

interest in the schools of the town, and was for many years chairman of the Public School as well as of the High School Board, and to whose persistency is chiefly owing the erection of the present High School building.

The decease of Mr. Miller is recorded in the Minutes in scately periods thus: "Who for the long period of half a century had been a most valuable member, taking on all occasions a deep interest, and acting a faithful part in the temporal and spiritual affairs of the Church, being one of that little company of excellent Christian men (himself the last survivor) that, during a lengthened probation of trial and suffering arising chiefly from the want of regular ministerial services, managed and kept together the Presbyterian congregation of Niagara, when, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, their laudable efforts were at last rewarded by the Church of Scotland's ordaining and inducting a minister to the pastorate, the deceased the following year, on the completion of the ecclesiastical organization of the congregation to church ordinances, was ordained to the eldership, which office he worthily and actively filled to the day he rested from his labors." To this period among the faithful and valued elders of the Church belong the names of James Lockhart, John McFarland, George Dawson, Andrew Martin, Robert Dawson and Thomas P. Blain. When the Rev. Charles Campbell resigned and removed to Toronto, the Rev. William Cleland was called by the congregation. He had received a sound education in Belfast College, and after removing to Toronto, wrote a history of Presbyterianism in Ireland, which has received much praise. In this incumbency the present organ was purchased. In this connection it may be mentioned that frequent references are made to the Psalmody, Precentor and choir; sometimes a salary