

first sent to the mission of Douglas, York county (N. B.), where he labored fifteen months, serving meanwhile, as a school trustee and doing good literary as well as religious work.

From Douglas, Mr. Medley returned to Fredericton, to assist his father in the cathedral; went thence to St. John's, Newfoundland, where he was incumbent of St. Mary's for three years, returned to New Brunswick to become rector of Sussex, in 1867. Since he settled here, a neat and tasty church of the Gothic style has been built, with black ash and pine sheathing, and no plaster visible—one of the first houses of worship of the kind erected in this province. The old church, whose place it took, was one of the first built in this part of New Brunswick, and Sussex was early settled by U. E. Loyalists. The church is situated half a mile out of the village, and like the residence of the rector, a few rods from it, has beautiful rural surroundings, and is an inviting place in which to worship God.

Mr. Medley was appointed canon to the cathedral at Fredericton in 1869, rural dean in July, 1880; he is an elegant scholar, a polished writer, a sound theologian, and has a pleasant delivery; hence his pulpit efforts are very satisfactory to his parishioners.

Canon Medley was married on the 21st of April, 1864, to Charlotte, daughter of Robert Bird, Esq., of Birdtown, York county, N. B. They have no children.

EDWARD MCSWEENEY,

MONCTON, N.B.

THE subject of this notice, one of the leading merchants in Moncton, and late chairman of its town council, was born in Hillsborough, N.B., on the 10th of December, 1838, his parents being Peter and Joanna (Downing) McSweeney. His father, a gentleman of means and position, is a justice of the peace for the county of Westmoreland. He came from Kenmare, Ireland, and his mother from Killarney, in the same country.

The family moved from Hillsborough to Moncton when Edward was two or three years old, and he was educated in the public schools of the latter place, with supplementary instruction by his father, who is an excellent classical scholar.

When almost eighteen, Mr. McSweeney was placed for two years in the warehouse of Messrs. Doherty and McTavish, of St. John, and returned thence to Moncton, in charge of a branch house, owned by the same firm, going into business for himself in 1867. He is of the firm of McSweeney Brothers, his partner being Thomas McSweeney, a younger brother. They have one of the largest and finest warehouses in this province; deal largely in general dry goods, and make a specialty of carpetings and household furnishings of every description; and wood and upholstery furniture of every grade from common to the most expensive. For these they find numerous customers in the different sections of the lower provinces. They have also a custom clothing manufactory, where a large number of hands are given constant employment the year round.

Mr. McSweeney is a member of the local school board, and has been for some years, he taking a good deal of interest in education, being willing to devote a reasonable amount of time to the furtherance of that cause. He was chairman of the town council for two years (1879 and 1880) and made an efficient head of the municipality, several important public improvements being carried out while he was in that position.