

RESIGNED AS PASTOR

REV. M. S. RIDDLE HAS RESIGNED AS PASTOR OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TO TAKE EFFECT SEPTEMBER FIRST.

Rev. M. S. Riddle has resigned as pastor of the Presbyterian church and a congregational meeting was held last evening and members of the congregation united with him in asking Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relation which has existed for the past three years.

Mr. Riddle has been connected with the church for nearly three and a half years and during that time the church has gone forward and made better progress along all lines than at any time in the history of the institution.

He has preached 330 sermons, has attended 26 funerals, married 10 couples, has received in salary \$3,016.00, received in donations \$452.05, marriage fees \$88.00, from funerals—only five paying anything—\$45.00.

During that period the church and congregation has raised for all purposes, except for benevolences, the sum of \$5,245.00. For benevolences the church has given the sum of \$560.85, making the total the church has given for all purposes during his pastorate the encouraging sum of \$5,805.85—almost \$6,000.00.

It may be well said, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Is there a town and church of the same size which has done better?

Number of members received into the church during his pastorate, 32. Members dismissed, 15. Died, 2. Present membership, 64.