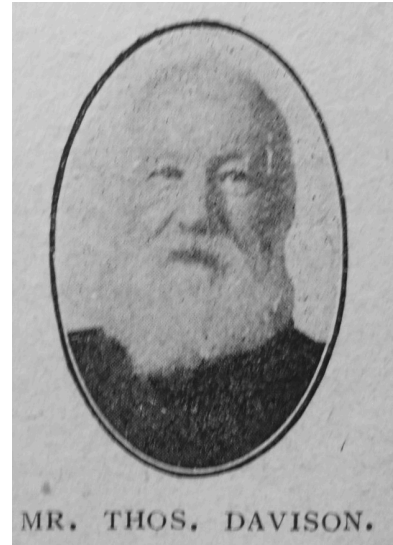


Thomas Davison

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In the death of Thomas Davison the Shildon Circuit has lost one of its most useful preachers. Born in 1840, at Bamboro' in Northumberland, he came with his parents to Shotley Bridge in 1853. The following year he was converted. When only a lad he regularly accompanied the popular Mary Porteous to her appointments and took part in the services.

He had a fluent delivery, a powerful voice, a readiness for Scriptural quotation, and a spiritual fervour which always made him an acceptable speaker. He was just turned twenty years of age when he was put on the plan. About thirteen years were spent in the West Auckland Circuit, after which he came to Shildon, where he died on April 5th, 1917.



He was very successful as an evangelist in the special missions he conducted in many circuits of the North. For fifty years his home was given to hospitality. His devoted wife always shared his joy in the entertainment of guests. An ardent Sunday school worker, a class-leader, a local preacher for fifty-seven years, a member sixty-three years, he represented his circuit four times at District Meeting, and twice was a delegate to Conference.

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