



Rev. James Steven
Pastor, 1895-1897

Pastorate of Rev. James Steven

Rev. James Steven was inducted as minister of the congregation on the 22nd of January, 1895. His term was short in Tiverton but he did excellent work, and was very popular in the congregation. The nucleus of a building fund for the erection of a new church was formed in his time.

George Ord, Donald Matheson, Jas. Murray jr., and P. D. Cameron, were ordained and inducted as elders. John Urquhart who had been a member of the session for nearly thirty years departed this life in 1896. He was a true and godly man and a staunch supporter of the cause of Christ all his days. Mr. Urquhart was highly respected by all who knew him in the vicinity, and his demise was deplored as a real loss to the Church of God, but he had served his generation by the will of God and had fallen asleep in Jesus, and gone to be with Him which is very far better. Mr. Steven received a call to Dutton in the summer of 1897. There he labored for seven or eight years. He is now minister of Cote-des-Neiges, near Montreal.

Pastorate of Rev. K. MacLennan, B.D., Ph.D.

The congregation extended a call to the present minister in November, 1897, and he was inducted on the 30th of December following. Mr. MacLennan had just returned from Honan, China, where he had labored as a missionary for four years.

At the annual meeting of Knox Church in 1899 it was decided to build a new church.

A canvass of the congregation was made by the minister and J. A. Mackenzie which justified the resolution passed at the annual meeting. The people of the congregation hauled sand, stone, brick, and other material. A plan submitted by Mr. Fawcett of Sarnia was, with certain modifications, accepted and tenders were called for the work. The contract for the stone, and brick-work, and plastering



Mrs. James Steven