

Church. He did not, as some do, bound at once into the best circuits; but was sent to those—and he went willingly—which are best for young men, the hard, laborious ones. On these he toiled for years with commendable zeal and fidelity, always improving his circuits, financially and spiritually.

His special business tact and administrative ability were soon observed by his brethren, hence his election to the office of Chairman in the fifteenth year of his ministry. This occurred while he was stationed in his native city. After this official honours gathered around him rapidly. He has filled, with acceptance to his brethren and safety to the interests involved, the office of Secretary in every department of ecclesiastical Methodism, and is at present the Secretary of the General Conference. If his spiritual life and mental vigour continue unimpaired in the midst of an increasing popularity, he will probably ere long be found among our ex-Presidents. He is a man of progressive ideas, yet sufficiently conservative to keep within the boundary lines of Methodist doctrine. By extensive reading, close thinking, and the careful observation of current events, he keeps fully abreast of the times. He is ready to engage in any enterprise that will conduce to the honour of God, and the moral interests of mankind. Hence his early and continuous connection with that noble organization, "The Sons of Temperance." He, however, firmly believes in the sound doctrine, that the preaching of the gospel is the grandest and most effective agency in our world, for the correction of human morals, and the spread of holiness; and that it will not be superseded by any other until the millennium.

Mr. Currie excels as a platform speaker; but the pulpit is his throne of power. He reads well the oracles of God in the sacred desk—a rare accomplishment. As an elocutionist he has probably but few superiors in the Dominion of Canada. Every sentence is uttered with such distinctness, that none can fail to understand what he means.

His sermons are not characterized by impassioned bursts of eloquence or melting pathos; but they abound with stirring, lofty thought, gathered chiefly from the book containing the best thoughts in the universe—God's thoughts. He is no plagiarist, yet is continually gathering stores of knowledge from the choicest