

*THE REV. MR. HOUGHTON MUST GO.*  
A "BLEAR-EYED PREACHER" PREFERRED  
TO A PULPIT DETECTIVE.

NEW-HAVEN, Oct. 6.—The sensational sermons of the Rev. M. H. Houghton on the Rose Ambler murder do not seem to have worked very greatly to his advantage. Members of his church have taken serious umbrage at his remarks in the pulpit, and the announcement is made to-night that he has been asked to resign. The request has been coupled with the suggestion that after April 1 next the salary of the Pastor of the Church of the Messiah will be reduced, and this leaves but a small opportunity for the clergyman, even should he desire to remain. It is stated by his friends that Mr. Houghton has received several calls to influential churches, among them one in New-York. Mr. Houghton preaches on the "Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven" to-morrow, and it is expected that he will have something further to say about the Stratford crime and his newspaper critics.

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