

THE present St. Andrew's Church, which is the oldest Protestant place of worship in the City of Ottawa, was erected, chiefly through the kindness of the late Hon. Thomas Mackay, in 1828. The first minister of the charge was the Rev. John Cruikshank, now Minister of Turriff, Scotland, who was inducted by the late Rev. Dr. Machar, of Kingston, on the first Sabbath of March, 1830. Mr. Cruikshank resigned in 1843, and was succeeded in the pastorate of St. Andrew's Church by the Rev. Alexander McKidd, who remained two years. On the 14th January, 1847, the Rev. William Durie was inducted, but his incumbency was of short duration, as he died, deeply regretted, on the 12th September, 1847. He was succeeded by the Rev. Alexander Spence, D.D., who was inducted to the pastorate on the 27th July, 1848. During the incumbency of Dr. Spence the Church was enlarged, in 1854, to meet the growing requirements of the congregation. Dr. Spence resigned the charge on the 24th October, 1867, and on the 17th December, of that year, the present pastor of the congregation was inducted.