

when the two congregations were again united. This union was necessary since Presbytery could not make satisfactory arrangements for Knox. Besides, many of the members had a deep feeling of sympathy for their sister congregation, so when requested by the Presbytery to re-unite with Knox, the union took place and remains so to this time.

As we look back over the fifty years that have elapsed since the first service was held in a barn and we think of all the changes that have taken place in the congregation, in the community and in the nation, we would not be true to the lessons that have been taught us if we failed to recognize that careful watching over all and the guiding and blessing through all those years. From a congregation that fifty years ago had no house of worship and was only represented by a few families, we have today a congregation of 230 members, representing 102 families, a church capable of seating comfortably over six hundred people, with all modern conveniences, electric light, hot air heating apparatus, large and comfortable basement for social events, Sunday School room and meetings of the different organizations. As a community, so great have been the changes that, of those who were heads of the families who worshipped in the barn, only two are left, namely: Alexander Strath, Sr., and Thomas Graham. The others have gone the way of all flesh and crossed the Great Divide. Of those who in the intervening years assumed the duties and responsibilities of church work many have gone to receive their reward, others have gone West and are taking their places in new church duties, as men and women who have always been led by the Master.

As we recognize the changes that have taken place in the congregation and in the community we cannot fail to note the many changes which have taken place in the nation.