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ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH,

Where the General Assembly is meeting, and where the first
Presbytery in Canada was constituted

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General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada

THE Halifax Entertainment Committee for the Presbyterian General Assembly, in presenting this Booklet to the Commissioners, hope that their visit to this Atlantic gateway of the Dominion may be happy, that the Commissioners may enjoy our exhilarating sea breezes, and that they may obtain a new idea of the importance of Halifax as one of the great cities of Canada.

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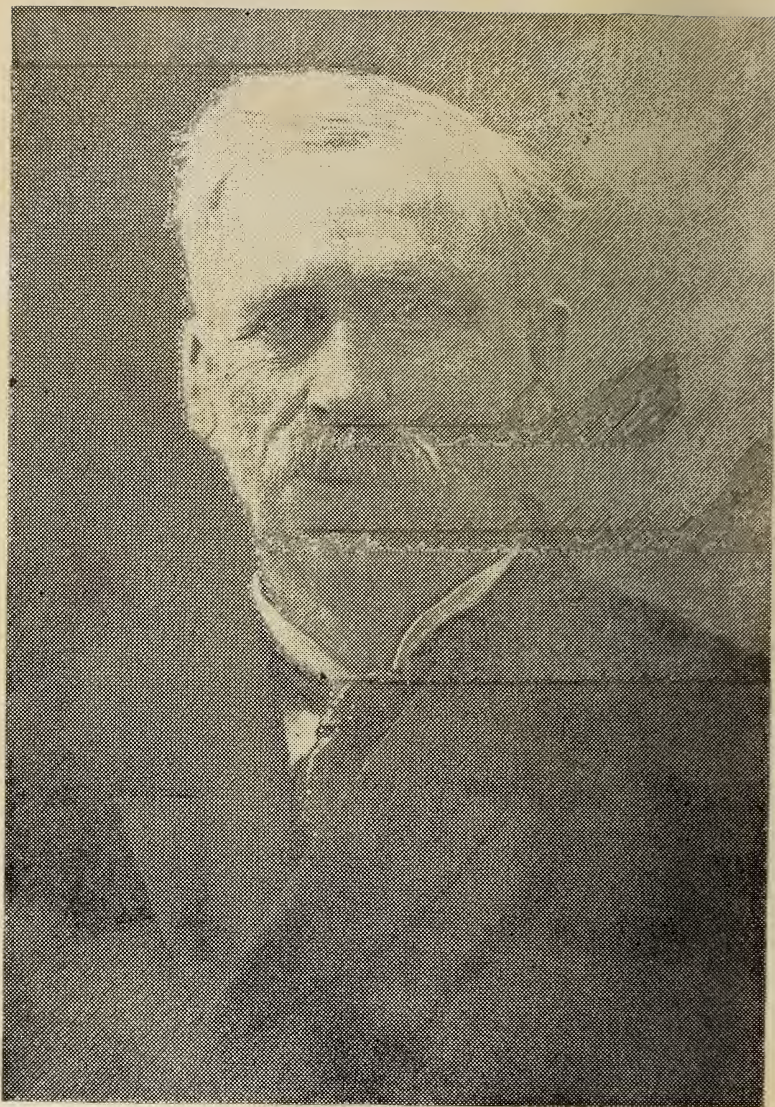


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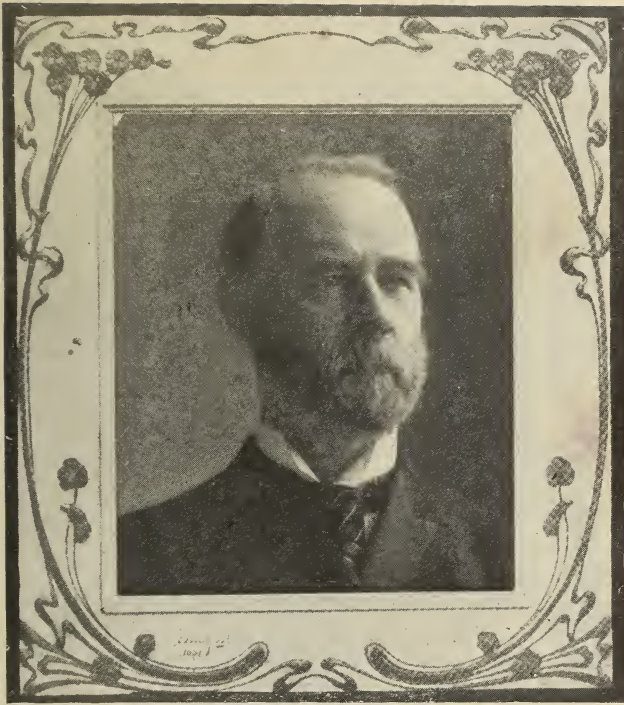


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The Meaning of Halifax.

WHAT is Halifax? In the eighteenth century England stretched a long arm across the sea and grasped a continent. Our city was a finger on the tenacious hand.

In the secular struggle with France for America, far-seeing men perceived that England needed a naval base in Nova Scotia, to offset the power of Louisbourg, the French stronghold in Cape Breton, and Halifax was founded on the shore of Chebucto Harbor in 1749. The man in charge was Col. Cornwallis, uncle to the British general who surrendered at Yorktown. The first settlers were soldiers and sailors from the British forces just disbanded after the war of the Austrian Succession, when the British sword was drawn in defense of Maria Theresa. With such antecedents our Pilgrim Fathers were scarcely the most quiet and decorous class of citizens imaginable. About the place has clung the ancient eighteenth century tradition of riot and license. The other determining influences on the character of the city were the coming of the New England traders to the new city where King George's guineas flowed like water and, later, of the Guild of Scottish merchants. The Rev. Mr. Tully, curate of St. Paul's, gives discouraging accounts of both the original settlers and the money-making, sanctimonious Yankees.

The military history of Halifax is important. In the seven years war, it played a great part. Here the mighty armaments of Loudon, Wolfe, Saunders and Boscawen assembled to move on Louisbourg. The "Dunkirk of America" fell in 1758 and the road was open to Quebec the next year. It is hardly too much to call the founding of Halifax the deciding move in the great war-game between England and France played for no smaller stakes than a continent.

In war-time Halifax has always prospered. In 1756, Malachy Salter, a pillar of St. Matthew's (or St. Mather's) Church, began fitting out privateers to prey on the enemy's commerce.

This sporting kind of business venture was a favorite form of investment with Halifax merchants through three great wars. During the latter years of the Napoleonic struggle in particular, it rained gold in Halifax. Many of our Halifax private fortunes and public enterprizes took their origin at this time. Though often in danger, Halifax was never seriously assaulted. Kipling is right in calling our ramparts virgin.

The great age of Halifax was while the Duke of Kent, the father of Queen Victoria, was commander of the forces from 1794 to 1800 and during the *regime* of the royal governors, several of them old Waterloo officers, who followed him. One, the Earl of Dalhousie, founded the college which bears his name.

Halifax is rich in historic interest. The Province Building is our local Westminster Abbey with memorials of Nova Scotia's famous sons, Howe, Haliburton ("Sam Slick"), Williams of Kars, Sir Provo Wallis, who brought the "Shannon" and the "Chesapeake" into Halifax Harbor, on June 6th, 1813. Here also may be seen the very charts that Nelson used. St. Paul's Church on the Parade is the most interesting Protestant church in Canada. The monuments on its walls are an epitome of civic history. St. Paul's churchyard (opposite St. Matthew's) contains the ashes of Major-general Robert Ross who commanded the British forces which burned Washington, and of sailors from the "Shannon." The Round Church, the old Dutch Church, the old Garrison Chapel, Government House, the citadel, the dock-yard, the gun-wharf have all their interest and their legends. The harbor, the forts, the batteries, the Basin, the North-West Arm, Point Pleasant Park, the Gardens are worth knowing, both for their picturesqueness and their associations.

Though shorn of her ancient glory Halifax of today has undoubtedly a great future, as she has a great past. No eye is so dull as not to perceive the majesty of her situation and environs and her strategic and commercial importance as one of the two eastern gateways of Canada.

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**J. A. Johnson, President of Halifax Board of Trade and Chairman of
General Assembly Entertainment Committee.**

Halifax as an Industrial and Commercial Centre.

HALIFAX is unique in the possession of many privileges and advantages. It is situated on a port unsurpassed in the wide world for accessibility and safety; it is the one port on the American mainland nearest to Europe, open the year round; it is a fortified city; it is a headquarters for ocean cables; it is the capital of a province with half a million population and vast treasures of developed and undeveloped mineral wealth; it is a great educational centre; it is the centre from which sprang an extensive banking system with branches throughout the whole Dominion and even reaching to leading centres in the neighboring republic; it is the Atlantic terminus of the Canadian government system of railways; it is a point from which railways diverge east, west and north and east; it is the terminus of regular ocean lines to Europe and the West Indies; it is the port from which an immense coastwise traffic is carried by steamer and sail; it is close to the track of navigation between Europe and New York; it has a graving dock to accommodate the largest craft afloat; it is the home of many philanthropic institutions; in situation and environment it is picturesque and beautiful; it has an equable and pleasant climate. The possession, not of one of these, but of so many advantages makes Halifax unique. Halifax has ambitions, aspirations, energy, faith. Much has been accomplished by the people in this old city, and some in the present generation are determined that what has been done shall be but the beginning of what is yet to be attained.

Halifax believes that this port must become the western terminus of a Fast Atlantic steamship service between Great Britain and Canada that will equal the lines to New York, and will secure the passenger business and much of the freight now going up the St. Lawrence and to American ports, and also that it must be the effective terminus of some or all of our trans-continental railway systems.

Halifax claims to be, par excellence, the Atlantic port of Canada. Situated in latitude 44.39 N., longitude 63.35 W., 2,450 miles from Liverpool, near the line of the great circle between New York and ports in Great Britain, it is from one to two days nearer the latter than any other port on this side of the Atlantic between St. John and New York. "From an acquaintance with some of the best harbors in the world," said the late Captain J. Taylor Wood, "such as Naples, San Francisco, Rio de Janeiro, I know of none that combines so many advantages as Halifax. The harbor opens directly on the Atlantic, is easy of access at all times; has comparatively small rise and fall of tide; safe and commodious; of uniform depth 10 to 12 fathoms; good holding ground; well buoyed and lighted."

A steamer of 20 knots can land passengers in Halifax in five days from Liverpool; of 25 knots in four days. A steamer of average speed can make 13 trips between Halifax and Liverpool while she would be making only twelve to any other present rival port—an annual saving of over 8 per cent. The land haul must be very considerably longer to cancel this advantage, which is only one of many in favor of this port.

Nova Scotia is the "long wharf of the Dominion," and Halifax is a pivotal point in the world's commerce in water freights. It is nearer Pernambuco, the pivotal point of South America than British ports or than Atlantic or gulf ports of the United States. The same is geographically true as to South Africa, and the west coast of the two Americas. When the Panama canal is cut, the advantage which the Suez route now affords British and European manufacturers in the Far East will be removed and the vast markets of the Pacific Islands and of the Orient will be open to Nova Scotia producers and manufacturers and to shipping from Halifax.

This volume of shipping at Halifax has varied but little from year to year. Against it is but one total loss in more than a quarter of a century. No other port in Eastern Canada can present a like record.

The navigable channel entering Halifax harbor, at its narrowest part is three-eighths of a mile wide. New York has not 1,200 feet in its channel, and the tide has to be waited for. Competing ports have tides which place an embargo on naviga-

tion a part of every day. Halifax has a rise and fall of some four feet, and no mariner here ever requires to think of the tide.

The proximity of Halifax to great coal and iron fields on the mainland of this province and in Cape Breton, the low cost of power, abundant material from which to obtain intelligent skilled labor, its convenient facilities for the carriage of goods by rail and water, its central location and commanding position for the economical supplying of home and foreign markets, are among the factors which enable Halifax to offer exceptional inducements for the establishment of manufactures. The success of large existing industrial establishments in this city shows what may be accomplished by the intelligent application of capital and energy.

No city in Canada has a more advantageous geographical situation or more charming environment than has Halifax; none has a brighter outlook; in none are the people more prosperous. Here there is room for the capital, the brains and the skill of our own people and of those who come to help us grasp the opportunities ready to hand, and develop the resources that have waited all these years.



Halifax from the Citadel.

Halifax as a Tourist City.

HALIFAX, the capital of Nova Scotia, blest with splendid summer climate, ideal situation, noble harbour, and beautiful surroundings, has long been in great favor as a place of summer sojourn. The city occupies a commanding position on a rocky peninsula and was for long years



The Citadel Gate.

the chief British military and naval station in America. Now it is garrisoned by Canadian troops and is headquarters for Canada's part of the Royal Navy. The water on the west is the Northwest Arm, a stretch of about three miles in length and a quarter of a mile in width. To the south and east is the harbor, which narrows as it reaches the upper end of the city and expands into Bedford Basin with its ten square miles of safe anchorage. The Basin terminates at a distance of nine miles from the city, and is navigable for the whole distance. The city proper is on the eastern slope of the peninsula and rises from the sea level to a height of two hundred and fifty-six feet at the Citadel. On the eastern side of the harbor is Dartmouth. In the harbor is George's Island, while at the entrance, three miles below, is McNab's Island, whose fortifications, with those at York Redoubt, effectually guard the passage from the sea. The harbor is one of the finest in the world—a haven in which a thousand ships may rest secure, and but little removed from the broad ocean highway which unites the eastern and western worlds. The track to New York is not far off.

Citadel Hill, 256 feet above the level of the harbor, is the crowning height of Halifax as seen from the water. There is a modern system of fortifications around Halifax, McNab's Island and prominent points of the shore being equipped for purposes of defence with quick firing and disappearing guns.

An excellent view of the city and its surroundings may be had from the Citadel, commanding land and water for many miles. The



Melville Island, N. W. Arm

Arm, the Basin, the harbor with its islands, the sea with its ships, the distant hills and forests, the city with its busy streets—are present to the eye in a beautiful and varied panorama. Dartmouth, across the harbor, is seen to fine advantage, while on the waters around the city are ships of all nations.

The attractions in and around Halifax are many. There are beautiful drives. A favorite one is down the Point Pleasant road and up the Northwest Arm. The Arm is a particularly attractive place, especially when the drive is continued past Melville Island and as far as the Dingle, and including the Waegwoltic and the Northwest Arm Clubs and the Sir Sandford Fleming Park, where a magnificent tower is to be erected, commemorating the establishment of representative parliamentary institutions in Nova Scotia more than 150 years ago.



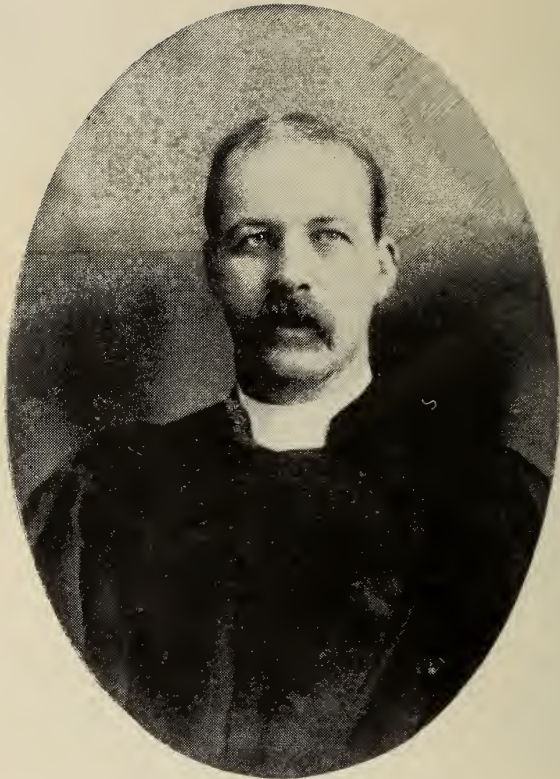
Walk—Public Gardens.

The view of the ocean from the hills on the western side is enchanting.

In the city itself there is much to interest. The historic Parliament Building, with its legislative hall and the library, the Dominion buildings, historic churches, handsome modern churches, and public institutions—some of which bear tribute to the charity and philanthropy of the people. The Public Gardens belonging to the city are a pleasant retreat, with their trees and flowers, fountains, lakes, and cool and shady walks. These gardens, in proportion to their size, have no superior in the cities of America. Their area is about fourteen acres, and every yard of the cultivated ground bears evidence of taste in design and execution. Point Pleasant Park is another exceedingly beautiful place, with its drives and pathways, and in close touch with the sea.



View on North-West Arm.



REV. J. W. MACMILLAN, of St. Matthew's Church

Presbyterianism in Halifax.

IN addition to the settlers who came out with Hon. Edward Cornwallis when Halifax was founded in 1749 a large number came from the older English colonies to the south. Among these early settlers were a goodly number of Presbyterians and Congregationalists. Religious toleration was scarcely known in England or her colonies at that time but a proclamation was issued granting liberty of conscience and worship to dissenters from the Church of England, whether Calvinists, Lutherans or Quakers or of other denominations. A grant of land for the erection of a church was made to the Protestant Dissenters and a church was erected at the corner of Hollis and Prince streets, where J. C. Macintosh & Company's building now stands. The congregation was made up partly of Congregationalists and partly of Presbyterians. It was shortly after organized as a Presbyterian church and is one of the oldest Presbyterian churches in Canada. On the 3rd of July, 1770, at the request of the Dutch Calvinistic Presbyterian congregation at Lunenburg, the Rev. Bruin Romkes Comingo was ordained in the First Protestant Dissenting meeting house by Rev. John Seccombe of Chester, Rev. James Lyon of Truro, Rev. James Murdoch of Horton and Rev. Benajah Philps of Cornwallis. This was the first meeting of a Presbytery and the first ordination of a Protestant Minister in Canada.

From that time the Presbyterian Church has held a prominent place in the religious life of Halifax. St. Matthew's congregation worshipped in the original building until it was destroyed by fire on the 1st of January, 1857. Steps were immediately taken for the erection of a new church and the present building, in which the Assembly is meeting, was opened on the 30th of October, 1859. As the growth of the city was slow St. Matthew's was the only Presbyterian church in Halifax for over fifty years but it ably maintained the principles and traditions of our common Presbyterianism and there never was a period in the history of our city from the time of its founding that this congregation was not a centre of religious work and influence. Its present pastor is Rev. J. W. Macmillan, D. D.



THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, HALIFAX.

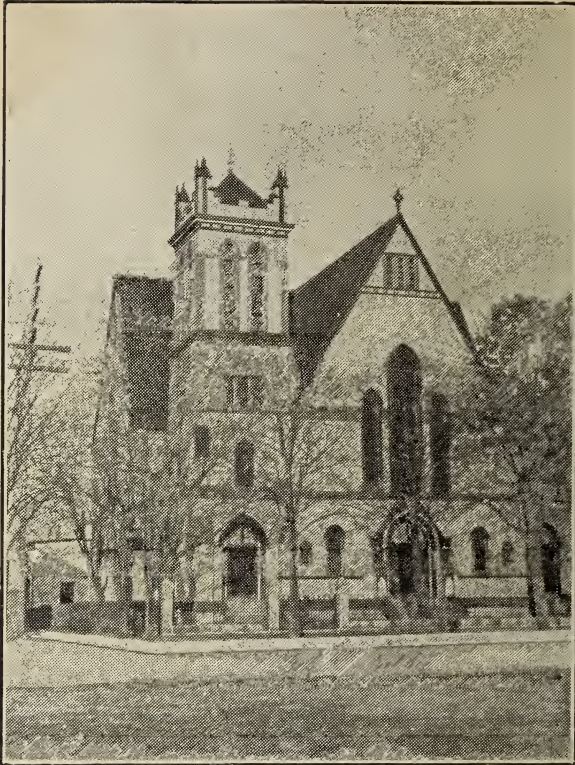
Pine Hill College is the theological school of the Presbyterian church, and has a beautiful situation on Francklyn Street overlooking the North West Arm.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.—In 1818 St. Andrew's Church was formed. St. Andrew's Church was originally connected with the Relief body of Scotland; and hence it was formerly named "The Relief Church of Halifax." The building in which the congregation originally met and which was situated on the corner of Prince and Barrington Streets, was dedicated to the worship of God on a Sabbath near the end of May, 1818. The late Rev. Henry Paterson officiated. The first elders—three in number, viz., Mr. James Leishman, Mr. James Scott and Mr. George Booth—were admitted into office on Thursday, August 20th, of the same year. Two months later—on Sabbath, October 18th—the Sacrament of the Supper was publicly dispensed for the first time, when fifty-eight persons sat at the Lord's table. It was not long afterwards that, in view of the fact that patronage did not exist on this side of the Atlantic, where the

Relief church and the Church of Scotland were exactly the same in principle, the Church's name changed to "The Halifax New Presbyterian Church." This alteration was effected March 23rd, 1819; but on December 23rd, 1820, the name was changed for the third time, and "St. Andrew's" began to be known by its present designation. On May 21st, 1871, old "St. Andrew's" having been sold, and a new and more commodious structure erected on Tobin Street, the present building was formally set apart for divine worship. Rev. Robert Johnston is now its pastor.

CHALMERS CHURCH (old and new).—The growth of the city towards the north made the Presbyterians feel that a congregation was required in that locality and accordingly a congregation was formed in the building in Gerrish street. At the time of the disruption it took the side of the Free Church and as the people were now scattered all over the city they felt that a central position was necessary. They accordingly built the old Chalmers Church in Barrington street. Here for more than half a century, under a succession of earnest and able ministers, it proved itself one of the model congregations of our church. The locality in which it was situated being wholly given up to business and all of the people having to pass other congregations it was considered advisable to close it. It was accordingly closed on the first Sunday in January, 1905, and its members and adherents were distributed among our other congregations. Dr. John MacMillan was the last pastor.

The Coburg Road church then took the name of Chalmers. This congregation was started in 1886. It was a union effort of all our churches. It was organized into a regular charge in 1893 when Rev. William M. Fraser was placed in charge. Since that time it has been steadily growing and promises soon to be one of our strong congregations. Rev. Robert J. Power, M. A.; is its present pastor.



Park Street Church.

PARK STREET (OLD POPLAR GROVE) CHURCH.—In 1842 Poplar Grove church was organized. The first minister was the Rev. Peter McGregor. Dr. McGregor ministered for twenty-five years to this congregation. He was succeeded in 1868 by Rev. Allan Simpson whose work for thirty years as preacher and pastor made a lasting impression. During this period the present edifice was erected and the name of the congregation changed to Park Street church. Rev. Clarence MacKinnon, now Principal of the Presbyterian College, Halifax, became pastor in 1899 and for three years preached with great acceptance. The present minister, Rev. Murdoch A. MacKinnon, was ordained and inducted in 1902.

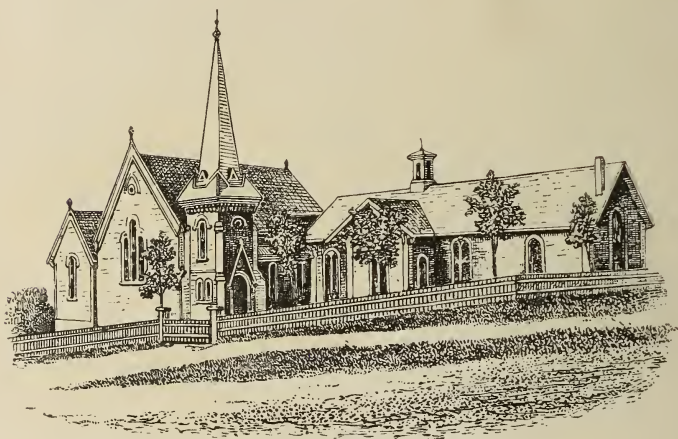
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—This church was started in 1862. At first it was virtually a mission church but it has steadily grown until it has become one of the best organized churches in the city. It was never stronger or more efficient in its work than under its present pastor, Rev. John S. Sutherland, M. A.



Fort Massey Church.

FORT MASSEY CHURCH.—This congregation was organized in 1871. A number of families, comprising 90 communicants from Chalmers church and Poplar Grove, erected the present building and were organized into a congregation. Their chief aim was Presbyterian church extension in the south end. They have had a succession of able and energetic ministers under whom the church has occupied a front place in every phase of religious and moral work in the city. It has always loyally supported all the schemes of our church. The present pastor is Rev. R. W. Ross, M. A.

GROVE AND BETHANY CHURCHES.—In 1868 a very vigorous and efficient S. S. Association was formed in connection with St. Matthew's and St. Andrew's congregations. It started Mission Sabbath schools in various places in the suburbs of the city. The outcome of this good work was Grove Presbyterian church, organized in 1873, and Bethany and Rockingham, which at first formed part of the Grove church but was erected into a separate congregation in 1896.

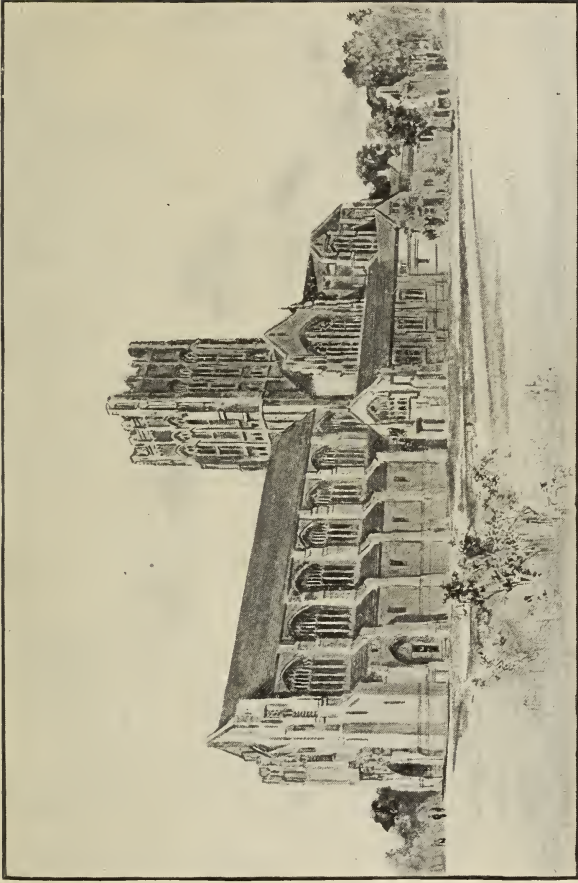


Grove Church.

The Grove church has steadily grown and every year seems to be more and more successful. Its present pastor is Rev. John F. Dustan. Bethany and Rockingham is still on the augmented list. At present it is without a settled pastor.

ST. JAMES CHURCH, DARTMOUTH, is one of our progressive and liberal congregations. It has just become vacant, their pastor, Dr. Dix, having accepted a call to Guelph, Ontario.

From this brief sketch it will be seen that we have in Halifax and Dartmouth eight vigorous self-supporting congregations and one on the augmented list.



All Saints Cathedral to be opened in August.

Educational Institutions in Halifax.

HALIFAX is the most important educational centre in the Maritime Provinces. It is the headquarters of the provincial educational system; it has splendid public schools, a manual training school, industrial schools for refractory boys, a well equipped business college, schools for those afflicted with loss of sight and speech, a medical college, two theological schools, an art school, a ladies' college, conservatory of music, the technical college, and a university for higher education.

Dalhousie University has faculties embracing arts, science, law, medicine, and technology. It has in affiliation with it the Halifax Medical College. The academic or teaching and examining staff numbers over forty names, and the attendance of students is large. Dalhousie was founded in 1821 by the Earl of Dalhousie and the original endowment was derived from funds collected at the port of Castine, in Maine, during its occupation by the British in 1814.

The Halifax Ladies' College and Conservatory of Music has a large building and attractive grounds on the corner of Harvey and Pleasant Streets. It is under the patronage of the Presbyterian Synod.

The School for the Blind, on Morris Street and the Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, on Gottingen Street have commodious homes and are very efficient.



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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY.

Some of the Historic Churches of Halifax.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, was established very soon after the foundation of Halifax. Its first pastor was Rev. Aaron Cleveland, an ancestor of the late President Cleveland of the United States.

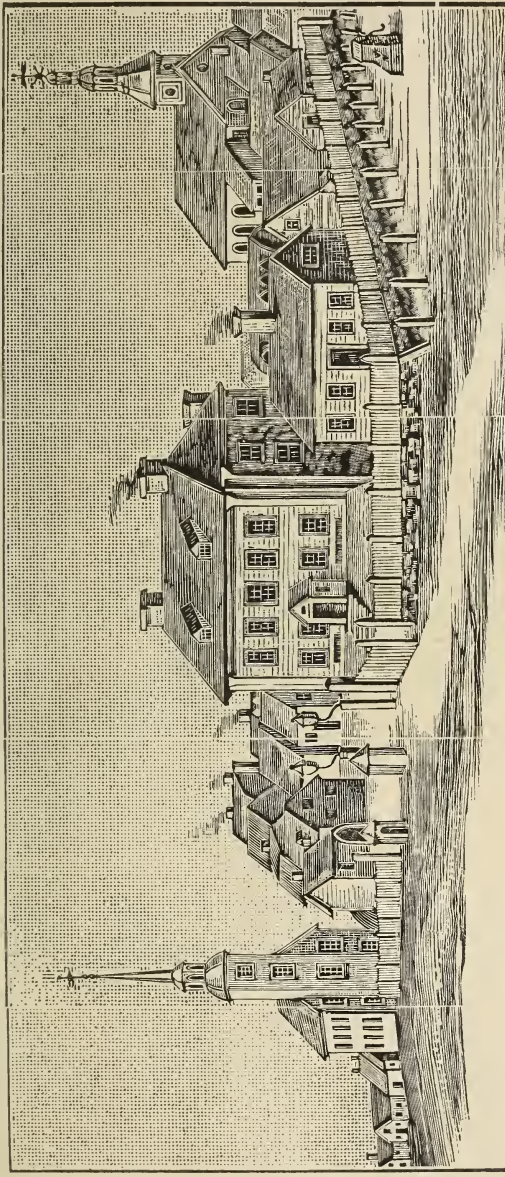
ST. PAUL'S CHURCH (Church of England), was erected in 1750, and has since been enlarged, but the original building forms the main part of the present one.

THE DUTCH CHURCH, no longer used for worship, was built in 1755 for Lutherans. Except for the steeple, added in 1760, it is just as when built. It stands at the corner of Brunswick and Gerrish Streets. and is a quaint and interesting place.

GARRISON CHURCH was used for years as the chief official place of worship for the troops, but since the withdrawal of the Imperial Army, the Canadian regiment worship in different places—the Presbyterians in St. Matthew's. The Garrison Church was built after the style of the military churches in England, and it is now occupied by the congregation of Trinity church.

ST. GEORGE'S or the ROUND CHURCH (Church of England,) attracts visitors on account of its unusual shape. It is circular in form and was built in the early years of the last century at corner of Brunswick and Cornwallis Streets.

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL (Roman Catholic) close to St. Matthew's, is the seat of the Archbishop of Halifax. It has a handsome facade and spire of white granite. The interior decorations are very beautiful.



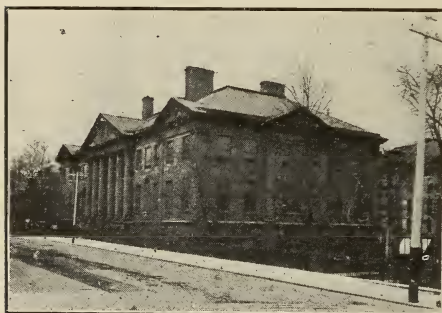
St. Matthew's Church in 1750.

Government House.

St. Paul's Church.

Things to See in Halifax.

THE PROVINCE BUILDING is an excellent point at which to commence sightseeing. Together with its grounds, it occupies a block bounded by Hollis and Granville, and George and Prince Streets, the site of the Government House of the early days. Its history dates back to 1819, when



it was completed at a cost of over \$200,000, considered an extravagant price for any building in those days. It is a building of the Georgian type of architecture, and possesses a quiet and imposing dignity.

Province Building.

This building on several occasions has been the scene of important state functions. Here the late King Edward VII was given a grand ball on the occasion of his visit in 1860; and his son, the present ruler, received the people of Nova Scotia on the occasion of his visit in October, 1901.

In the north enclosure of the Province Building grounds is the SOUTH AFRICA MONUMENT, erected by popular subscription to the memory of Nova Scotian soldiers who fell in South Africa during the Boer war.

In the south enclosure stands a statue of Hon. Joseph Howe, the father of responsible government in Nova Scotia, and the one whom Nova Scotians venerate above all other provincialists.

THE POST OFFICE BUILDING occupies a block bounded by Hollis Street and Bedford Row, and George Street and Cheap-

side, opposite the north enclosure of the Province Building grounds. It is a handsome structure in the Italian renaissance style with extensive porticos, elaborate and excellent carving, and is adorned with a statue of Britannia.

The CUSTOMS HOUSE, a handsome brown stone structure, occupies a site opposite the rear of the Post Office, facing on Bedford Row and extending through to Water Street. The Post Office is temporarily housed in this building.

The CITY BUILDING on the north end of the PARADE has considerable architectural merit. The PARADE, with its heavy balustrade, its lawn and fountain, is an artistic open space in which many years ago military reviews were held. It lies between Barrington and Argyle Streets and breaks the continuity of George.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, on Pleasant, Bishop and Hollis Streets is the official residence of the Lieut.-Governor of the province, who at present is Hon. D. C. Fraser, an elder in St. Matthew's Church, where the General Assembly is meeting. In its time it was the finest residence in all North America, being representative of the best type of architecture popular in those days. It was built in 1805.

The COURT HOUSE, on Spring Garden Road, opposite the south end of Grafton Street is a building of beautiful and substantial lines.

Next to it is the magnificent building of the Nova Scotia Technical College, which has just completed the first year of its work.

POINT PLEASANT PARK is one of the places in Halifax that every one should make sure of visiting. The most satisfactory way of taking a first trip through this extensive pleasure ground is in an open barouche which will accommodate four persons comfortably and may be had at a cost of one dollar per hour. Apart from scenery, the main interest centres in the forts of which there are three—Point Pleasant, Cambridge, and Ogilvie. An object of particular interest is the Martello Tower, through which the visitor will be shown by the caretaker. This tower is a species of coast defence of Italian origin used in Europe in the early part of the last century, but not much

in America. The main entrance to the park, marked by the great gates given by the late Sir William Young, is at the Young Avenue, but entrance may also be had by Pleasant Street.

THE CITADEL is the most commanding point in Halifax. From the ramparts and the path encircling the whole fortification one may see the city lying at his feet in all directions. The view on a fine clear day extends many miles out to sea and embraces a great wealth of landscape and seascape.

Attention has already been called to the beautiful Public Gardens.

FORT NEEDHAM, an abandoned fortification, remains of whose earthworks are still to be seen, occupies high ground in the north end of the city. The site is open and wild to-day but commands a beautiful view of the northern part of the harbor and Bedford Basin.

POINT PLEASANT, at the point where the North West Arm joins the harbor, has a splendid outlook towards the sea, and there are many other places in the park that afford excellent views.

YORK REDOUBT. The view is charming. Here the breakers pound on the rocky shore and one may look out on the broad ocean in one direction and up one of the finest harbors in the world in the other.

DARTMOUTH PARK probably affords one of the best views of the harbor to be had. Another beautiful view is from PRINCE ARTHUR PARK in Dartmouth.

SIR SANDFORD FLEMING PARK AT THE DINGLE. From the elevation at the Dingle, where the Memorial Tower is to be erected, is to be had a very enchanting view of the North West Arm, the Western slope of the peninsula, Bedford Basin in the distance, and the wooded country to the west.

THE DOCKYARD.—The Dockyard was the principal property in Halifax devoted to purposes of the Navy, and while it still belongs to the Imperial authorities, it is leased by the Dominion Government and will be occupied as naval headquarters. The entrance is on Upper Water Street, near



Admiralty House.

Gerrish Street. In various parts of the Dockyard are relics of great interest, and with the advent of the Canadian branch of the Royal Navy it will be of great practical value.

“HALIFAX HARBOUR, formerly called Chebucto Bay, extends sixteen miles in from the sea,” says Johnson’s Encyclopædia; “it is one of the finest harbors in the world, is easy of access, and is admirably sheltered. The water is so deep that the largest ships can lie within a few feet of the shore, and the rise and fall of the tide are slight.”

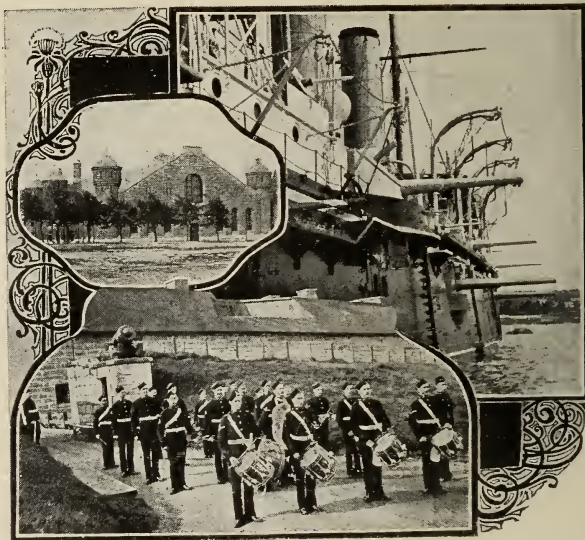
MACNAB’S ISLAND lies directly across the harbor proper separating it from the ocean and thus providing a perfect shelter for shipping in a body of water which in some parts is a mile and a quarter in width. Northwards, the shores gradually approach until they come within a quarter of a mile of one another, at a place known as “the Narrows,” after which, broadening out again, they encircle a broad, extensive and beautiful sheet of water known as BEDFORD BASIN. It is the NORTH WEST ARM, running off from the harbor at Point Pleasant, and extending nearly three miles in a north-westerly direction, until it reaches a point half a mile from Bedford Basin, that makes the site of Halifax a peninsula.

THE HALIFAX DRY DOCK is one of the largest on the continent of North America, 600 feet long by $89\frac{3}{4}$ feet wide. Steam-

ers undergo repairs here and it is an interesting thing at such times to see the dock.

THE COMMON and CAMP HILL lie west of the Citadel. Both are used for review purposes by the military but the former is also used by the public for pleasure purposes. It is the play ground of the people and groups may be seen there at any time enjoying various out door games. The roads leading across the Common are lined with beautiful trees.

CHAIN ROCK in Point Pleasant Park is interesting on account of its historic associations. In the city's early days, when there was fear of French invasion, the military authorities laid a chain across the Arm to prevent French ships from sailing up, anchoring its ends in solid rock. The low mounds at the point where descent to the shore is made, are the remains of an old fort and are called the SEVEN BUNKERS.



Armouries, Man-o'-War, and Band Parade.



St. Paul's, the Oldest Protestant Church in Canada

A very interesting church, historically speaking, is St. Paul's church, on Barrington street, half a dozen blocks north of St. Matthew's. It is the mother-church of the church of England in Canada, and is the oldest Protestant church in the Dominion.

St. Paul's Church was erected on the Parade in the year 1750, A. D. The church is designated "A Royal Foundation and of Exempt Jurisdiction." St. Paul's church was made a Royal Peculiar and was not subject to any Bishop or ecclesiastical court.

The material for the building of St. Paul's church, consisting of pine and oak, was brought from Boston, Massachusetts, then a part of the British Dominions.

It is claimed that the "Protestant Dissenters" met regularly for public worship in St. Paul's under their own minister, the Rev. Aaron Cleveland, a progenitor of the late Grover Cleveland, a former president of the United States. Mr. Cleveland was the first minister of "Mathers" afterwards St. Matthew's church. The church services were held for a number of

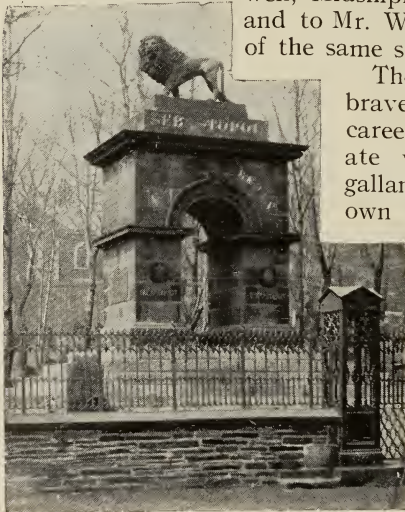
years in English, French and German, and in 1767 in Mic-Mac. The building has been kept in a good state of repair, and is sound in every particular.

There is probably no church on this side of the Atlantic the walls of which are so covered with mural tablets of such historic interest as are found in old St. Paul's. The late Lieut.-Governor Jones called it "The Westminster Abbey of Canada." The memorials are in enduring brass, marble and stone, to the honoured dead.

The massive Silver Services for the Holy Communion are of great historic interest. Two Flagons bear the arms of Queen Anne. One Chalice bears the Arms of George I. One Alms Bason bears the Arms of Queen Anne.

The cemetery, opposite St. Matthew's church, has been declared by Rev. A. W. Eaton, the historian of "The church in Nova Scotia," to be perhaps the most interesting spot of the kind in North America.

One of the most interesting monuments is to Mr. John Samwell, Midshipman of H. M. S. Shannon, and to Mr. William Stevens, Boatswain of the same ship.



The inscription reads: "Those brave officers closed their career in consequence of desperate wounds received in the gallant action between their own ship and the American frigate, Chesapeake, on the 1st of June, 1813, which ended in the capture of the enemy's ship in 14 minutes."

A very interesting tomb is that of Major General Ross, the British General who captured Washington.

The Crimean Monument, nearly opposite St. Matthew's Church.

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