

Hon. Alexander Morris, also represented Lanark in Parliament, was Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, and died in Toronto. Another is yet a resident of Perth.

A little incident will illustrate the strictness of some of the godly pioneers. An elder was to drive a clergyman to an appointment on a bright Sunday afternoon. The minister exclaimed: "This is beautiful weather for the country." The elder turned upon him sharply and rejoined: "Dinna ye ken this is the Sawbath, when ye mauna crack about the weather an' sic worldly things?" The minister did nothing but quote scripture the rest of the journey.

Father's shepherd-dog Oscar, was wiser than many a two-legged creature that wears pantaloons and is supposed to have an immortal soul. Oscar knew when Sunday came and observed it scrupulously. A while before service he would stand in front of the building and watch the people gathering for worship. Any one who walked past he would sieze by the clothes and endeavor to turn towards the entrance. He would station himself near the pulpit during service, stand up during the prayers and, like numbers of human beings, sleep during the sermon. Nor would he hunt squirrels or game on the sacred day. Once father drove to Smith's Falls in a cutter, leaving Oscar shut up in the stable. The dog got out two days afterwards and followed the trail, although several inches of snow had fallen. Knowing Oscar as we did, it was not hard to understand why the poor Indian fondly imagines his faithful dog will keep him company in the happy hunting-grounds.

God favored father with good health and vigor to a remarkable degree. Until laid aside by his last illness, during his ministry of nearly forty-five years, he was unable to preach only one Sunday, because of sickness. He never failed to keep his appointments, no matter how severe the weather and never kept a congregation waiting past the hour for service to begin. Unfortunately fire destroyed most of his books and papers, so that many things it would be pleasant to record have been irrevocably lost.