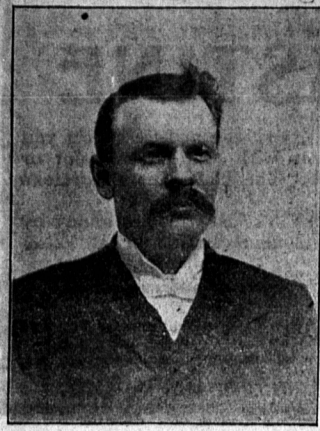


SHORT HISTORY OF THE CHARLOTTETOWN BAPTIST CHURCH



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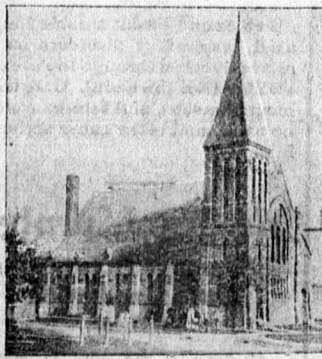
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There has just been issued from the hands of the printers, Hazzard & Moore, a neat and artistic year book of the Prince Street Baptist Church containing a short history of the Charlottetown congregation with the annual report for the year ending December 31st, 1904.

There are excellent photographs of many of the pastors, the old and present churches etc.

The Charlottetown Baptist Church came into being under the following circumstances.

Thomas DesBrisay, being convinced that believers' immersion is the only scriptural mode of baptism, was baptized (October, 1827) by Rev. Charles Tupper, father of Sir Charles Tupper, then on a mission to the Island. This baptism, being the first in Charlottetown caused a great deal of enquiry on the subject. Others followed in the same steps, and in the spring of the year 1835 the brethren commenced holding prayer meetings. Soon after this a room which would seat about one hundred persons, was rented and fitted up for preaching services.

Rev. Benjamin Scott when in town would attend these meetings and preach to the people.

Rev. George McDonald, who was on the Island on a mission from the Nova Scotia Baptist Board of Missions, by request organized the church in August, 1836, with the following members: Thomas DesBrisay, John Uhlman, William Ba'n, James Caffray, Isaac Jackson, Jane Lallow, Christina C. Bagnall, Nancy Reid, Isabella Mitchell. Thomas DesBrisay was appointed deacon.

A short time after the formation of the church, it was much refreshed by a visit from Rev. Charles Munroe, of Onslow, N. S. A little later Rev. T. S. Harding, of Horton, N. S., visited and encouraged the struggling organization.

Rev. Benjamin Scott was engaged as the first Pastor, in March, 1837. He preached and administered the Lord's Supper once a month. The membership of the church at that time was twenty one.

The successive stages of the church are shown in the book. The church united with the N.S. conference in 1837 and the same autumn the building was enlarged.

In Aug. 24th, 1845 the first house of worship owned by the church was opened. It stood where W. K. Rogers' residence now is.

In 1848 Rev. Silas T. Rand became pastor and in 1850 Rev. Benj. Scott again became pastor at a salary of £100.

In July 1850 a Sunday School was organized; in October 1852 Rev. W. H. Hobbs became pastor and in 1853 the church building was removed to a site next the present Merchants Bank of P. E. I.

In March 1854 the P. E. I. Baptist Association was formed and in May of the same year Dr. Knox became pastor but resigned at the end of four months. He was an eloquent preacher and a godly man.

In October 1854 Rev. C. J. Burnett became pastor and in 1857 the church was without a minister.

On May 23, 1858 Rev. John Davis arrived and remained as minister for fifteen years. He was succeeded in 1874 by Rev. W. B. Haynes, who in turn was followed by Rev. D. G. McDonald in 1876. He continued till 1882, with the exception of one year, May 1879, - June 1880 when Rev. Herbert Poshay took his place. During these six years about two hundred persons were added to the membership of the church. During Mr. McDonald's pastorate it was found that the old church building was too small, and that the time had arrived when a new and more commodious edifice should be erected. Mr. McDonald undertook to bring this about, and succeeded so well that a large modern church home on the corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets was formally opened on December 14, 1879.

The morning sermon was preached by Rev. W. B. Hinson; he was assisted by Rev. D. G. McDonald and also by Rev. Malcolm Ross, who made the dedicatory prayer. The afternoon sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Cowperthwaite, pastor of the First Methodist Church; he was assisted by Rev. John McLeod, pastor of Zion Presbyterian Church. The evening sermon was preached by Rev. John Knox, M. D. The special opening service was continued on Sunday, December 21st, when Rev. J. B. Woodland, assisted by Rev. W. J. Swafeld, conducted the morning service. In the afternoon Rev. Mr. Harris, pastor of the Bible Christian Church, preached; he was assisted by Rev. George M. Campbell, pastor of the Second Methodist Church. In the evening the service was conducted by Rev. E. N. Archibald and Rev. Trueman Bishop.

On April 14, 1882 Rev. Mr. McDonald resigned and was succeeded by Rev. Edward Whitman.

In 1886 the tower of the church was destroyed; in 1887 the Maritime Baptist Convention met here and on May 15 1888 the fine church building that had been



REV. D. G. McDONALD.

erected only eight years before, was destroyed in a conflagration that also burned up a number of fine residences, a roller rink, a skating rink and other buildings. The church, by the loss, was left homeless, with a debt of about \$5,000.00. It was thought by some that under such a crushing disaster, the

church would be wiped out, but it was not so to be.

The Y. M. C. A. Hall was secured for services and Rev. J. A. Gordon D. D. took up the pastoral work in March 1889. During his incumbency the present church was completed at a cost of \$12,000 and opened on Jan. 11, 1891.

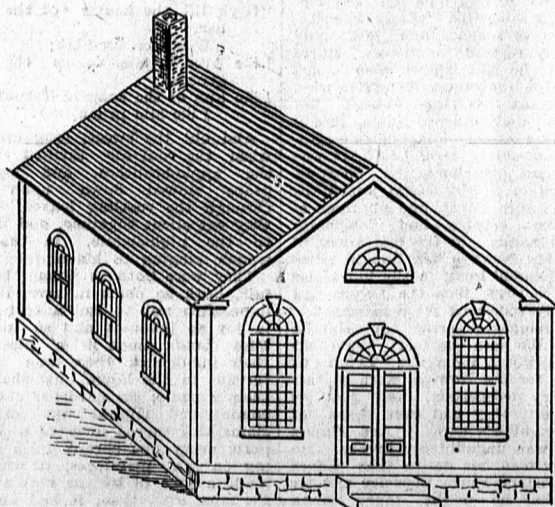
Rev. Mr. Gordon retired June 7th, 1893 leaving the church he found homeless and pastorless four years before with a united membership, and a fine new building accomplished at very little increase to the debt.

Rev. C. W. Corey succeeded in September 1893, Rev. G. R. Raymond in October 1893, Rev. J. L. Miller in 1902, and Rev. G. R. White the present esteemed pastor on June 14th, 1903. The church at this time was without a parsonage and Mr. White with great energy and zeal set to work and in October 1904 he was able to move into a fine, up-to-date home.

This building cost about \$2,800.00. The architect was John P. Nicholson, and the builders were Lowe Brothers. Mr. White, in addition to bringing about the erection of the building, was also instrumental in providing ways and means for meeting the cost thereof. He secured subscriptions for about two-thirds of the required amount, and so arranged for the balance that the enterprise does not add to the annual expenditure of the church.

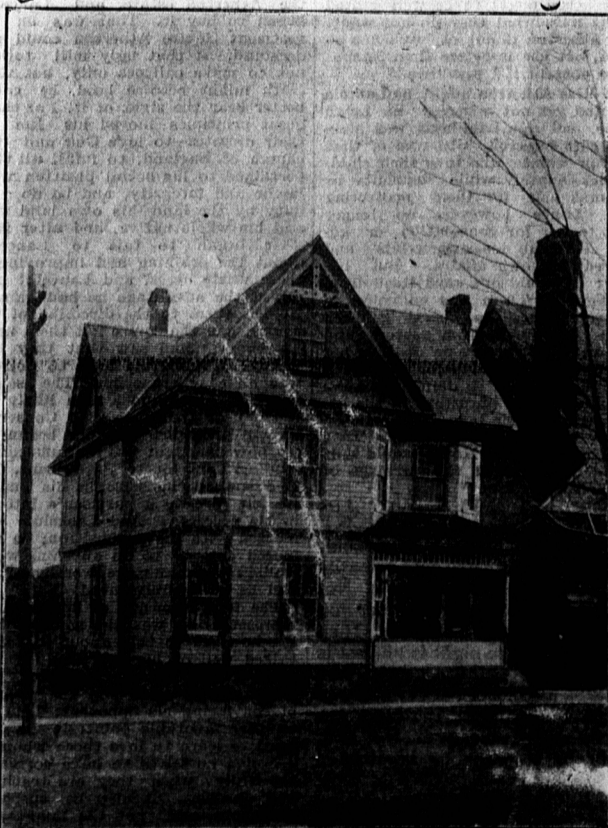


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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH HERE

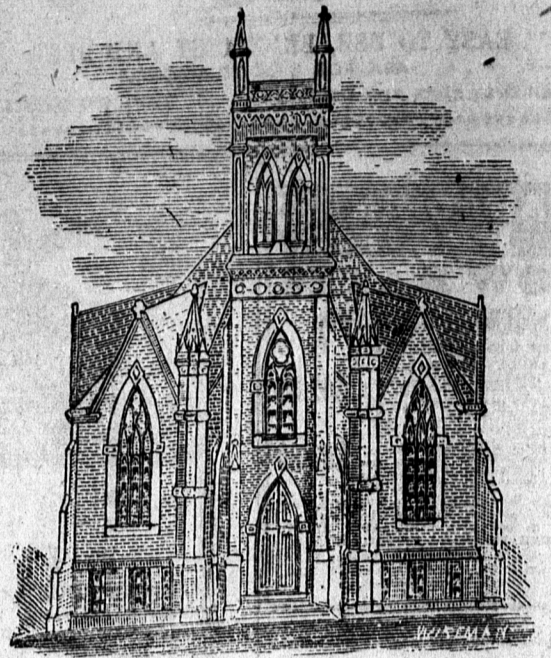
Opened Aug. 1815. First stood on site of W. K. Rogers' house, Prince Street, and later removed to lot next present Merchants Bank of P. E. I.



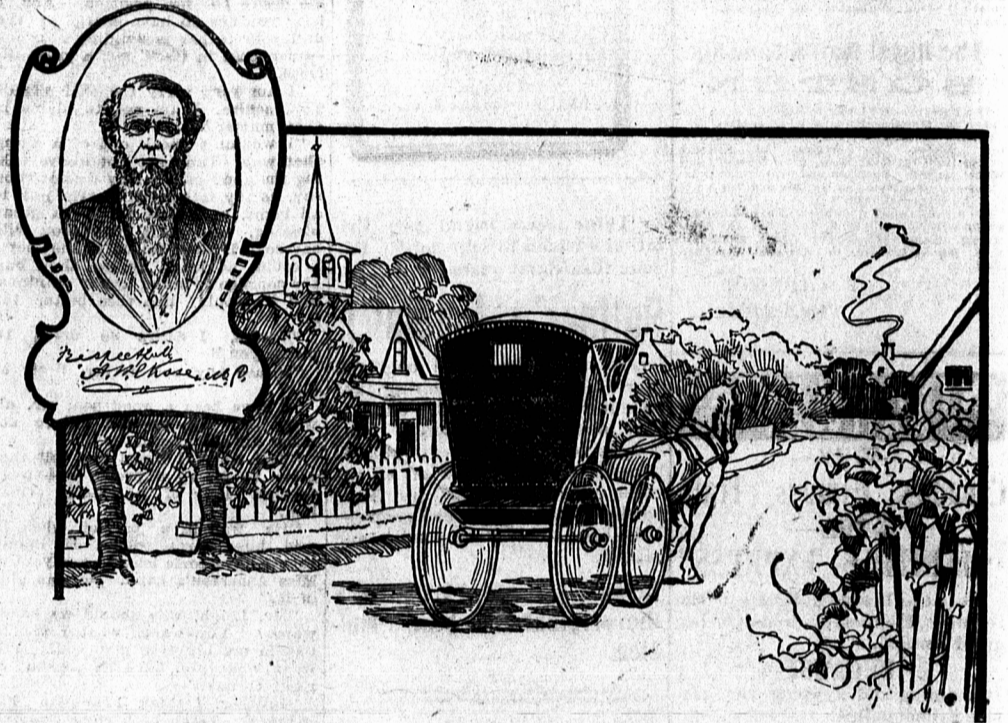
THE BAPTIST PARSONAGE, ERECTED 1904.



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The First Pastor of the Church.



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