

service on the previous Sunday. One of the hymns that were sung, had one verse which read, "My Sabbath suns may all have set, My Sabbath scenes be o'er, The place at least where we are met, May leave my steps no more." I think that it was then that Rev. Brooke was appointed, as a probationer, and after him came Keall, Standage & Lupton. That is as far as my knowledge goes personally as it was in 1890 that I left the district. It was in Mr. Woburn's time that the Church was enlarged. In the Class meeting was the recognized ordinance in the Church, & it was incumbent that members should belong to such or have their names on the Class roll. Class leaders were appointed, of whom two I remember in Reuben Withell and Robt. Moore, & they had the oversight to a certain extent of their members, & met their respective classes weekly. There was a quarterly meeting of the members presided over by the minister who issued the quarterly ticket of membership. In later years the custom gradually fell into disuse, and the class meeting ceased to be a test of membership. I must say that at that time, it seemed that practically every body could sing, and the singing in the Church was looked upon as exceptional. There were no scruples amongst the Wesleyans, as to having instrumental music, and a Harmonium was in use for very many years. The organist as we called him was a Mr. Robinson of the Presbyterian

Mr. Chas Taylor. Mr. Robinson was also the organist at the Presbyterian Church, where the services were held in the afternoon. In our church services were held both morning and evening.

~~There was~~ It was somewhere in the early eighties that the Anglican Church was erected. There were some very staunch members of this Church, and we looked upon them as a class apart, altho in every thing else, & in every day life they commingled.

The leading persons attached were Mr. John Baldwin, the schoolmaster. Mr. Isaac Dawson

Henry High - Mr. John Cole, Mr. George Stephens, Mr. Mochburn, Mr. Sanderson & others that I cannot just recall now

can I recall the name of the first Vicar Rev. Hands. There were a few ~~one~~ families belonging to the Roman Catholics, but they attended Mass at Leeston. There was a Mr. Bishop, Mr. Daniel Buckley, Mr. Andrew Buckley, Mr. Fabling, Mr. Burns & I think Anthony Fay.

Then there was the coming of the Salvation Army, and what a stir it made in the place, and what a rough time they got at certain places. There was never any serious disturbance at Brookside, but it certainly thinned the congregations at the other places of worship of the times. But generally the schoolroom was packed on the Sunday evenings, and there was