

gation, as represented by figures, stood as follows, when DR. GRAY gave up the charge: There were then 110 families, with 40 single persons; 235 communicants, 6 elders, 10 deacons and managers, 70 attending weekly meeting, 200 in Sabbath School and Bible Class, 25 Sabbath School teachers, and seating capacity of Church, 650. Amount raised for congregational purposes, \$2,125; for schemes, \$580, and for all purposes, \$2,918. During his ministry the church building was enlarged three times. The congregation from the first took up an independent position, and carried on its work in an independent manner, grateful for the fact that it was always, in its ecclesiastical bearings, an aid-giving, and not an aid-receiving congregation.

In 1881, REV. DR. GRAY, owing to ill health, caused by over-work, resigned, and was given the rank of *pastor emeritus*. He has ever since continued to work in the congregation, rendering such service as his health and increasing years would permit. He has twice acted as Moderator of Session during the pastor's absence.

In May, 1882, the congregation unanimously called the REV. R. N. GRANT, then Pastor of Knox Church, Ingersoll, and he was inducted on the 19th day of July, in the same year. The call was signed by 197 members, and 110 adherents. The congregation continued to grow and it was soon apparent that more seating accommodation must be provided in the church. Various plans were discussed, but none of them seemed to meet the views of the people. In the Spring of 1888 it was resolved to build a new place of worship, and steps were promptly taken, which ended in the erection of the present church. The corner stone was laid on the 10th of September, 1888, by the REV. DR. McMULLEN, of Woodstock, then Moderator of the General Assembly, and addresses delivered by