



REV. WILLIAM J. DEY, M.A.

WILLIAM J. DEY is a native of Hawkesbury, Ontario, and spent his boyhood in Glengarry. He received his college training at McGill University and studied theology at the Presbyterian College, Montreal. He was a gold medalist in Natural Science and Theology.

For two years he was Principal of the British and Canadian School, Montreal. His first pastoral charge was Spencerville, Presbytery of Brockville, where he ministered for seven years with marked success. A new church was built here and a new station opened, a stone church erected at Ventnor, and both of these churches were free of debt before he left.

In 1882 Mr. Dey was Dean of Residence and Lecturer in the Presbyterian College, Montreal, which position he gave up in 1886 to return to the active pastorate.

He was called from evangelistic work in the Maritime Provinces and Ontario, to Erskine Church in 1887. During his labors here some of the most important organizations of the church were formed, such as the Christian Endeavor Society, the Mission Band and the Choir. The Auxiliary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society and the Ladies' Aid Society, which had existed under other names, were constituted in their present form.

Mr. Dey, in December, 1889, accepted a call to St. Paul's Church, Simcoe, where he now labors, surrounded by an earnest and growing congregation, who dearly love their pastor.

Mr. Dey is Chairman of the International Committee on Psalmody, a committee formed for the purpose of preparing a metrical version of the Psalms.