



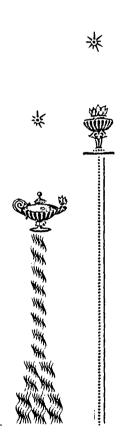


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Rev. Erbenezer Robson.

BENEZER ROBSON was born near Perth, Ontario, Jan 17th, 1835, of devout Presbyterian parentage. He was brought to Christ when but 15 years of age and joined the Methodist Church in Sarnia, where his parents then resided. He was educated at Victoria College, Cobourg, Ont, and received on probation for the ministry. His early evangelistic efforts were rewarded by a blessed ingathering of precious souls at the Great St. James' Btreet church, Montreal, where whe served a term as junior pastor. In October, 1858, he toined the heroic band of missionaries to this Western Province, reaching Victoria, February 10th, 1859.

His first charge here was the Fraser River Gold Fields, where he was found in labors abundant, preaching to miners and Indians alike as opportunity presented. Since then he has filled pastorates at Nanaimo, New Westminster, Chilliwack, Victoria, Vancouver, Ladner, Port Simpson and Vernon, his present charge. He has been honored by his brethern electing him twice in succession to the Presidency of the Conference, and on different occasions as delegate to the General Conference. Through the years his energy and devotion have known no bounds, and few men, if any, have left a deeper impress for good on the life of our beloved Province.