

REV A. J. H. STRIKE, 1914-8.

Although disappointed in not having their invitation to Rev. S T. Bartlet' honored by the Stationing Committee, Mr. Strike was very cordially received by the church and congregation. Finding the church, Sunday-school, Epworth League, and other to leties well organized and officered by capable leaders, the successful pastorate of Mr. Strike was assured. Two revivals resulted in large additions to the Church, Connectional Funds were increased, and the pastor's salary advanged. In 1905 considerable injury to the church building was the result of a mysterious fire, but the damage was fully covered by insurance. In 1907 a widespread depression visited the town, causing many to remove to other places, and thus depleting the congregation about one-half. Mr. Strike greatly pleased his many friends on December 31st with able sermons in connection with the 'Home-coming services.