

render the reoccupancy of the station, in some measure painful or embarrassing to the Christian labourer, no longer exist."

A strong rally was made in 1840 the year after the paper was written from which the foregoing extract was taken and a pastor was secured. The church then possessed an amount of wealth and a strength of membership, greater than she exhibited for many years afterwards. But the members were not homogeneous, and the three pastors who were settled between 1840 and 1844, viz., Messrs. Coombes, Tapscott, and Campbell, were unable to weld, or work them together. So that in 1844, a large portion of the membership and half the wealth, were scattered never again to be gathered.

In the last named year, there were only sixty-four members on the books, (and these could not all be found), and they were barely able to raise \$400 for the new pastor's salary. This is not a very cheering exhibit of fifteen years work.

I was called to the pastorate of this church, in September 1844, and endeavoured to discharge the duties of the office for four years, March Street being our head quarters. In June 1848, the present house in its first form was opened for public worship. Soon after this I resigned, and Mr. (afterwards Dr.) Pyper, was called to the pastorate, which he filled with credit and ability for seven years, till 1855. Getting the church away from March Street and its surroundings was, humanly speaking, the first step toward perma-