
A SHORT HISTORICAL SKETCH

attended the University of Toronto, from which he graduated in 1879 in honor classics. He took his M.A. degree the following year. In 1883 he completed his theological course in Knox College, Toronto, winning the degree of B.D. in 1884, and being accorded in 1904, by the same College, *honoris causa*, the degree of D.D. During his University and College course he was from time to time engaged in High School work, first at Galt, then as assistant and afterwards as headmaster at Beamsville; this five years' experience as a teacher has proved of much advantage in his ministerial service. On May 31, 1883, he was, by the Presbytery of Toronto, ordained to the Gospel ministry and inducted into the pastoral charge of Georgetown and Limehouse. The induction into the Bloor Street pastorate took place on September 4th, 1888. In addition to his duties as the minister of a large and leading congregation he has during all these years been privileged to render considerable service in connection with Knox College and on several important Committees of the Church.

ABOUT THE SESSION

THE oversight of the spiritual life and service of such a large body of people, especially in the ebb and flow of modern society, is no small task; it has been of immense advantage to have on the Session of Bloor Street Church so many men of wide experience, of sound judgment, and held in such high repute in the community. The eldership now numbers twenty-four. It is not necessary to give their names for they are known, and known as men wise in counsel and earnest of heart. The mere mention of those who have passed hence to their reward will indicate something of the loss the Session and Congregation have suffered:—Thomas Macfarlane Macintyre (1896), Daniel Gilbert