

reality we find among Baptists as far as I can trace them back in modern times, many of the views on account of which they call us heretics, and for embracing these views they separate their own best men from the body.

On our return from Rainham we spent a week at several points in the Niagara District, where I trust good has been done.

After leaving the Niagara District, it was our intention to visit our brethren in King, Oshawa, and Bowmanville together; but when we came to Toronto we found it necessary to alter our arrangements, and I proceeded to King and brother Anderson eastward as far as Bowmanville. At Bowmanville he spoke several times, and three stood up to signify their willingness to submit to the Saviour.

The brethren in Oshawa and in King are, I trust, walking in the truth, but there were no recent additions to either church. We visited the Esquesing church, and spent some time about Cheltenham since we returned home, and found the brethren firm in the service of the master. Elder Menzies, I am happy to say, is in tolerable good health for him.

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BROTHER OLIPHANT:—It will be gratifying to the brethren to learn the result of a series of meetings which we attended with the church in Bowmanville since brother Lister reported for the Dec. *Banner*. We commenced on the evening of the 19th Nov., and continued till the 8th inst., speaking every evening except Saturdays, and on Lord's days we spoke twice. The brethren filled their places and acted their part well. The community gave us an honest and patient hearing, and the result was the baptism of twenty-five believers, most of them unmarried persons, and the rest active and useful parents; all of whom we hope will greatly aid the church in promoting the cause in which they are so ardently and so successfully engaged.

All our brethren should know that the Bowmanville church is a working agency for the spreading of Christianity, and the building up of all its members: besides a staff of excellent brethren and sisters, who agree to work in harmony as visitors and give advice and instruction as cases require among the brethren and others in the neighborhood, they have a most efficient and well attended Sunday School, and a meeting for reading and examining the scriptures; a meeting for prayer and exhortation, and another for practicing to sing on three different evenings every week, and on the morning of the Lord's day the committee of visitors meet for prayer and thanksgivings, and reporting their labors and making future arrangements. They meet twice for public worship and preaching the gospel every Lord's day. We forbear mentioning the names of any brethren who may be more active than others. When the Lord comes justice will be done to all.

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The article in this Number on Censoriousness is worthy of a first and second reading.

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