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Presbyterianism in Lindsay dates back several years beyond the Century and one staunch member of St. Andrew's Church on William Street had this to say: "This Church has withstood the stress of time and it is one of the finest edifices in the matter of architectural beauty when compared to any church in the area. The Church has a cathedral like appearance inside, as well as on the outside and the tower and the stained glass windows enhance the whole structure."

"Much water has passed over the dam" to use an old saying, since the erection of St. Andrew's and to many senior citizens memory recalls ministers by the name of McTavish, MacMillan, Wallace, Grear, McIntosh and McQueen. Their tenure of office was long in years and successful in ministry and administration.

History records the small frame church which was located on the lots now occupied by Alexandra public school, and later the church on Fran-

cis Street across from the Court house, where at one time was also situated the Francis Street school.

The congregation divided at one time and appears to be part of the history of church congregations with a big split during the years.

Church union was introduced when several prominent families followed their beloved minister, Rev. Finley McIntosh, into the fold of Cambridge United Church. Rev. T. F. Holling was minister of the church on Cambridge Street and it is recalled how this greatly beloved minister and his followers were welcomed to their new denominational home.

Also is well remembered the service when Leslie M. Frost had the pleasant task of presenting Rev. McIntosh, on behalf of the congregation, with a beautiful surplice decorated with colours of a Doctor of Divinity.

The two congregations have continued to respect each other in the spirit of harmony and Christianity.