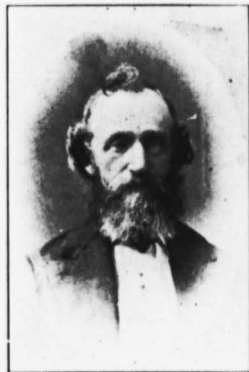


MR. JOHN BINNING

found to add much to the interest of the praise service, the first selection sung being that well known marching hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers, Marching as to War." In February, 1885, three new elders were elected, Messrs. John Thompson, John Livingston, sr. and Andrew Little.

THE NEW CHURCH.—Another event belonging to Mr. Campbell's pastorate requires more than passing notice. From about the year 1883 it began to be felt that a church building more in keeping with the increase of the congregation and more up to date in its equipment would have to be considered, but there were many who opposed. After many delays and much discussion it was resolved to proceed with the work. A building committee was appointed, its members were: Dr. Nichol, chairman; B. F. Brook, secretary; P. Lillico, treasurer; D. D. Campbell and Wm. E. Binning. Plans and specifications were drawn up and a subscription list started. The contractors were Messrs. Smith and Bamford, of Listowel. The contract price was \$18,000 but with extras and the placing of a pipe organ, a debt of over \$20,000 was incurred. The old church was moved back to become part of the new edifice. While the building was in progress the congregation worshipped in the Lillico Hall, a building which stood on the present site of the Arlington hotel.

The corner stone of the new church was laid by Dr. Nichol with all the usual ceremonies and much speech making in the presence of a large crowd of friends and well wishers of the church in June, 1887. The church was opened for worship some time in the next year.



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Mr. Campbell's pastorate came to a close by his resignation in April, 1892, Rev. A. Henderson, M. A., of Atwood, acting as moderator during the vacancy.

MR. MORRISON'S PASTORATE.—Our next pastor was Rev. J. A. Morrison, of Montreal. He received a unanimous call and was inducted in January, 1893. His pastorate was short, coming to a close in June of the following year by his acceptance of a call to East church, Toronto. Mr. Henderson, of Atwood, again acting as moderator during the vacancy.

MR. COOPER'S PASTORATE.—Rev. Wm. Cooper, B. A., received and accepted a call, and was