

the congregation little harm. They clung to the church of their fathers, and let the storm blow by. The agitation anent the secularization of the clergy reserves, in 1854, drew away a few of the half-hearted, but the main body of the congregation remained immovable. The union of the Presbyterian Churches affected King seriously. A number of families, highland to the last drop of blood, would not give up the old name, Church of Scotland, and stood aloof, till one by one they were called home to join the General Assembly in heaven.

Mr. Tawse died in April, 1877, after a ministry of forty years in King. His body lies beside the church where he had faithfully preached the glorious gospel of his Lord and Saviour. He sleeps among his people, whom he loved, and by whom he was beloved. The shepherd and his flock lying down together, waiting for the Resurrection morning, when together they shall arise to join the glorious throng on the margin of the glassy sea.

The present minister of St. Andrew's, King, was ordained and inducted on the second day of October, 1860. The intervening years embrace the lifetime of a ministry. Mr. Carmichael was born in the township of Beekwith, at the present time Carleton Place, breathing in his young days the rich ozone borne by the keen north wind as it swept over tens of thousands of acres of spruce and pine and hemlock and balsam. Here he laid in a store of health that has stood him in good stead for the long life that was to come after. His school masters were many and varied. There was the little log school-house, where knowledge of various kinds was instilled into the youthful mind, and body too. But the Bible, Old and New Testament, was a text book, and its precious lessons took such hold of heart and mind that they were never forgotten. The sublime poetry of the Book of Job, and the magnificent chapters of Isaiah were so deeply engraven on his heart that no after years could efface them. And then he had the overshadowing heavens, the deep blue sky, gemmed with its million, million stars, Orion and Pleiades, Arcturus and his sons. These were his teachers, and from his earliest years they left indelible impressions on his inmost soul.

He was brought up in a Highland settlement. He was early