

wisdom shall think most proper" adding "we are at peace among ourselves, though much deadness still prevails; many minding their own things, and but few the things that are Jesus Christ's."

After this a George Guthrie, as his recommendation declares "a young brother not long since from Ireland" visited the church; but he only remained about five months and then removed to Morristown.

REV. MR. VAN HORN'S PASTORATE.

On the 15th of December, 1785, Rev. William Van Horn accepted a call to the pastorate. He was a young man thirty-eight years of age, of Buck's County, Pennsylvania. He graduated from the Academy of Dr. Samuel Jones, at Lower Dublin, Pa. During the revolutionary war he had been a chaplain in the army, enthusiastically encouraging the heroes who fought against tyranny, and cheering them on in their toilsome marches, while sharing with them their greatest dangers and most grievous hardships. He had also been a pastor at Southhampton some thirteen years. His preaching is said to have been "of the most solid and instructive character, never descending into careless frivolity, but always with becoming gravity as a messenger from the throne of God, declaring the will of the Most High to men."

His ministry here like that of his predecessor proved eminently successful. The first year he baptised forty-seven persons; and these as the minutes reveal after the closest examination and scrutiny. The whole number baptised during his pastorate was one hundred and sixty. While he evinced great pulpit power, he also had an ex-