yet answer the requirements of the residents of Portland. In such case this fund might be available. At this time the investment amounted to something over \$5,000. With this money obances, a good prospect appeared to have a church at a very moderate cost.

Portland, was purchased from Rebert F. Hazen for \$3,000, and on the 28th May, 1867, the first sod was cut and turned for the foundation of New Saint Stephen's Church. The building was commenced on the 24th June and on the 25th July, the foundation stone was laid with masonic honors. The order of Free Masons turned out in full force with band playing and banner flying. To describe the ceremony at length would be tiresome, although it certainly would be interesting. While the building was being pushed forward to completion, steps were taken by the congregation to call the Rev. George J. Cale. The call was pres to presbytery on the 25th August, 1868, signed by 49 members and individuals This call was, however, set aside as ot being regular, but it was taken by presbytery as indicating a desire of should moderate in a call to Mr. Cate. In the meantime, presbytery authorized Mr. Cale to transfer his services from the Temperance Hall to the new 1874, Mr. Cale, owing to prolonged illchurch with the permission of the commissioners when in a fit state to be occupied; further authorized Mr. Caie to take steps for dispensing the commun ion and form a session and direct the session of Saint Andrew's church to appoint two or three of their members o act as assessors with Mr. Caie and form an interim session. The church was opened on the 13th September 1868, by Rev. Dr. Brooke in the morning and Rev. Mr. Grant (then Dr. Grant), then of Saint Matthew's church, Halifax, preaching in the afternoon from the text, Numbers 14:21: 'As truly as I live all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord;" and in the evening from Acts 20:35:
"It is more blessed to give than to On the 3rd July, 1869, a call receive. was laid before presbytery in favor of the Rev. Mr. Cale, at a salary of \$1,000, and , being sustained, was inducted o the 22nd July. Rev. P. Keay, of Saint Andrew's, Charlotte County, me-Andrew's, Charlotte derator of presbytery, 1 derator of presbytery, 50 ed from Acts 20:28. Mr. Cale was supplying Portland and Rothsay, but the duties of super-vising a large Sabbath school of near-

ly 260 scholars demanded his sole attention. Another and successful effort was made to secure a missionary for Rothesay, and as the health of Rev. Dr. Donald was somewhat impaired by devoted service to his church, an assistant might also be provided. Reverend Robert J. Cameron arrived in this city on the 12th February, 1870, and he appearing before presbytery on the 9th March, was received. He assisted Dr. Donald and supplied Rothesay until 1871, when our fine church there was sold at public auction at Chubb's Corner for \$1,200 under a dehe site was bought by the they had to do pioneer missionary cretal order of the supreme court in them of this pleasure, for when service mmittee. The building work—there were no catechist students equity to satisfy the claim of John was out this portion of the family

Robertson, and from this time this church became the property of the Episcopalians of that district, and was shortly afterwards duly consecrated by this Lordship Bishop Medley. We strange to say, those churches that did not lose our hold on Rothesay as had agreed to the change and had para field of labor, and the people there ticipated in the movement were available for that night. On the 20th at once set about and erected a new at once set about and erected a new hall there, in which public service is fire. Saint Andrew's and Saint David's and the Reformed Presbyterian were While we have been following a con- the only Presbyterian churches burnt, but they allowed no interruption en's, we will now have to recede for a their service. They jointly assemble ew years. We find that while Saint in the Mechanics' Institute for worship Saint David's church was re-opene

Principal Dr Knight of Halifax, and

terest among Presbyterians until June

20, 1881, when Dr. Waters resigned the

pastorate of Saint - David's church

which was accepted the 12th July of

In Saint John Presbyterian church

Dr. Bennett retired from the pastorate

pastor, Rev. J. A. Morison, Ph. D.,

the first.

ervative history of New Saint Steph-John pulpit is occupied, it is the only ontinuous occupancy. Changes had had been effected in Saint Andrew's. Saint David's, Calvin and Carleton. In Saint Andrew's, Dr. Donald resigned on March, 1879. No great change the charge of that congregation, which was accepted. The pulpit was declar ed vacant on the 22nd January, 1871, Peter Melville preaching in the morning and Rev. Mr. Caje in the evening Dr. Donald died February 20, 1871. On the 24th May, presbytery moderated in a call to Rev. Robert J. Cameron, who was elected, and at a presbytery meeting held the same evening this call was sustained and he was inducted on the 8th June, 1871, Dr. Brooke

In Saint David's church, Rev. Mr. Ferrie resigned his charge on the 14th April, 1861, this congregation being supplied by Rev. Neil McKay and othants, and, having accepted, he was incontinued pastor until he resigned, on the 4th February 1873.

In Calvin church Rev. Mr. Alves having resigned on the 26th November, 1867 but being appointed moderator of session and supplying from time to time along with Messrs. Thomas Cumming, D. S. Gordon, J. H. Chase. 29th May of same year. He moderated in a call to Rev. Mr. Cumming on the 16th September, 1867, which he declined. Again this congregation moderated in a call in favor of Rev. Samuel Houston on the 15th December, 1868, he being a licentiate of the Presbytery of Ballymena, and having preached. This call was presented to Presbytery on the 30th December, and being sustained and accepted, he was ordained on the 18th January, 1869, and inducted on the 19th January in

the same year. In Carleton church, West End, on the 10th October, 1867, the Rev. Mr. James Baird resigned his charge, alleging as a reason for such a step inadequacy of support. Congregation being cited to appear at presbytery meeting for pastorate of that church, which being 12th November, after commissioners accepted, the pulpit was declared vachad been heard, presbytery resolved to accept the resignation. Mr. Baird left was Rev. William Suart, who was in-Saint John on the 2nd December, 1867. On the 28th May, 1868, this church call- signed 11th November, 1889, the pulpit ed Rev. Thomas Cumming, but he declined. On the 22nd July they called Rev. Alfred Dickie, and he declined. On the 12th March, 1870, along with received a call from that church and Pisarinco, they joined in a call to Rev. Joshua C. Burgess, call signed by 49 resigned on the 7th March, 1893, a call nembers and 36 adherents in Carleton. In Pisarince 27 members and 28 adherents, with a guarantee of stipend from Carleton of \$400 Pigarinco \$100 call being sustained on the 23rd March, 1870. Burgess was ordained 5th May, 1879,

and inducted pastor of Carleton con-

Calvin church at this time was situate on the north side of Hazen street, opposite the residence of Judge Trueman, and was a wooden framed building. On the morning of the 2nd April, ject of fellowship meetings in each of the day of July, 1854, at 7.30 o'clock. tained, the want of accommodation in the destitute districts enjoying his he continued pastor of this church unclaimed and he was specially to press this subject home to the hearts til 7th June, 1882, when he retired. most harmonious and flourishing con-dition and had paid off \$1,500 of the funded debt, besides expending \$600 in With subscriptions from the people improvements on the lecture room. No great changes were effected in the and the proceeds of a bazaar, \$6,000 more was raised. A piece of ground 1873, when Saint David's church or a clay bank on the City road, the oundary line between the city and

workings of the denomination until came vacant by the translation of the Rev. Mr. McKay to Summerside, P. E. I. on the fourth of Febuary. This congregation was being supplied as was also Calvin church, the resignation of whose paster, Rev. Samuel Houston, having been accepted in November of that same year. These two congregations being vacant and being supplied by possible candidates, caused a "troubling of the waters." Saint David's, after hearing much supply, on the 2nd Sentember called the Rev. Dr. Waters. at that time at Saint Marys, Ontario, at a salary of \$2,200. The papers having been forwarded to the presbytery of Stratford and being accepted. Or the 3rd December, 1873, presbytery met and inducted Dr. Waters as pastor.

In Calvin church on the 17th June, 1874 Dr. Bennett, moderated in a call to Rev. David M. Maclise, of New York he parties signing that the presbytery city. He was inducted as pastor on the 30th july, 1874. But now and again matters cannot and do not remain 'put" as we say. On the 29th April, ness and for other reasons, decided i prudent to resign Saint Stephen's church. His resignation was accepted The pulpit was declared vacant on the 10th May following by Rev. Mr. Cameron, and on the 17th May Mr. Cale preached his farewell sermon, 2 Cor.: 13-11: Finally Brethren, farewell. At his time this church was free from debt and all the branches and departnents of church and work were flo ishing. On the 17th June at presbytery it was apparent that this congre gation was prepared to call and mod eration was granted for the 25th, when a call came out in favor of Reverend Donald McRae, which, being sustained and accepted on the 5th July, he was inducted on the 19th July, 1874. In Saint Andrew's church Rev. Mr. Cameron resigned on the 11th January, 1876, his successor became the Rev. William Mitchell, who was inducted on the 30th January, 1877.

We cannot deal with the particulars of the ravages of the great fire in this P: shyterians and Presbyterianism are concerned, and the efforts that were Successfully made to rebuild a new Saint Andrew's and a new Saint David's church. Suffice it to say, by the way, that until this time the even ing services in the city churches were held at 6 o'cleck. An agitation was commenced among some of the hurches to change the hour from 6 to . Great discussions took place, as formerly the time after service gave a onger evening for social and religious course and improvement. Parents were enabled to spend a few mo nents in the week with the younger members of the families, and they be-came acquainted with each other, but taking this extra hour away, deprived

CHRISTMAS

A Green One, but All Had a Good Time.

the Heart Made Glad by Opportune Gifts-Presentations Were the Order of the Day.

Christmas of 1903 is over. The wea-

ther was not as pleasant as could be with leave of presbytery on the 1st July, 1882. On the 14th November, 1882, wished for. There was no snow to Saint John church petitioned for moderation in call and same having been granted moderation took place on the 27th November. A call came out in favor of the Rev. Thos. F. Fothering-ham, which being accepted, he was inducted pastor of this church on the 9th | notwithstanding the fact that the weaers. On the 14th May, 1861.

Mr. McKay was called by 66 communicants and 75 adher
ducted pastor of this chutch of the state well known to all of a Christmas long remembered by this city and country. "Peace and goodwill city and country. In Saint Andrew's church on the 15th toward men" could be recited not only ducted on the 29th May following. He March, 1882, Rev. William Mitchell, by individuals, but by the country at pastor, tendered his resignation to take large with a firm conviction that it effect on the 1st July of, that year, which was accepted. On the 13th the blessing of peace, prosperity reign-March, 1883, a call was presented to eth everywhere. All this was manifest presbytery in favor of the Rev. T. the Christmas that is now just G. Smith, of Kingston, Ontario, which past by the spirit in which it was celebeing accepted, he was inducted on the brated in the homes and by the praise The people in Saint David's church churches. Numerous were the presremained without a pastor until January 25, 1883. Dr. Bruce resigned this and many were the gifts made to officharge on 10th June, 1899, to assume the cials and men in important positions principalship of Saint Andrew's Col- as a token of the esteem in which they lege for Boys to be opened in Toronto, sistants. The poor and the sick and he was succeeded by the present was inducted 1st December of that

> The following paragraphs show some anniversary of the first sermon by the of the presentations and gifts made in fourth minister and warm friend of this city:

> In Carleton church, 6th October, 1884, Rev. Joshua C. Burgess resigned his candelabrum and massive silver plateau set with a mirror. ant October 19, 1884. His successor ducted 7th May, 1885, and having re-

> was declared vacant on the 24th November of same year. On the 8th July, 1890, Rev. Mr. Shor amount of money, he said, because it was inducted 12th August, and having was presented to Reverend James Burgess, the present minister, who was inducted 23rd May, 1893.

In Calvin church Dr. Maclise took dangerously ill and died in May, 1883. and being accepted same day. Trials
were prescribed and Rev. Joshua C. so for sometime. Reverend Archibald McDougall was called and inducted 31st August, 1885. On the 14th May, 1889 he was granted four months leave of absence, and he resigned on the 30th October, 1889, which being accepted, presbytery leclared the church vacant. Mr. McDougall, in the meantime, having become a Ph. D., on the 13th January, 1895, his name was dropped from the roll of presbytery. On the 14th January, 1890, Rev. Mr. Fullerton was received as a minister of the Presbyter-He supplied church in Canada. Calvin until June 26, 1892, when he was inducted pastor. He resigned 22nd January, 1893, and this church being vacant, they called on the 28th march of that year Rev. W. W. Rainnie, who resigned last year, since which time Calvin church has become an O. M.

station. In St. Andrew's church Dr. Smith having resigned on the 18th December, 1885, and resignation being accepted, to take effect on the 31st January, 1886, a call was presented in favor of the present pastor, Rev. L. G. Macneill, who was inducted on the 14th October, 1886. A change in the pulpits having gone the rounds of all the city churches excep Saint Stephen's, their time came at last in due course, for on the 1st August, 1896, Dr. McRae demitted his charge, accepting the general assembly appointment as principal of Morin College, Quebec. This congregation memaining vacant for a short time, called in due time its present pastor, Rev. D. J. Fraser, who was inducted on the

16th day of January, 1897.

Not to weary you further we deeply regret that time fails and space will think of your kindness and to feel that not permit us to fellow the course of events in and around Saint John city accepted by you in so gracious a manand give a brief account of the work done that would necessarily include for a happy holiday season for you and reference to the two babies of the for your continued health and happi-Presbyterian church in Saint John—ness that we ask you to accept this Fairville and North End, but at some token of our regard. The presentation other time and on another occasion our was a handsome pair of royal doulton attention might profitably be directed

to that good work.

In conclusion, what does this sketch from it for our benefit and upbuilding? We would say let the relation between pastor and people be strengthened, let the gospel preached be practical, good rooms, No. 3 Engine House, yesterday for street and home, good for Sunday afternoon and evening. A large num-as well as Monday and every day and ber of outsiders were entertained and night of the week.

Let the fellow worshippers have the same love and loyalty to and for the hurch of their fathers as warmed the hearts of the founders of the denominaion. Let there be earnest prayer and honest work. All former and great eaders and preachers in this communion have succeeded because they did not separate these two ideas or thoughts.

Looking back from the faint beginnings of our checkered history, watching with interest the planting of this church, its persecutions, its hindrances from without and within, its encouragements and discouragements, the ebing and flowing of life's events, let us with hearts sorry for all failures, glad for all successes, take up the allotted work. Earnest prayer. Honest

With the small beginnings of families and communicants, let us realize what our present heritage is today. A church extending from coean to oce from Atlantic to Pacific, embracing within its bounds:

118,687 families. 26,611 single persons. 222,031 communicants. 7 708 Elders. 12,477 other church officers. 204.052 Sunday school scholars and teachers, and an income of \$2,430.807.

permit of sleighing and tobogganing Although the rinks were not in the best condition a good many had their Christmas skate. The curlers found the ice a little too soft for play. But expressed a present reality. Besides and thanksgiving services held in the were held by their associates and aswell remembered by gifts and delicacies, and the welfare of the orphans year, and preached his first sermon on was further ensured by generous offthe 51st anniversary of the first sererings in the churches. mon by the first minister and the 25th

> Mr. and Mrs. Frank Foster were presented Christmas eve by the guests of the house with a handsome silver

Superintendent L. R. Ross Thursday was taken by surprise, made a reply ferred. thanking them for their kindness. He

whom he was associated. Christmas of 1878 a small boy enter- ment. ed as messenger with the firm of Watbought in St. John. The lucky recip- without foundation. ient was C. H. Smythe, now manager of the Union street store. His mono- Canadian regiment being sent to gram is on the outside of the watch. Each of the inmates of the Home for Incurables received a Christmas presconnection with that institution.

generous cheque.

large. The collections amounted to almost \$900, which will go towards the support of the orphans. New Victoria presentation, read by

the clerk, John Howard. Christmas, 1903. To Mrs. McCoskery:

The employes of the New Victoria hotel cannot permit the Christmas season to pass without in some way expressing to you their great appreciation of your kindness to them and consideration for them during the year that is now drawing to a close. You have been to us a friend as well as an employer and in many ways have made our tasks lighter and our lives more cheerful. It is a pleasure to such work as we have done has been ner. It is with the most sincere wishes

No. 1 Company of Boys' Brigade In conclusion, what does this sketch called on their captain, Geo. J. Smith, mean, unless we draw some lessons and presented him with an address and dressing case on Christmas morning. The members of No. 3 Hose Company held a Christmas reception in their a very enjoyable time was spent. Songs were rendered by Alexander Winches ter, Harry Short and others.

Edward Wilson, head waiter at the Union Club, was presented on Christmas Eve with a magnificent goldheaded cane. The presentation was made by George T. Delay on behalf of the employes. The employes of the water works department called on John Walker, for

his residence on King street east, and side to pay its own costs, in a libel presented him with a fine Morris chair. suit brought by her against the pro-The presentation was made by D. B. Tennant, and there was a large gathering of the water works staff, J. R. Clarkson, the manager of the Cushing Sulphite Mill, was the recipient on Thursday of a handsome gold chain, given him by the employes. Geo. H. Waring, jr., the mechanical superintendent of the mill, made the presentation.

Samuel Cooper, the clerk at the Viotoria hotel, was on Thursday presented by the bell boys with a fountain pen, gold mounted. J. D. Fraser, the Victoria hotel wine clerk, was the recipient Christmas day of gold link cuff buttons studded with

CASTORIA Bears the Bignature Chart Helitaire SIR FRED BORDEN'S RETURN.

OTTAWA, Dec. 25 .- Sir Fred Borden arrived home from England today and to the Sun's correspondent talked freely of his trip. He said he had been cordially welcomed by the imperial authorities and had the great honor conferred upon him of being chosen a member of the imperial defence committee. This committee consists of the prime minister, colonial secretary, secretaries for war and for India, the first lord of the admiralty, and three officers of the defence com-

To this body, Sir Frederick had explained the object of his missi which were fourfold. The first was the desirability of the commission from the militia act of Canada of the provision that the department of militia and defence was chargeable with the control of the naval militia, the intention being to hand over this branch to

the minister of marine and fisheries. The next point had reference to the elimination act of the clause that the general officer commanding must be an imperial officer of not less rank than receives the local rank of major gen-

The minister explained to the Sun's correspondent that this request did not imply that a Canadian must necessar ily be appointed to the command of the forces, but that when the right man was available he should not be debarred, by reason of the fact that he had no imperial commission, from filling the highest militia position in the Dominion. In not a distant future the minister believed such a Canadian officer would be forthcoming.

His third contention was that the seniorify of Canadian officers over imperial officers should be recognized. At present a major in the imperial service is by reason of the fact that he has an imperial appointment, senior to a Canadian major, although the latter's appointment may be ahead of the former. Sir Frederick desired that there should be perfect equality in the matter, seniority alone

The last point was that in the event of Canada being embroiled in war, her troops should be commanded by the G. O. C. at Ottawa, instead of by the officer commanding His Majesty's forces at Halifax. The law at present said the forces "might" be command ed by the Halifax officer, but the word The employes at the Union Depot had always been interpreted "must," assembled in the office of Terminal and it was to get rid of an anomaly which officers like General Hutton and afternoon and presented him with a General O'Grady-Halv had felt to be costly carving set. Mr. Ross, who so irksome, that the request was pre-

The imperial defence committee, Sir valued the present more than an Frederick remarked, had unanimo accepted these contentions and stated shewed the good will of those with that statutory effort would be given to them at the next session of parlia-

The report cabled from England that erbury & Rising. Last Christmas eve the minister had also consulted the the firm presented him with the finest imperial authorities about the defences gold watch and chain that could be at Esquimault was, he said, absolutely

What about the cabled report of a

Well, the minister replied, a suggestion of that kind was thrown out by ent from the Ladies' Aid Society in Arnold Foster, secretary for war. His idea was the recruiting of a regiment In speaking to Centenary congrega- in Canada to serve in India, where tion yesterday morning Rev. Geo. M. they might get opportunities for ac-Campbell mentioned that he had re- tive service and experience which ceived from the congregation a hand- might prove of great value. The exsome Christmas gift in the shape of a pense would be borne entirely by the government of India, as is the case At the deaf and dumb institution with all British troops there. I have there was a Christmas tree which was not brought back any formal proposigotten up by a number of the citizens tion, but I am free to confess that the making generous donations. J. M. suggestion is deserving of considera-Humphrey & Co. gave \$10. Other do- tion. Doubtless many of our young nators were Mrs. (Dr.) Case and Mrs. men would be glad to serve in that dependency, but the difficulty I see is The attendance at the Cathedral at to know what to do with them when all the masses yesterday was very their period of service expires. I pointed out to Arnold Foster that we had no standing army in Canada, and that we should have to think the matter over very carefully.

Did you explain to the imperial defence committee your proposal regarding an increase in the Canadian

Very little explanation was necessary on that point, as I learned that the committee had already had the scheme before them.

Proceeding. Sir Frederick said he believed more commissions in the imperial army would be offered to Canadians, and assurances had been given him that an exchange of officers would be forthcoming. Thus imperial officers would come over to the permanent corps and some of the permanent corps officers would be sent to serve with British regiments for a limited period. Moreover, it had been arranged to give Canada several positions on the staff college. One Canadian officer, Capt. D. I. V. Eaton, was taking the staff course already.

With reference to the proposed purchase of modern guns, the minister had nothing to say. He remarked: "The ter training of our forces. It has been the weak point in our system, but 1 think we are now in a fair way to

Asked about the fiscal agitation in England, the minister smiled blandly and dismissed his interrogator with the remark: "No doubt Chamberlain's propaganda is making great headway. HALF CENT TO MARIE CORELLI.

Final Result in Her Opposition to Carnegie Library Site in Shakespeare's Birthplace.

BIRMINGHAM, England, Dec. 18 .-At the assizes here late this evening, the jury awarded Miss Marie Corelli, nany years foreman of that staff, at the novelist, half a cent damages, each prietor of the Stratford-on-Avon Herald, in connection with a recent controversy, in which Miss Corelli opposed the erection of a Carnegie library, on the ground that it involved a desecration of Shakespeare's birthplace. The alleged libel consisted in a statement that Miss Corelli desired to erect a library at the same place. The case attracted considerable attention, and the court was crowded, many fashionable

people being present. Miss Corelli testified on her own behalf for two hours and emphatically denied that she ever intended to erect a library.

HALIFAX, Dec. 25 .- As showing the mildness of Christmas weather Halifax the statement is made that a butterfly was seen in Point Pleasant Park. There was a boat race on the