

freely offered him. Many of our readers will remember seeing the old "Baptist Union," which was published in Toronto, and edited by Rev. A. Lorimer during the period between 1856 and 1863, and which was an excellent contribution to Canadian Baptist literature.

The subject of our sketch died on the 4th of September, 1868, leaving behind four children, Eliza Brodie, now Mrs. Robt. Cameron of Boston; Sarah Frances, now Mrs. L. Woolverton of Grimsby, Alexander R. and Benjamin D. of Toronto.

Just as he was passing away, a sister in Christ, Mrs. Childs, recently herself also departed, sang to him his favorite hymn which he had so often given out at religious gatherings,—

"Forever with the Lord,
Amen, so let it be,
Life from the dead is in that word
'Tis immortality."

LINUS WOOLVERTON.

Grimsby, Ont.

SOME WINTER HOMES.

(Concluded.)

Beavers, too, are quite comfortably housed for the winter. They, like the muskrat, build houses. And they, like the rat, take care that they know of some safe hole in the bank of the pond or stream in case their house is disturbed.*

Beavers have a great fancy for wandering during the early summer months. They have been known to appear in localities where they have been extinct for many years. A few years ago the farmers near a small lake in the County of Lanark were astonished to find the waters of the lake suddenly rising and overflowing their meadows. When they came to seek the cause

*When beavers are found along rapid, spring-fed streams, such as the Saugeen, in the County of Bruce, they seldom build dams. Open water insures them access to timber along the margin of the streams even in winter. A supply of logs cut and laid up for winter is therefore unnecessary. Not having to do this laborious work the beavers (called bank beavers) become very lazy and very fat. A friend of mine caught an unusually large bank beaver just where the Beaver River joins the Saugeen near what is now the town of Paisley.