

"All thanks be to God
Who seatters abroad
Throughout every place
By the least of his servants, his savi-
our of grace,
Who the victory gave,
The praise let him have;
For the work he hath done
All honour and glory to Jesus alone.

"Our conquering Lord
Hath prospered His Word,
Hath made it prevail,
And mightily shaken the kingdom of
hell,
His arm he hath bared,
And a people prepared,
His glory to show
And witness the power of his passion
below."

Rev. Dr. James.

Rev. T. H. James, lately honoured
by the degree of Doctor of Divinity
and senior pastor, said:—

Mr. President, I consider this day a
red letter day in my history. One of
the most important in my ministry,
for two reasons.

1. Because I think it a high hon-
our to be associated with the noble
men who have formed the pastorate
of the Grand Bank Mission and cir-
cuit during the first century of its
existence. I have known the greater
part of these brethren. Some of them
I have known only by reputation, such
as Dr. Knight. He is said to have
been a man of great physical strength.
I have heard that a merchant in Con-
ception Bay offered to give him a
barrel of pork if he was able to carry
it home. It is said that he took the
barrel of pork on his back and then
asked for a tub of butter and walked
home. He was a man of an eminent
type of piety. In one of our Maga-
zines we remember reading from an
address of his the following senti-
ments: "The great need of the day is
a sanctified ministry and a sancti-
fied church."

In company with the Rev. T. Ang-
win we crossed the Atlantic in 1871.
On different occasions we have sat at
the table of the late J. B. Morrow,
Esq., in company with the Revs.
Sprague and Brettell. I was present
at the Conference in Halifax when the
Rev. Mr. Hennigar was elected Pre-
sident, and have personally known all

the men who have filled the pastorate
of this circuit for the past 47 years.

2. To-day I am reminded of the
spiritual success of my early minis-
try. In Mortier Bay we have now a
nice church erected in that place. We
are thankful to God for the honour of
erecting a Methodist Church in Gar-
nish. Information can be given on
this line by Rev. C. W. Follett of Tor-
onto, and Mr. J. Lorenzen of Garnish.
Of this mission it may be said Rev. C.
Lynch was a pioneer, T. H. James
planted and the Rev. H. G. Collier
watered and God gave the increase.

I sincerely congratulate Grand Bank
on account of the material and edu-
cational prosperity which it has
realized during the past 30 years.
Large stores have been built and
fine residences erected. Grand Bank
has the reputation of leading the Out-
port schools in connection with the
number of passes taken with the C.
H. E. Exam. It has won some five
\$100 outport scholarships and has dis-
tinguished itself by patronizing the
liberal arts.

Seven young men have taken the
degree of B.A., one young lady has
taken the degree of M.L.A., and two
other young ladies the degree of B.A.
Grand Bank is represented in the
legal profession both in New York
and St. John's, Nfld. It is represent-
ed in the medical profession both in
the sunny isles of the Pacific and at
the trenches in Western France. It
has been represented on the Mission
field by the late Rev. E. Forsey and
Miss Ethel Hickman. It has sent forth
some 30 or more Day-school teachers
into the Methodist Church. The
large quantities of fish on the beach-
es testify to the success of some 40
or 50 vessels of various classes which
are engaged in the staple industry of
the Colony.

Rev. Wm. Swann.

The Rev. W. Swann said, that 29
years ago he landed at Fortune to take
up the duties of pastor of Grand Bank
Circuit, and that when he revisited
the scene of his former labours he
experienced a feeling of homeliness.
He was not accustomed to indulge in
tulsome flattery, but in line with the
spirit of Holy Writ, he thought it right
to give the first place to the excel-
lencies of a people. As he knew the