

her footsteps. One of her sons then baptised was the late Wm. Sutherland, afterwards for many years an elder in Dr. McGregor's congregation in his own lifetime and that of his successor. The other was the father of the late Rev. George Sutherland, for many years the Free Church minister of Charlottetown, P. E. I.

The first minister of our church settled in C. B., was the Rev. Wm. Miller, of Mabou. In the year 1822, Mr. Miller landed on the wild shores of Cape Breton in the full vigor of manhood. When he commenced his ministry at Mabou he had to make his way in summer heat and winter's cold and snow through pathless forests. Everything was in its most primitive condition. No public highways, no bridges, no comfortable conveyances—and we may add no comfortable homes. So void of ambition, so unassuming, modest and retiring was the veteran worker, that his name had well nigh dropped from the recollection of the church—and few, except those who knew him intimately, could tell what he had done and suffered for the sake of the gospel.

For forty years he labored arduously and not in vain. Having been intimately acquainted with him and having sat under his ministry for some time, I can testify to his usefulness, and by the blessing of God he did a work of which it is perhaps not too much to say, few men would have done so well.

Mr. Miller was not a man of the pen or of books. He studied his Bible and his Bible alone. He kept no diary; wrote no sermons and had but a scanty library, for he was never able to procure recent publications. To him life from first to last was a hard struggle. He was a native of Ayrshire, Scotland. He studied theol-