

pastorate. Osnabruck, Oro, Brock, and King were the chief scenes of his ministry, but his field reached from Montreal to Detroit. More than once he drove from end to end of the Province, visiting isolated Protestant families or settlements, preaching in homes or schoolhouses, and enduring considerable hardship from bad roads, rough weather and poor accommodation. His work was done with persistent joy, and unseen foundations were thus laid, upon which have since been reared quite imposing structures. Wherever he went he exalted Christ by word and conduct. Though not a fluent speaker, his intense earnestness and faithful personal work made deep impressions. Sometimes to meet expenses he combined school teaching with preaching, and eventually he decided to divide his time between some business pursuit and the Gospel. This course was adopted for two reasons: He had learned that his impediment in speaking could never be overcome; he also believed Paul's example of independence suited his case.

In 1866 he moved to Ottawa, and after a little experimenting in groceries and ready-made clothing, he found paying work in buying hides on the market. This business was followed with considerable success until he retired. During the former part of his business life he preached in suburban missions or destitute country places almost every Sunday, but as cares increased sermons decreased. For thirty years he was deacon in the First Baptist Church, and proved a good counsellor, a liberal giver and loyal friend of every good work.

When, in 1890, the great sorrow of his only daughter's death came, he decided to retire from business, and devote the remainder of his life to preaching and philanthropic work. He visited the home of his childhood in Mull, found some of his old school mates, preached in Gaelic in the old schoolhouse, and, after an invigorating voyage, returned to Ottawa. Business and home cares seemed to multiply instead of diminish, so that his cherished desire for mission work was never realized. He appeared to have strength for years more of active life, but on Sept. 18, 1897, death came suddenly, giving time for only a few parting words to his only son and beloved wife.

A few days ago Mr. McLean's business partner was visited in his office by the market and asked the question: "What is