

HAVING now completed this brief record of the past, it remains for another to say but a word of the loving service and faithful work of the present pastor, Rev. S. T. Martin. A Canadian by birth, he became a graduate of Knox College after taking one year of his theological training in the Free Church College, Glasgow, and was ordained and inducted into the pastoral charge of St. Andrews the third day of September, 1903.

Being young in years and inexperienced in pastoral work, he was human enough to make mistakes, but always had the judgment to profit by them. We can well remember with what timidity he undertook the work laid down by his illustrious predecessor, but having put his hand to the plow he was not the man to look back.

Mr. Martin's pulpit ministrations show the marks of a careful student, and are directed not only to win men for Christ but also to build up Christian character in the members of his congregation.

The congregation being well organized when he came, every part of the work has felt the benefit of his cheerful helpfulness and loving counsel, the Sabbath School profiting largely by the deep interest taken in the welfare of the young. To him belongs the honor of introducing and successfully maintaining the custom of speaking to the children once a month in connection with the regular morning service, thus stimulating their interest in and binding them closer to the services of the sanctuary.

Mr. Martin's labors are not confined, however, to his own particular charge, but all movements tending to the social, educational or moral uplift of the community have his fullest sympathy and active co-operation. As a consequence of this he has won for himself a position of esteem and respect far beyond the bounds of his own congregation.

In recognition of his ability Mr. Martin was appointed in 1907 a member of the Senate of Knox College, and in 1908 to the Examining Board, thereby reviving a relationship existing in earlier years.

In closing this record of the present pastorate, the writer, who has listened to the living voice of every minister who has occupied the pulpit of St. Andrews, feels free to say that the mantle of Elijah has fallen upon worthy shoulders.