

Impressed with the necessity of doing good, by labouring for the salvation of souls, he entered the ministry, in the year 1845. On all the Circuits to which he was appointed by the Conference he was well received by the people, and was the instrument in the hands of God of accomplishing much good. The last Circuit to which he was appointed was Whitchurch, where he laboured zealously in the cause of his master, and with great acceptability to the people. On this Circuit he terminated his ministerial career. Having just attained to a high degree of spiritual attainments, he was looking forward to great and extensive spheres of usefulness, but—

"How frail, at best, is dying man,
How vain are all his hopes and fears."

Seized with a disease, painful and treacherous in its character, he was compelled to relinquish his labors in the church of his choice.

Leaving Whitchurch, with his family, he came to reside in Barton, where, after a painful and protracted illness, and in the thirtieth year of his age, he died in sure and certain hope of a joyful resurrection.

John Shilton :

He was born in Birmingham, England, October 19th, 1804. Little or nothing is known of the circumstances of his conversion to God, but soon after he emigrated to this country he united himself with our body, and he was one of the first to enrol his name on the list of preachers at the time of the organization of the Canadian Wesleyan body, by Elder Ryan, in 1829. Being then youthful and vigorous, brother Shilton was willing and able to labour. He traversed, under the most inauspicious circumstances (scarcely imaginable at this day), nearly the length and breadth of Canada West. He spared no labour either of body or mind to carry the sound of the Gospel wherever the woodman's axe was heard; nor was he too proud to partake of the woodman's fare in the forest. As a veteran of the cross he endured hardness, counting not his life dear unto him. He penetrated trackless forests, and forded bridgeless waters, in search of families settled in the dense woods. To these he preached the unsearchable riches of Christ in their own houses, or under the shade of the tree, and his toils and teachings were not without their reward. Many of our churches have been quickened, edified, and blessed by the labours of our departed brother, and many whose circumstances prevented them from uniting with our community will attest in the day of God, that brother Shilton was the instrument of bringing them out of darkness into God's marvellous light. In the personal character of brother Shilton there was exhibited a happy combination of the Christian graces. He was mild yet fervent; venerable, yet in his spirit a little child. Faithful, unassuming, industrious, willing to serve; in short, his constant feeling seemed to be, "put me in any place, and to any work, in which I may serve my master and save souls." He was appointed to the Arthur Circuit by the Conference of 1853, and laboured faithfully in his sphere till the time of his decease. He had attended

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