

of the church I need not dwell. Dr. McCulloch was succeeded by Rev. Mr. Robbins in 1886. He was followed by Rev. Mr. Falconer in 1896. And he by the present pastor in 1902. The present pastor is the sixth in the history of the congregation—a history of more than 133 years.

First Church has had a splendid record. It stands at the fountain-head of Presbyterianism in Nova Scotia. To this congregation belongs the honor of having taken the first steps towards uniting Burghers and Anti-Burghers in the days gone by, a union which has been followed by larger unions, until Presbyterianism stands united from Atlantic to Pacific. The first Bible Society in British America was organized here in 1810 by Rev. Mr. Waddell. It was a congregational society, however, and not a Branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society, which had been organized in 1801. Here, too, was organized the first Bible class in the Presbyterian Church in the Dominion. The first members were: Miss Jane Archibald, Miss Jane Blanchard, Miss G. Henderson, Miss M. Witter, and the Misses Alice and Margaret Moore. Here also originated the first missionary prayer meeting, which has greatly fostered the missionary spirit of our congregation. It is interesting to note in a sessional minute of February, 1856, eight years after Dr. and Mrs. Geddie had been settled in Ancitium, a resolution to support the young people of the congregation in their effort to maintain a native teacher in the New Hebrides. First Church has ever been a missionary church. From her walls have gone forth to Trinidad Miss Blackader and the late Minnie Archibald; and to India, Mrs. Fraser Campbell and the Rev. Daniel Cock.

To the home church she has given Rev. C. P. Pitblado, Winnipeg. Rev. E. A. McCurdy, Agent of the Eastern Division of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. Edwin Smith, Musquodoboit, the late Rev. Frederick Archibald, of St. Thomas, Ontario, and the late Rev. Howard Archibald, of Australia.

Some of the fathers of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia have worshipped here, such as Dr. Lyall, Principal Ross, Dr. Keir, Professor Thomas McCulloch, all of the Seminary; and Dr. Forrester of Normal School, which began its career in Truro in 1855.

I cannot close this sketch without making reference to one who would have been delighted to have worshipped with us to-day—the late Mrs. Little. She loved the Presbyterian Church,