

Three of the present staff. I have spent a very pleasant vacation during the past few months, and in spite of the work I had to do, I am in first class physical trim, and never felt better in my life. I made the vacation quite profitable too, and was able to pay my life insurance premium without scratching around for the money when it came due. I have earned about \$325 by preaching since the first of January, and, by thus supplementing my salary, have been able to live, though not in luxury or superlative comfort, yet without getting behind. Today is an almost perfect day following a week of rather cold weather, during which I had to have my furnace burning steadily. Yesterday morning we had a heavy frost that killed the tomatoes and cucumber vines as dead as Hector's door nail. But our changes come suddenly and today is like summer again. Perhaps it is "the last rose of summer." But it would be a saving of coal if the cold weather would hold up a while longer. However, I am prepared for any emergency, having laid in my coal for the winter. I am still going in swimming in the lake in the park every day. The water is quite cold and I do not stay in very long, but the stinging of the water makes one feel good and keeps one tough and in the best of condition. I think I will go down again this afternoon. I had a very fine installation service for Pastor Iseler at Port Colborne last Sunday.