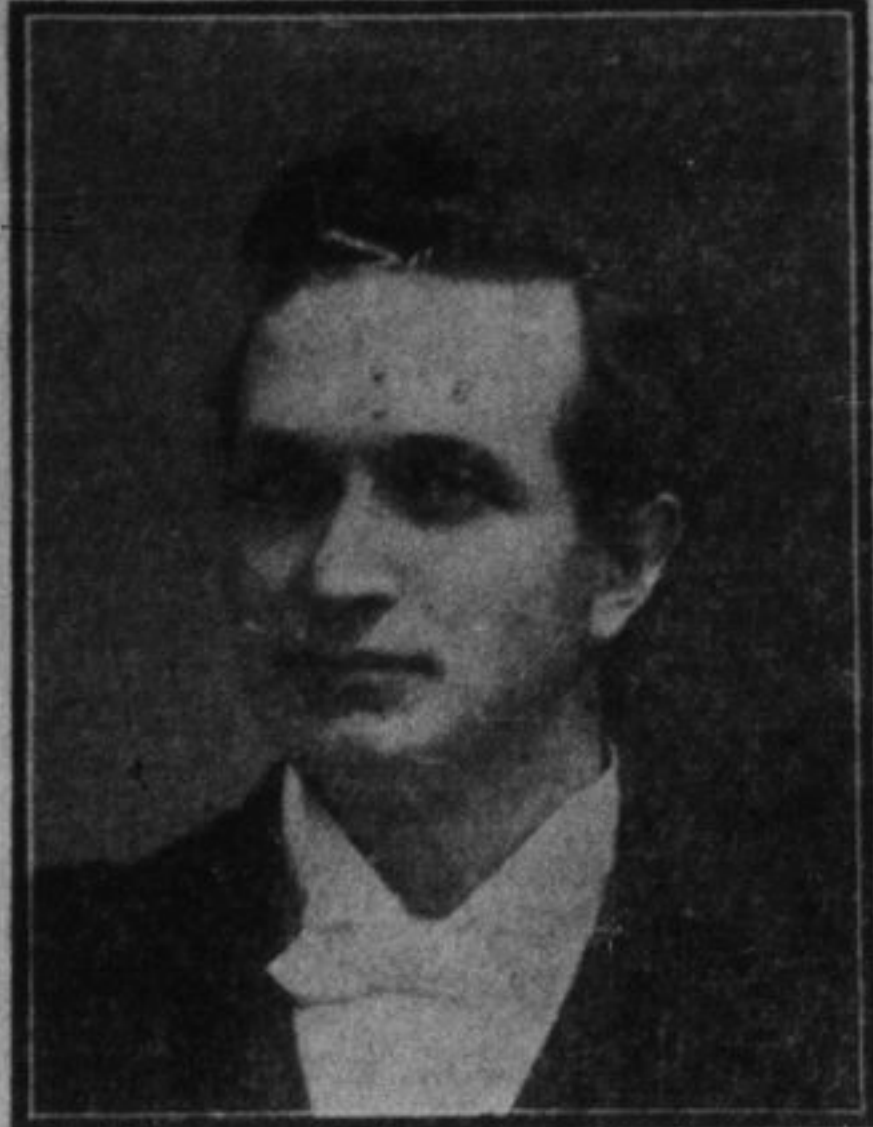


THE DIAMOND JUBILEE OF SYDENHAM ST. METHODIST CHURCH IN KINGSTON

With gratitude to God for His providential care and for tokens of His presence, with appreciation of all help given, and with a deep sense of obligations involved, the congregation of Sydenham Street Methodist church, present the record of sixty years of activity and blessing, and celebrates its diamond jubilee, on Sunday and the first few days of next week.

Among deceased ladies who were leaders in the Woman's Missionary Society were: Mrs. R. J. Chown and Mrs. William Dunlop.

A number of the officials of the church who held office at the time of the fiftieth anniversary have also passed away, among them being: Trustees Edwin Chown, George Richardson, Dr. Isaac Wood, Joseph His-



REV. T. W. NEAL, PASTOR SYDENHAM STREET METHODIST CHURCH.

denham street church holding probably first place in the Montreal conference, and prominent in the churches of Methodism in the dominion, the celebration will be worthy of the best traditions of such an historic church. Rev. Dr. Carman, superintendent of the Methodist church in the dominion, will preach at both services, and his presence alone will create interest and give weight and blessing to such an anniversary. A congregational tea will be held Tuesday evening, at which Principal Gordon, of Queen's, and other speakers will be present.

The church was never in a more prosperous condition in all its organizations, and the jubilee fund, which

cock, Stewards, Henry Cunningham, F. M. Campbell; Robert D. Anglin, local preacher, and Webb Robinson, class leader.

The present officials of the church are:

Ministers—Rev. T. W. Neal, pastor; Rev. E. B. Ryckman, M.A., D.D., superannuated; Rev. Samuel Craig, church secretary, superannuated; Rev. Samuel Shibley, superannuated. Local preachers—A. Shaw, Elmer Davis, L. M. Mayelle. Class leader, A. Shaw.

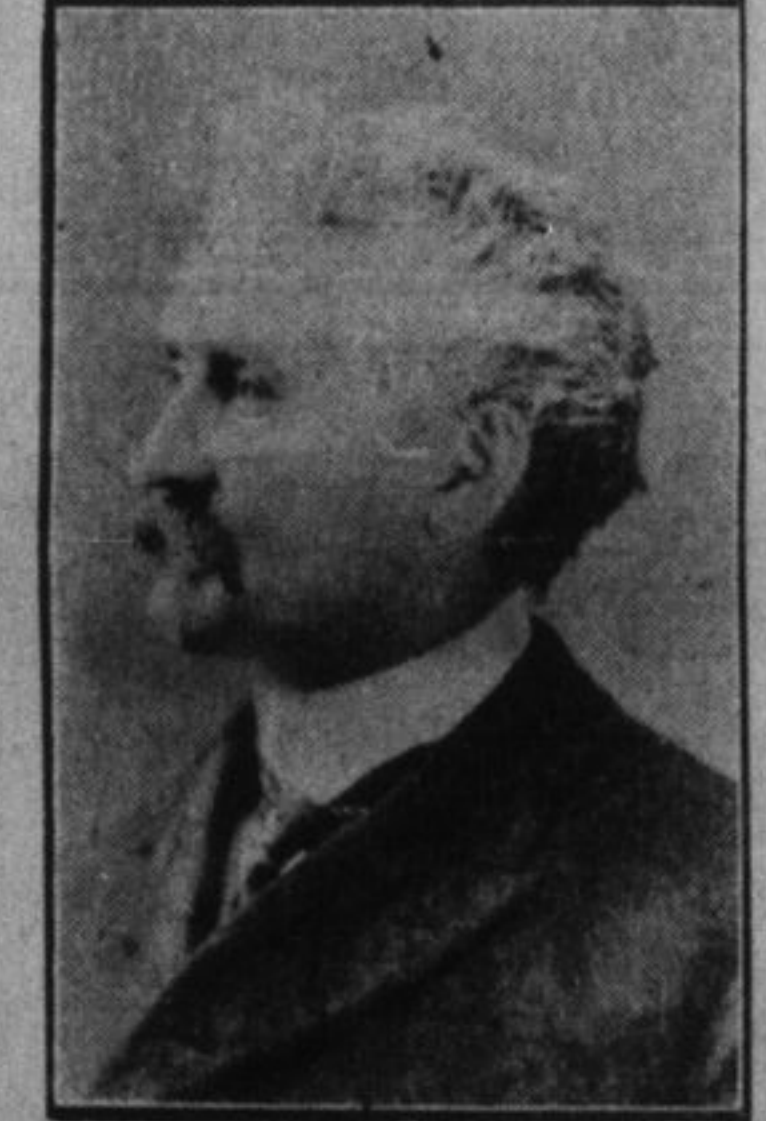
Stewards—Samuel Anglin, treasurer of the church; H. W. Richardson, Dr. A. P. Chown, recording steward; Dr. W. G. Anglin, Oliver Chown; R. F. Greenless, E. P. Jenkins, secretary of the joint boards.

Trustees—Judge C. V. Price, Thomas W. Mills; J. L. Whiting, K.C.; Samuel Anglin, Dr. W. G. Anglin, Dr. A. P. Chown, secretary; A. F. Chown, T. F. Harrison, H. D. Ribby, H. W. Richardson, G. T. Richardson, J. M. Hughes.

Society representatives—W. J. Crothers, S. R. Bailey, F. R. Anglin, P. B. Chown, H. E. Flynn, R. H. Ward, H. E. Pense.

District visitors: William Ferguson, James Knapp, J. P. Pense, W. J. Gibson, Mrs. H. Lyon, Mrs. W. H. Anglin.

In connection with the church is a Bible school, second to none in the dominion in staff organization and equipment. T. F. Harrison has been thirteen years superintendent, and through his untiring efforts and the co-operation of the staff, the school stands out among the schools of all and any denomination. The membership, counting home department and cradle roll, is 650; with these deducted, 475. The total receipts of the school for last year were over \$1,900. It has the most modern system of grading, the various departments separated—cradle roll, primary, junior, intermediate, senior, Chinese, and home. In connection with there is a splendid library. There are seventy-six officers and teachers on the staff,

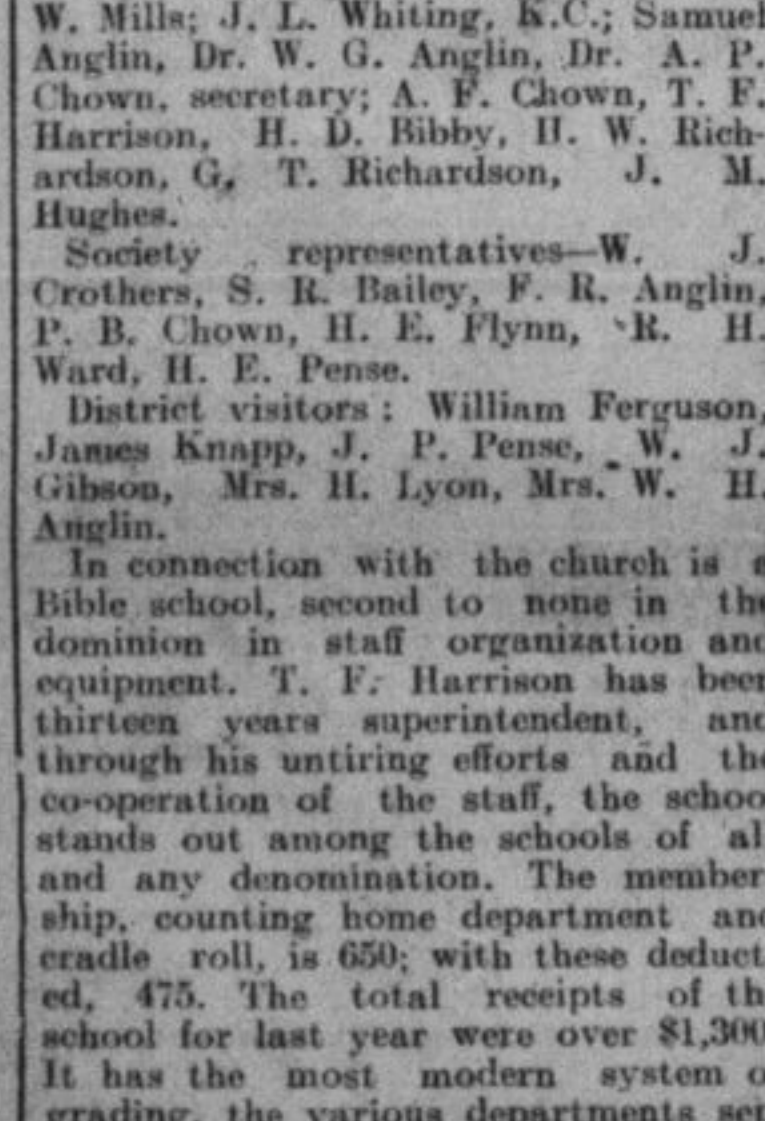


ABRAHAM SHAW, Bible school associate superintendent and class leader.

is being raised, will place it on a satisfactory financial basis.

The pastor, Rev. T. W. Neal, has since his coming to the city, in 1910, won himself and also has his wife a warm spot in the hearts of the people. Mr. Neal is a strong, practical preacher, of pleasing personality, and in pastoral work is devoted and sympathetic. The pastor is greatly assisted by Rev. William Craig, the financial secretary. The choir of thirty-five under the leadership of Prof. James Small, is one of the leading musical organizations in the city. The good congregational singing, through his leadership, is especially marked. The membership of Sydenham reaches 700. About five years ago the church had the services of a deaconess, which were very efficient and thankfully received.

Since Sydenham street church celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, ten years ago, many of the older members have passed away. Rev. Dr. Philp, who was pastor at that time, after a year's illness, died in the summer of 1891. Among the earliest members, who came from the Bay street church, living at the time of the jubilee celebration, but who have died since, were Mrs. Richard Tossell, and her three sisters, Mrs. William Anglin, Mrs. Arthur Chown and Mrs. Whitfield. They were then eighty-eight, eighty-five, eighty and ninety years of age, respectively. Mrs. McRossie,



MRS. M. ASSELSTINE, who still takes a deep interest in the church activities.

worked very hard and were assisted by many of the younger men of the city.

At the conference of 1850, Rev. John Douze was removed, and was succeeded by Rev. Samuel D. Rice, who gave up all his energies to pushing forward the erection of the church. At a meeting held in the parsonage the first trustees of the new church were elected: John Counter, William Anglin, Arthur Chown and Edwin Chown. William Coverdale was appointed architect. The style decided on was Gothic, and the size 60 x 90 feet. Tenders were asked for and contracts awarded, work commenced, and the foundation stone was laid by John Counter on April 17th, 1851. Revs. Rice, John Ryerson and Enoch Wood were present, and the proceedings were followed by a tea in the Bay street chapel.

The work was completed, with the



DR. A. P. CHOWN, Recording steward.

and the majority of the members of the school are adults. Among the young men, the Wesleyan Club is seventy strong.

The Epworth League of the church has a membership of forty-five, with Miss L. Knapp as president. In addition the intermediate and junior leagues are very active, under the superintendency of the Misses H. Anglin and M. MacKenzie, respectively.

Mrs. M. E. Muirhead makes an excellent head of the Woman's Missionary Society, and the Woman's Association progresses with Mrs. H. W. Richardson as president. The branch of the King's Daughters is one of the working forces of the church.

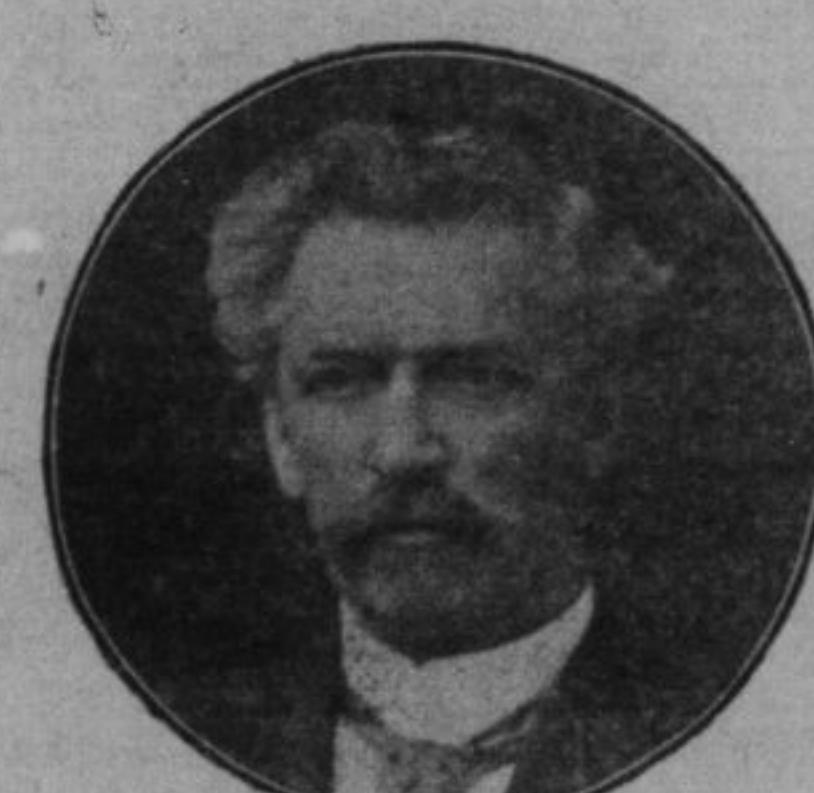
No. 3 Kingston troop of Boy Scouts is also a unit of the congregation's work.

History of Kingston Methodism.

Although the history of the congregation dates back to the first Methodist chapel erected in the city, in the year 1818, on the corner of Bay and Bagot streets, the church on the present site was erected in 1852.

According to the Methodist system the congregation has had many pastors during that time, and for years past the congregation has been considered probably the chief charge of the Montreal conference.

The first Methodist circuit was formed in Canada, in the closing year of the 18th century, embracing Kingston, an important historic and military



H. W. RICHARDSON, Life-long member and trustee.

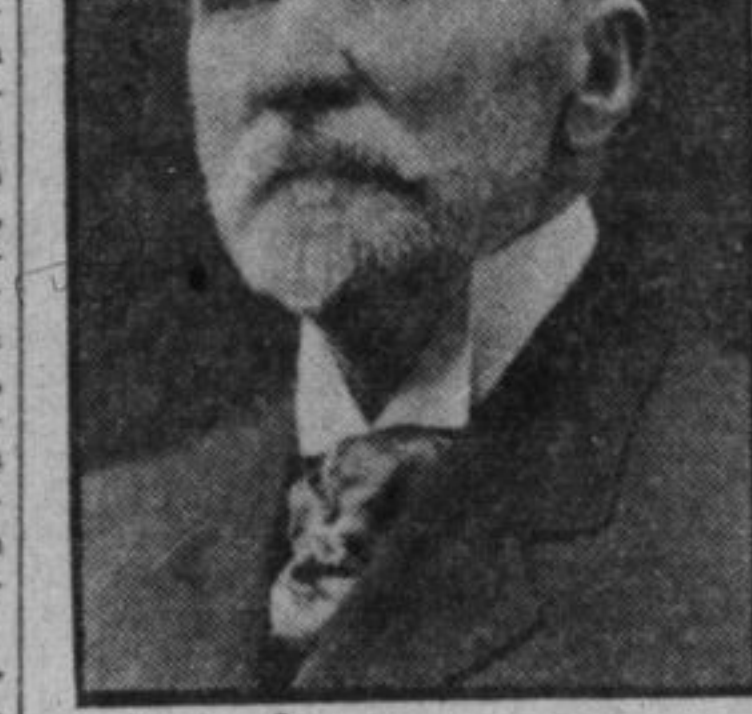
centre (then known as Cataract), and extending west to Napanee and Prince Edward county, enclosing six townships. In 1791 Rev. William Lusk became its first pastor, and the circuit was named after the city. The first church was built at Bay Street. From 1795 to 1821 Kingston was included in what is known as the Bay of Quinte circuit.

The first chapel was built on Bay and Bagot streets, and became known as the Hay street chapel. Some years later two other small chapels were built—one on Wellington street and the other on Johnson street. Subsequently another smaller church was built in Williamsville, which was superseded by the present convenient and active Princess street church.



A. F. CHOWN, Fifty years a member of Bible school and thirty-six years secretary.

exception of the tower and steeple in 1852, and the opening took place in March. The Whig of March 30th, 1852, gives a splendid account of the opening of the new church. Rev. Enoch Wood, president of the conference, and Rev. Egerton Ryerson, were the preachers, to large audiences. The church accommodated 1,000 people. The cost of the land, building, organ and fixtures, was \$27,000.



JOHN MITCHELL, For fifty years in the church choir.

The tower and steeple were completed in 1854.

The church soon filled up, the Bay street congregation moving up. A good many years after the Ladies' Aid built the present commodious parsonage, on William street.

A good many years after more accommodation was felt desirable and Queen street church was erected, both continuing as one circuit until 1879.

In 1878, under the pastorate of Rev. William Galbraith, alterations were made to the interior of the church, the old square pews were removed, the floors raised, the gallery lowered, the interior re-decorated, all of which cost \$5,400.

In 1887, under the pastorate of Rev. J. W. Sparling, extensive enlargement was made. A committee of trustees with J. Power, architect, visited Toronto, looked over new churches there, and the work at Sydenham street was commenced. The expenditure at that time was \$25,000, which resulted in the providing of the handsome church, with Bible school rooms, lecture hall, ladies' parlor, and other accommodations. In 1901 some repairs were made to the steeple. Over \$12,000 was given in subscription for defraying the \$25,000 expense, and the reduction of the debt has been gradual. During Rev. Dr. Griffith's pastorate a new organ was installed at a cost of \$5,300. During the past ten years other improvements have been made, the auditorium has been recarpeted and re-decorated, new chandeliers have been installed, the roof has been renewed and the bible school remodelled and improved.

Pastors Since 1791.

1791—William Lusk.
1792—Darius Dunham.
1793—Darius Dunham.
1794—No record owing to the war.
1795—Kingston in Bay of Quinte circuit from 1795 to 1821.



1822—Philander Smith.
1823—John Hick.
1823-5-6—Again united to Bay of Quinte circuit.
1827—Ezra Healey, Cyrus R. Allison.
1828—David Wright, John C. Davidson.
1829—Ephraim Evans, Thomas Beville.
1830—James Richardson, Richard Jones.
1831—William Smith.
1832—William Smith.
1833—William Ryerson.
1834—Joseph Stinson.
1835—Joseph Stinson.
1836—William Lord, Egerton Ryerson, John G. Maney.
1837—William M. Harvard, Egerton Ryerson.
1838—Matthew Lang.
1839—Matthew Lang.
1840—John C. Davidson.
1841—John Carroll.
1841—Henry Wilkinson.
1842—Henry Wilkinson.
1843—Edwy M. Ryerson, Isaac H. Howard.
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1845—Lachlan Taylor.
1846—Edmund Shepherd, James C. Slater.
1847—George H. Davis, Isaac B. Howard.
1848—William Squire.
1849—John Douze, E. B. Harper.
1850—Samuel D. Rice, E. B. Harper.
1851—Samuel D. Rice, Charles LaVell, Richard Clarke.

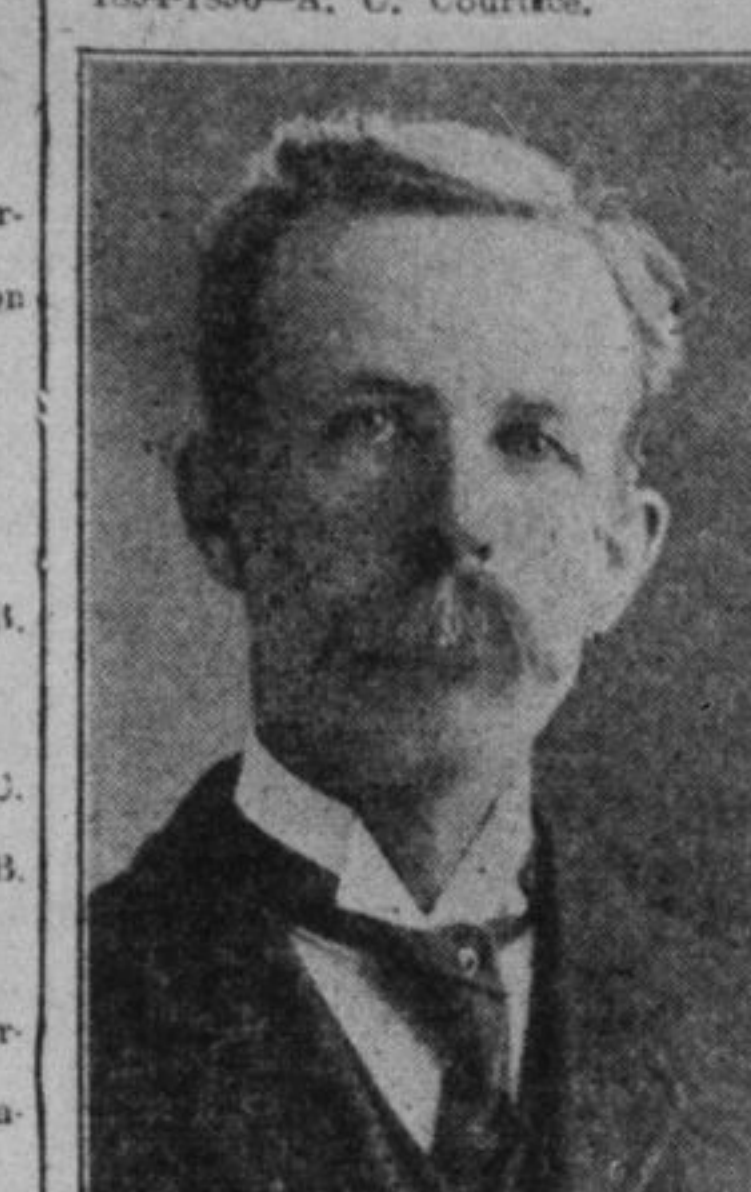
1852—Samuel D. Rice, Charles LaVell.
1853—John Ryerson, G. A. F. J. Dickson.
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1856—George Douglas, Thomas S. Keough.
1857—Ephraim Evans, Jonathan E. Betts.
1858—Ephraim Evans, J. E. Sanderson.
1859—William Pollard, J. E. Sanderson.
1860—William Pollard, N. R. Wilmoughby, T. W. Jeffrey.
1861—George Young, N. R. Wilmoughby, T. W. Jeffrey.
1862—George Young, W. C. Henderson.



MRS. A. GARDINER, One of the oldest members and workers.

1865—John Gemley, J. B. Clarkson.
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1866—E. B. Ryckman, M.A., Thom Derrick.
1867—E. B. Ryckman, M.A., W. W. Ross.
1878—E. B. Ryckman, M.A., Thomas Brock.
1869—Henry F. Bland, John Scanlan.
1870—Henry F. Bland, Donald G. Sutherland.
1871—George R. Sanderson, D. G. Sutherland.
1872—George R. Sanderson, W. Wellington Carson.
1873—George R. Sanderson, Richard Eason.
1874—James Elliott, Richard Eason.
1875—James Elliott, James Allen.
1876—James Elliott, James Allen.
1877—William Galbraith, B.C.L., J. G. Crozier.
1878—William Galbraith, B.C.L., W. Jackson.
1879—William Galbraith, B.C.L., 1880—1883—James Elliott.
1883—1886—Leroy Hooker.
1886-1889—J. W. Sparling.
1889-1890—W. W. Carson.
1891-1894—Thomas Griffith, Ph.D.
1894-1896—A. C. Courtice.

1896-1899—J. E. Starr.
1899-1902—E. B. Lancelotti.
1902-1904—John Philp, M.A., D.D.
1903-1905—W. T. G. Brown.
1905-1907—C. E. Manning.
1907-1910—C. E. Sykes, B.D.
1910-1912—T. W. Neal.



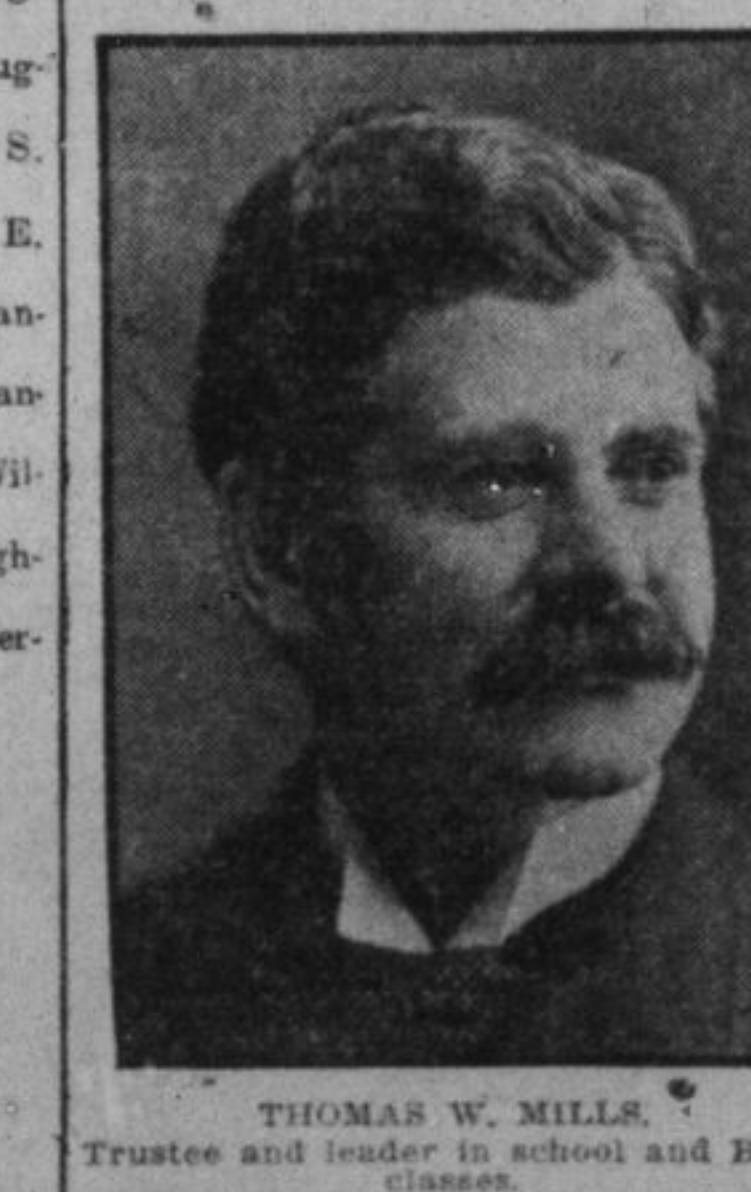
T. F. HARRISON, Superintendent of the Bible school.

THE KING'S KINDLY ACT.

Help Welsh Lad Who Had Lost His Feet.

London, March 15.—A Welsh lad, Idris Thomas, who recently had to have both his feet amputated owing to tuberculosis, received from King George a gift of money to enable him to buy artificial feet.

Thomas, yesterday, painfully made his way to Buckingham palace for the purpose of personally thanking the king, who, however, at the time was absent. Hearing of the call and of the lad's disappointment, King George had him sent for and received him. His majesty gave the lad a scarf pin as a memento of the occasion and sent him into Treloar Cripples' Home, where he is to be taught a trade.



THOMAS W. MILLS, Trustee and leader in school and Bible classes.

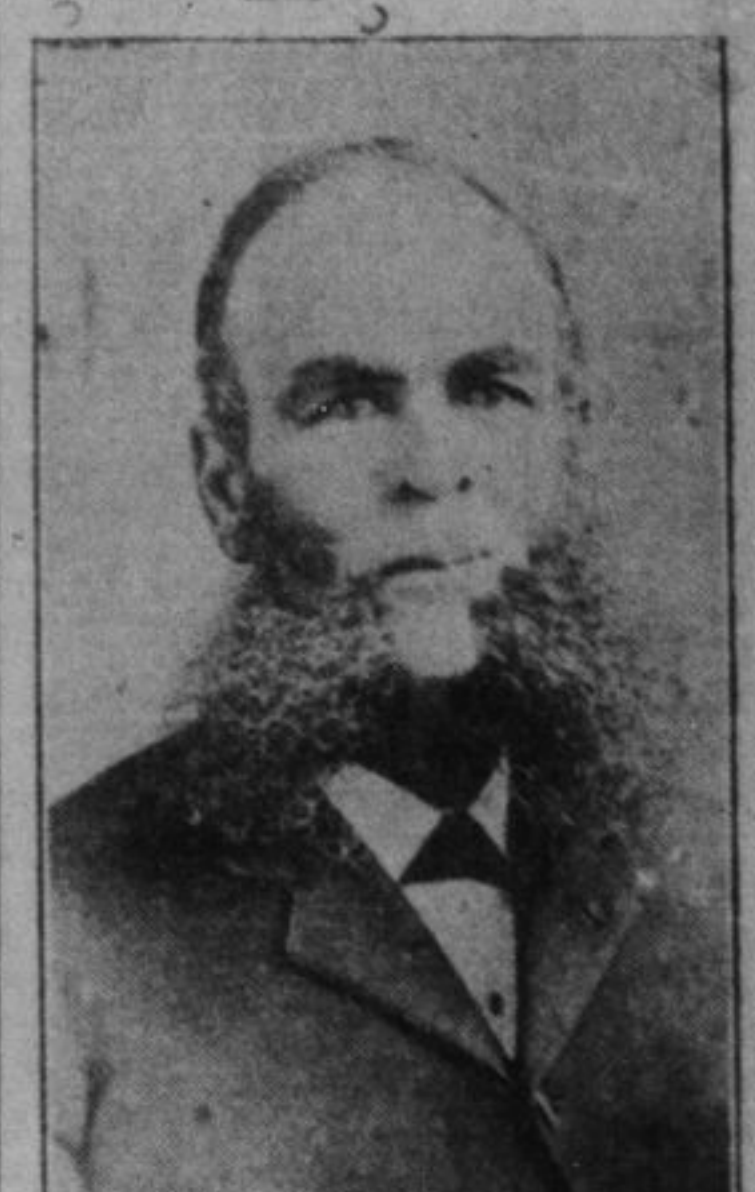
DON'T WANT TO LOSE BEARDS.

Chorus Men Threaten Strike if Compelled to Shave.

Paris, March 15.—The opera is threatened with another strike, this time among the male chorus singers. The trouble threatens to arise over Massenet's new opera, "Roma," wherein the chorus has to represent the potent, grave and revered members of the Roman senate, who never allowed their beards to grow. The male chorus is not resigned to sacrifice the beard in the cause of art. They plead that an engagement as chorus singer at the opera does not bring in sufficient to live upon, and that they have to supplement their pay by singing in churches and taking other jobs where they would not be allowed to appear without mustaches and beards. "Roma" will not be played before the end of March, so that there is still time to arrange matters.

The city of Hamburg will build a Green-mile municipal railroad to test the advisability of the plan to the municipal traction system.

Safety matches were first invented in Sweden in 1855.

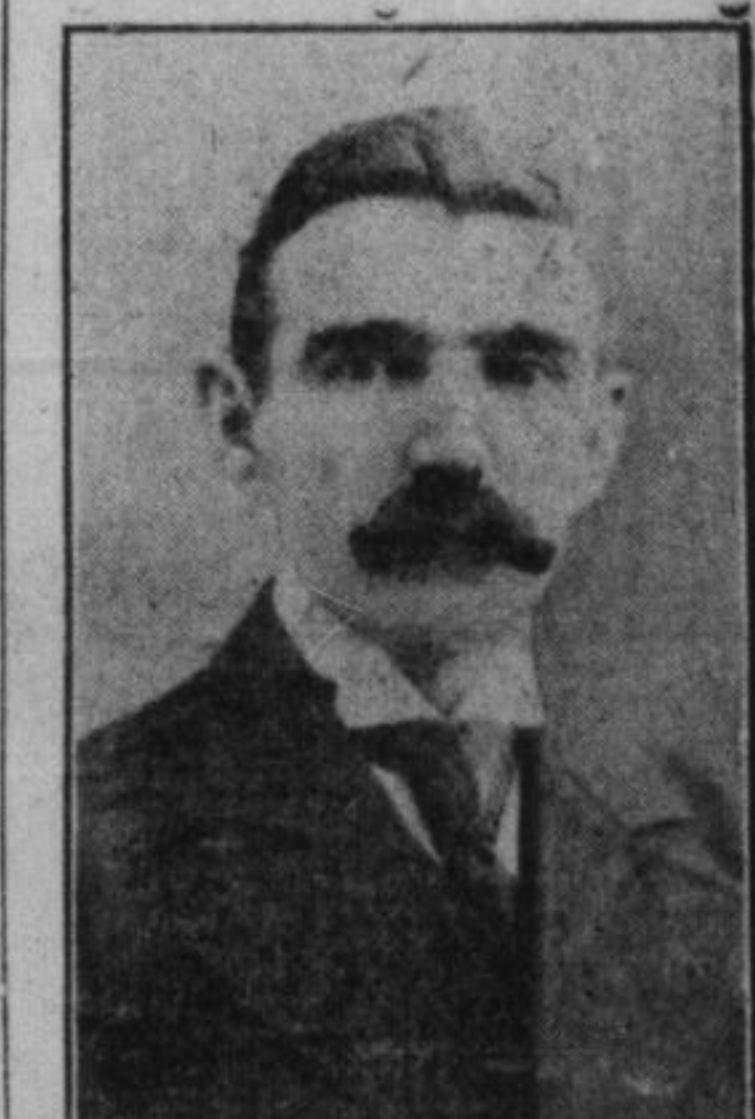


SAMUEL ANGLIN, Treasurer of church and one of the oldest members.

THE LIVINGSTONE CHANNEL.

Ten-million-dollar Improvement Will be Opened About July 1.

Windsor, March 15.—Preparations for the opening of the new Livingstone channel will begin as early in the spring as possible, and, according to present plans, the channel will be available for use about July 1st. Plans are as yet indefinite, but that the opening will be attended with a ceremony is certain. The Livingstone channel is next in importance to the Soo locks in the development of lake commerce, and in many ways the engineering problems attendant on the construction of the channel exceed in difficulty even those encountered in the construction of the locks. The construction of the Livingstone channel has occupied five years, and the cost is in the neighborhood of \$10,000,000, one of the most expensive single improvements on the lakes.



MAYOR F. J. HOAG, who is chief librarian in Bible school.

MARRY OR LEAVE.

Notice Served on Bachelor Tenants by Council.

Dublin, March 15.—The district council of the small town of Dunscaughlin, in the county of Meath, has ordered all the bachelor tenants of several cottages to get married within three months or leave the houses.

Drove Into Unused Quarry.

Bellefleur, March 15.—A middle aged man, George Sweenor, a livery man at Point Anne, while driving from Shanville to his home, owing to the darkness of the night drove into an unused quarry, sustaining painful injuries.

Three ribs were broken, his collar bone broken, and he was severely cut about the face and head. He was brought to the hospital here for treatment.

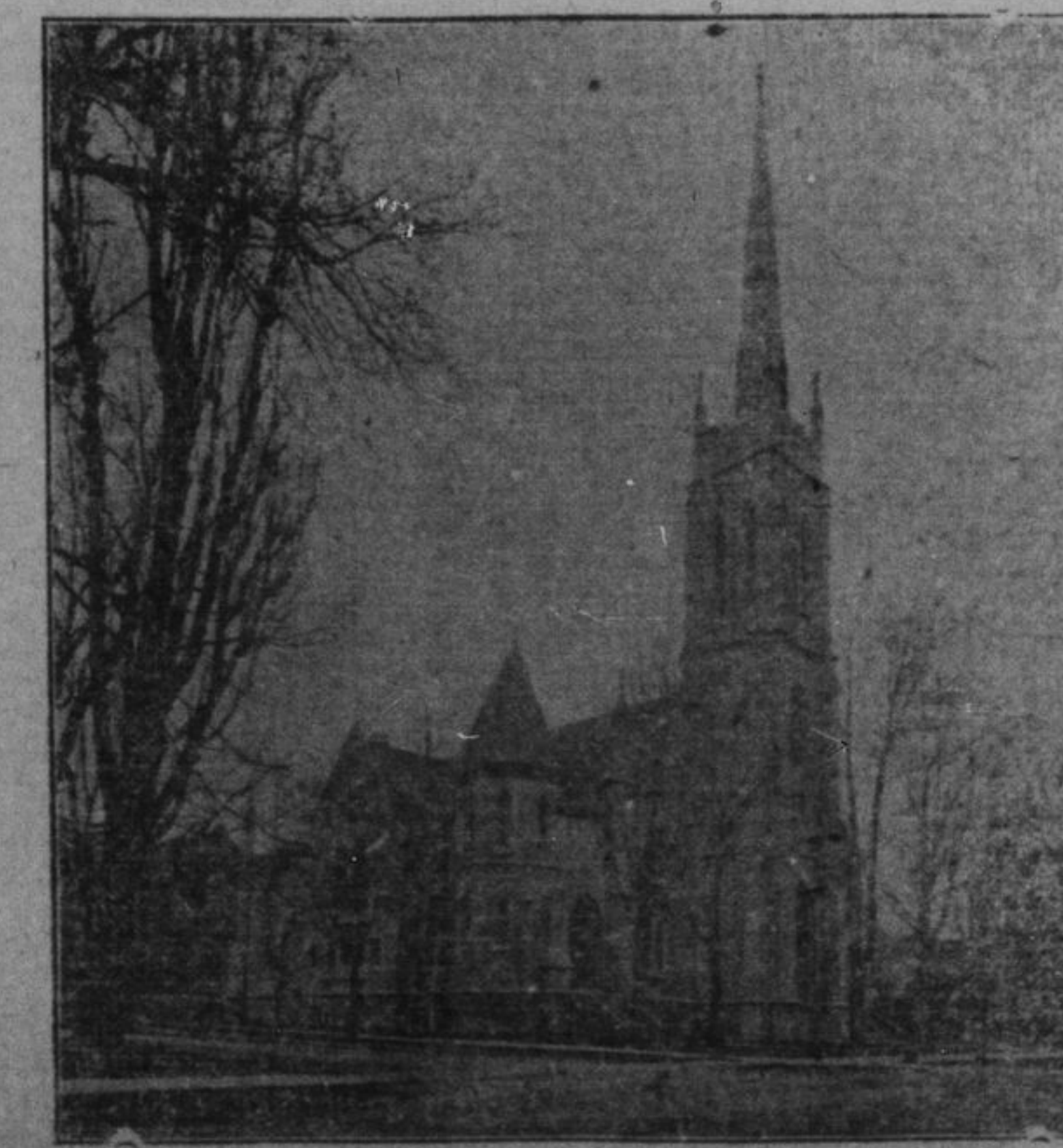
A Leap Year Twin.

Littleton, N.H., March 15.—The funeral took place of Mrs. Annie Taylor, widow of A. H. Taylor, and a native of St. Hyacinthe, Que. She and her sister, Mrs. Warren McIntyre, were known as the famous leap year twins, born Feb. 29th, 1845. Her daughter is Mrs. Mary Odell, of Sherbrooke, Que.



PROF. JAMES SMALL, Organist and choirmaster.

An ordinary tin wash basin, with a hole cut in the centre of the bottom to fit a lamp, will make an efficient reflector for an incandescent light.



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