

## After Fifty Years.

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ON the second day of October, eighteen hundred and sixty, a group of ministers of the Church of Scotland gathered in the little St. Andrew's Church, King, to ordain and induct Mr. James Carmichael, recently graduated from Queen's College, as minister there. They were men who even then bore the marks of hard service in the new country, and they have long since entered into rest. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Donald Ross, of Vaughan, the Rev. John Tawse was Moderator, the Rev. John Brown, of Newmarket, gave the charge to the young minister, the Rev. William McKee, of Gwillimbury, addressed the people, and the Rev. Dr. Barclay was Clerk of Presbytery.

Of that group only the young man set apart that day remains, a young man still—after fifty years of service in the charge in which he was then inducted. The passing years have silvered his hair, and bowed his frame, but his heart responds as quickly and joyously as it did on that day fifty years ago.

The Presbytery of Toronto still delights to honor him, and resolved that the completion of a half-century of service in one charge by such a man, should have a fitting celebration.

Accordingly a committee was appointed, consisting of Rev. Dr. Gilray, as Convener, with Rev. W. G. Back of Eglinton, Rev. Alex. Macgillivray of Bonar Church, and Rev. Daniel Strachan of Rosedale Church. Afterwards it was arranged that Sabbath, October second, should be observed in St. Andrew's, King, by special services, morning and evening; that Rev. Daniel Strachan should be the preacher in the morning, and Rev. John Neil, D.D., should be the preacher in the evening. It was also decided that on Thursday, October sixth, the Presbytery should meet in St.