

Rev. Wm. McDonald, B.A., B.D.

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Shortly after Mr. Higgins' decease, on October 27th, 1901, the new church at Reid's Mills was formally opened and dedicated to the worship of

God, special dedicatory services being conducted by the late Rev. Professor Ross, then of the Montreal College. Upon the following day, and in this newly dedicated church, Wm. McDonald, B.A., B.D., a young graduate, fresh from Queen's Divinity Hall, was ordained to the work of the Christian ministry by the laying on of hands, and regularly inducted to this charge by the Presbytery of Brockville.

The Rev. William McDonald was born near Almonte, Ontario, educated at the high school of that town, and pursued studies in Arts and Theology at Queen's University, winning scholarships and attaining degrees in both departments.

Among many other goodly gifts the young graduate brought to his new work was the enthusiasm of youth. His predecessors had been in the habit of preaching once a day

in each church. (A.M. in the stone church; in the afternoon at Reid's Mills). These public services had apparently been quite sufficient to meet the people's needs. Mr. McDonald was not long upon the field, however, till he discovered that young people were numerous and that they might be reached by a Sunday evening service. In their interests he at once taxed himself



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