

years on the Markham, Newmarket, and Thorold Circuits, he was ordained in 1861, and sent as the assistant of the Rev. Richard Jones to the North Street Church, London. At the end of three years he was appointed to the Yorkville Church, and was associated in ministerial labour with the Rev. E. H. Dewart, then at Elm Street.

In 1866 he was appointed first pastor of the new Centenary Church at Hamilton, no small compliment to a young man only twenty-eight years of age. Here, as pastor of a congregation of which he had only a few years before been a youthful member, he gave full proof of his ministry, and the society was greatly increased and edified, in both senses of that word. At the end of three years he was removed to what was probably the foremost pulpit of Canadian Methodism, that of Great Saint James Street Church, Montreal, where he succeeded one of the foremost preachers in the Connexion, the Rev. Dr. Douglas. In this influential position his labours were attended by gracious spiritual results.

In 1872 he succeeded the Rev. George Cochran as pastor of the recently-erected Metropolitan Church at Toronto, where equal success attended his labours. Three years later he was appointed to the Elm Street Church, which, during the period of his pastorate, was almost entirely reconstructed and enlarged to nearly double its previous capacity. He is now in the second year of his second term at the Metropolitan Church.

The labours of Dr. Potts are by no means confined to the pulpit of his own Church. Every scheme of Christian philanthropy finds in him an ardent advocate and worker. In the temperance reform he has taken, from his fifteenth year, an earnest interest, and in connection with it some of his most efficient work has been done. In conjunction with the Rev. Dr. MacVickar, of Montreal, he is one of the Canadian representatives on the International Committee which selects the Sunday-school Lessons for probably two-thirds of the schools of Christendom; and at the recent great assembly at Chautauqua he was one of the most effective and popular speakers. He was also a delegate to the International Sunday-school Convention at Atlanta, Georgia. He is a member of the Board and Senate of Victoria University, and of the Board of the Theological College at Montreal. In recognition of his distinguished abilities and