

JAMES HUGHES

Entered into his rest on Sunday morning, December 1st, 1895, in the eighty-ninth year of his age. He was born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1807. He came to Canada in 1830, received license as a local preacher in 1837, was received on probation in 1839, and ordained in 1842. He received a religious and Methodist training, and said: "I was converted to God and received the Spirit of adoption in Ireland, in 1828." He went out from the Yonge Street Circuit. In 1865 Bro. Hughes was superannuated, and had lived since that time in Colborne, beloved by all who knew him. Though in retirement, Bro. Hughes did not live an idle life. He was an example of fidelity, for, although nearly ninety years of age, he rarely absented himself from public worship on Sunday mornings. Truly he walked "in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless." He was a constant visitor of the sick within his reach. For over thirty years he mingled in all the joys and sorrows of the people among whom he lived. He was a good, true friend to all the pastors of the place, and was never inquiring why the former times were better than these. In conversation he excelled, and up to the very last all his rare treasures of reading and wide observation were completely at his command. His ample information, critical knowledge, sparkling wit, real humor and thorough good breeding always made him a charming friend. He was an earnest Christian, and loved the Church which had brought to him the blessed, conscious experience of pardon and salvation. "As a preacher," Dr. Carroll says, "as to mind and manner he possessed some apposite qualities. Diffident, yet bluntly bold, he was original in thought and manner of sermonizing. . . . These, with a large infusion of quaintness and humor, . . . great fervor and vivacity, and an unquenchable zeal for God's glory and the salvation of souls, made him a very lively and successful preacher." After a few weeks of gentle decline, in full possession of all his faculties, he passed into his rest. Surely it was not dying—it seemed rather a triumphal march to an eternal coronation. His departure realized the promise of Jesus, "He that liveth and believeth on me shall never die." A memorial service was held in the Methodist church, in which the Revs. William Johnston, W. D. P. Wilson, F. Johnston, J. Lewis, C. W. Watch, W. Tomblin, T. Watson, of the Baptist Church, and P. W. Duncan, of the Presbyterian, took part. A large congregation assembled to pay the last tribute of respect to one whom they loved.

GEORGE NELSON,

The son of Mark N. and Mary I. Gardiner, passed away in the triumphs of faith at his father's residence in the township of Hope, near the village of Perry Town, on the Canton Circuit, December 13th, 1895, in the twenty-fifth year of his age.

Brother Gardiner was converted to God in early life, and gave himself to the work of the Christian ministry. He attended Albert College, Belleville, and while there passed the preliminary course of study. He spent two years in active work (the first on the Frankford Circuit, the

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