

MRS. JOSEPH WALLIS.

HUMBER SUMMIT.

Mrs. Wallis was one of the Gaelic settlement from the Island of Arran, who first attacked the wilderness in the County of Megantic, Quebec. She had many reminiscences of those early days, when they lived in tents made of blankets two months, till they got houses up, and when Capt. McKillop was the leading man of the settlement, and potato-fields and pasture lands were slowly taking the places of the cedar, black birch, and maple thickets of that rocky region. In after years she became the wife of Rev. Malcolm McKillop; who graduated from the Congregational College in 1858, and who for a few years did good and faithful service in the Lord's cause; dying early in the harness. She lived for some years in Inverness, her old home, caring for her two daughters, till in 1870 she married Mr. Joseph T. W. Wallis, near Woodbridge, Ont. At once she made her presence felt in the quiet, wise, patient Christian work she did in the little church now known as Humber Summit church. So wise and perfect a Christian experience, with so winning a manner of counselling the wayward and establishing the doubting, has scarcely been my lot to find elsewhere. For twenty-five years she taught in the Sunday School there, seeing one after another growing up into the responsibilities of life and into Christian maturity under her moulding hand. After many months of failing and suffering, borne with singular patience, she passed away on Sabbath, 29th Sept., 1895, as she herself said—and which she desired to be used at her funeral—"To depart and to be with Christ, which is far better."

W. W. SMITH.

REV. RICHARD TUTIN THOMAS.

Mr. Thomas will be remembered by the older readers of the YEAR BOOK, as the first pastor of the Northern Church, Toronto; though for the last quarter of a century laboring in England. He was born in Leamington, Warwickshire, in 1842.

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