

of the congregation of Sydney Mines. In July of the same year he arrived in Cape Breton, and soon thereafter was inducted into the charge of Sydney Mines church. He continued pastor of this congregation up to May, 1883, when he was relieved from the more active work of the charge, the congregation giving him a suitable retiring allowance. Whereupon a satisfactory division of the widely scattered congregation was brought about, Rev. D. McMillian (who was called and inducted as colleague and successor in November, 1879) succeeding him, and assuming the pastorate of Sydney Mines and Little Bras d'Or, North Sydney being in the meantime formed into a new charge, which called Rev. Isaac Murray, D. D., who was inducted in August, 1884.

Mr. Wilson did a noble work for our Zion in his day. There are many men who made much more noise in the church who have not done a tithe of the work which he did or been a hundredth part as helpful to its highest interests. He was widely and favorably known in the lower provinces generally, and wherever known was respected and beloved. In 1844, the year after the Disruption, he was sent by the Free Church Synod on an important mission to various parts of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, during which he became favorably known to our people in both provinces, many of whom cherish his memory to this day. About this time he visited Newfoundland in the interests of the Free Church. The Free Church congregation in the city of St. John's were so charmed with him and his preaching, that they extended to him a most cordial and unanimous call. Until declining health and strength prevented, he was most conscientious in his attendance upon church courts. Once he rode on horseback all the way from Sydney Mines to Pictou to attend a meeting of Synod. He