

field success, and has long since "fallen on sleep," but it did good work in its day, with such scholars on its staff as Dr. Cramp and Dr. Davies; and some of its saintly graduates "remain unto this present," as links of blessing between the past and the present.

His health becoming restored by the autumn of the year of his return, Mr. Gilmour, out of several openings that offered, chose an appointment under the New England Company, whose duties were the care of two bands of Indians, living in the vicinity of Peterborough, involving a paternal and spiritual oversight. He therefore took up his residence in Peterborough in November, 1837, and this became his home till the time of his death. He attended with scrupulous diligence and conscientiousness to the duties of his position, but his natural energy was so great that his labors overflowed the banks of his ordinary duties and spread far and wide throughout Ontario. Naturally the county of Peterborough claimed his first attention, and here again he became a pioneer, preaching in the log school houses and in the dwellings of the settlers. The earliest Baptist churches in the county were organized by him, and the church in the township of Smith, four miles from Peterborough, paid his memory a graceful tribute in calling the new chapel, opened in 1890, the Gilmour Memorial Church. The work in the county of Peterborough also supplied the nucleus for the Baptist church in Zorra. But his labors were not bounded by even these limits, for there are few sections of Ontario that he did not visit, and where he has not left behind men who have gratefully remembered his labors in preaching the gospel and helping to organize churches. The needy state of the country at that time made it no injustice to the work to render these valuable services gratuitously. But in a short sketch space would fail to tell of all the streams of benediction that issued from his home in Peterborough to gladden with spiritual verdure many hearts that responded to the truth which he preached. When the Canadian Baptist Union was formed he was made its first President, his grasp of affairs and natural buoyancy of spirits marking him as a leader. It is true that even this period of his life's history was not without its stormy passages, in which his convictions in matters of church order came into