

amusing recitation and Mrs. A. W. Fowncs read a very pathetic story. Musical selections were given by members of the choir, Miss Margaret Smith presiding at the organ. At the close of the programme the chairman called for Mr. E. A. Titus, who suddenly made his appearance carrying upon his arm a very handsome fur coat which he proceeded to present to the pastor in a short, but most appreciative speech. Though taken by surprise the pastor responded in a ready and humorous fashion expressing his great gratitude for such a generous mark of appreciation. After refreshments had been served the meeting was again called to order by the pastor who spoke a few words from the text: "Watchman, what of the night?" (Isa. 21:11, 12). As midnight drew near, all heads were bowed in silent prayer, the silence being first broken by the sonorous tones of the bell as it rang its welcome to 1905.

We are being blessed at HAVELOCK, N. B. Head of Ridge, one of the stations on this field. Special services have been held for the last 3 weeks, and as one result six have been received for baptism; others are seeking and will probably see the way clearly ere long.

J. W. BROWN.

ELGIN, N. B. We have just closed another year of pastoral work with this church. The past year has been one of continuous service and in many ways full of the blessing of God. No large revival has come, but several have united with the church. The church property has been improved in two sections of the field, at an expense of \$400 and we have paid \$700 on an old debt at another place. In denominational work we have not been behind. During the year we have received many kindnesses from the people of each section, and at the close of the year Goshen gave us donation of \$26 and Elgin another of \$40.50, for which we gratefully thank the donors. We trust the coming year holds for us a richer spiritual blessing. To this end we ask the prayers of all our fellow-workers.

H. H. SAUNDERS.

SAINT STEPHEN, The Union Street church has just closed a year of alternating sunshine and shadow,

the coming of new workers and the passing of older ones. Eight members, two sisters and six brethren, passed to the higher service during the year. While the church is thus being bereft, the work in the different departments moves on, younger ones coming in to carry it forward. The annual roll-call was held on Sunday evening, Dec. 28th, when 166 responded in person or by letter. It was an occasion of deep tenderness and marked spirituality. The service concluded with the observance of the Lord's Supper in which 131 participated. The annual meeting of the church, held on Friday evening, Jan. 2nd, was attended by about two hundred members and friends. Thirteen carefully written reports were rendered, covering every department of the work. The clerk's report showed that at the beginning of 1902 the membership was two hundred and fifty-three. The Sunday School report showed an enrollment of two hundred and eighty, exclusive of Home Department and Cradle Roll with an average attendance of one hundred and seventy eight. A recapitulation of the reports revealed that the church had raised for all purposes, a sum exceeding \$2900. Each department seems to be in a vigorous and healthy condition, and the newly elected officers enter upon the work of the New Year with zeal and purpose.

The church is fortunate in having in its membership a goodly number of consecrated workers, who stand ready to give the pastor a cordial and hearty support in his efforts to do the important work demanded. In fact the relations of the pastor and people are increasingly close and effective. The usual union services were held during the Week of Prayer. While the attendance was not large the spirit of fellowship was sincere and cordial. Rich spiritual blessings seem near at hand. God grant them to all our churches during 1905.

W. C. GORTCHER.

Married.

TAYLOR PRICE.—At St. Paul's church, Havelock, on Jan. 7th, by the Rev. W. B. Armstrong, M. A., rector, William Bart Taylor, to Mary Janet Price, daughter of John C. Price, all of Havelock, N. B.

YORK TILLEY.—At Waterville, C. Co., Dec. 28, by Rev. A. W. O'Brien, Percy J. York and Anna Tilley, both of Waterville.

SQUIRES GEE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Upper Wicklow, Car. Co., on Jan. 1, 1905, by Rev. L. A. Fenwick, Upton Squires and Miss L. Alfreeda Gee, both of Wicklow, Car. Co.

CHENEY-ROBINSON.—At the Free Baptist parsonage, Coldstream, Car. Co., N. B., on Dec. 31, by Rev. Geo. W. Foster, Mr. Geo. H. Cheney, of Lindsay, Car. Co., to Miss Myrtle A. Robinson, of Windsor, Car. Co.

McKENZIE WATSON.—At the residence of Charlie Pitt, Greenbush, Kings Co., Jan. 7, by Rev. S. J. Parry, Robert J. McKenzie, of Greenwich and Anne K. Watson, of St. John.

PATRICK DUBIN IAN.—At the residence of the bride's father, Wm. Parnham, Ebb Settlement, Kings Co., on New Year's eve, by Rev. H. H. Ferguson, Roy Parquin, of St. John, N. B. and Miss Lydvine A. Duranin, of Ebb Settlement.

SIMPSON-BANKINE.—At Lower Millstream, Kings Co., N. B., on New Year's eve, by Rev. H. H. Ferguson, Almed Simpson and Miss Matilda Rankine, both of Johnson, Kings Co., N. B.

FOSTER-SLOAT.—At the home of the bride's brother, Hedley Sloat, Dec. 24, by Rev. L. S. Parker, B. A., Burdell S. Foster, of Montserrat, Me., and Miss Bessie A. Sloat, of Tracy Mills, N. B.

SPENCER FULTON.—At the Free Baptist parsonage, Tracy Mills, Dec. 25, by Rev. E. S. Parker, B. A., Geo. A. Spencer, of South Gardner, Me., and Miss Hazel P. Fulton, of Bridgewater, Me.

WANAMAKER-BARTON.—At the Range, Queens county, on 6th inst., by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, Harry W. Wanamaker of Newryevanok and Amy L. Barton of Waterborough, N. B.

READ-KING.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Upper Rockport, on Dec. 20th by Rev. B. H. Thence, Wm. Beauford and Ethel Gortude King, both of Upper Rockport, N. B.

ARCHIBALD GELBERT.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Jan. 8th, by the Rev. F. D. Davidson, David Archibald and Essie, fourth daughter of John Gidborne, all of Albert, Albert county, N. B.

POFFER ROBINSON.—At the residence of the bride's father, on Jan. 7th, by the Rev. W. J. Gordon, Harvey W. Poffor of Salmon creek to Zilla Pearl Robinson of Newcastle Creek, Queens county, N. B.

CULBERSON BELL.—At the parsonage's, Jacksonville, Carleton county, N. B., on Jan. 7th, by Rev. Jos. A. Cahill, William Culberston to Vida L. Bell.

SMITH PRYOR.—At the parsonage's, Centreville N. B., Jan. 10, by Rev. B. S. Freeman, Ellery B. Smith of Bridgewater, Me., to Georgia Pryor of Centreville, N. B.

HATHAWAY-KANE.—At the residence of the bridegroom, Bath, Carleton county, by Rev. C. Stirling, on New Year's Eve, Alfonso Hathaway of Bath to Lena Kane of St. James, Charlotte county.

ESTY BARTON.—At the Range, Queens county, on the 31st of December, by Rev. F. S. Todd Frederick Esty of Jacksonville, Carleton county, to Mary L. Barton of Waterborough, N. B.

Died.

McBURNIE.—At his home, Coldstream, Carleton county, on the evening of Jan. 11, after a few hours illness, John McBurnie peacefully passed away aged 77 years. He was a member of the Baptist church in this place for many years. A man of large hospitality and kindness of heart and will be much missed especially by those of his household. A sorrow stricken widow, two sons and two daughters, with many relatives and acquaintances mourn his departure.

HOPKINS.—At Montreal General Hospital, Dec. 29th of typhoid fever, Dr. Charles W. Hopkins aged 25 years, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hopkins Amestock Junction. Mr. Hopkins graduated from McGill last June; standing second in his class; accepted the superintendency of Montreal Maternity Hospital. He entered on his duties last autumn and was fast making a name for himself when he was suddenly taken away. He was a member of the First Baptist church, Montreal and even in his last moments his faith in Christ was strong and clear. His body was brought to Andover for interment. He leaves parents, a sister, two brothers, and a large number of friends to mourn their loss.

McNEIRO.—Hazen McNeiro, son of Ezra and Mary Madroff Penfield, died Jan. 5th, aged 2 years. Our young brother never made a public confession of the religion of Christ, but he died trusting in his Saviour who died and died for him on the cross. "We believe his end was peace. His funeral was conducted by his pastor, and so we laid the body of the quiet and harmless young man in its final resting place till Jesus comes. Our prayer is that the aged parents, brother and sisters may obtain eternal life through faith in God's Son. "He that hath the Son hath life."

HAKIN.—Cal. B. Hakin of Penfield departed this life Jan. 8th, after a long and distressing illness, aged 79 years. Our brother professed the religion of Christ many years ago and united with the Penfield Baptist church of which he continued a member till death. He was one of the industrious men, and had accumulated a good deal of this world's goods. He was permitted to live to a ripe old age and to retain a fresh appearance to the last. He suffered a good deal especially towards the end of his life, but now at rest and free from all pain for God has taken him. His funeral was attended by his pastor, witnessed by an immense concourse of people on Sabbath afternoon of the 11th inst. He was buried beside her who was his earthly companion 30 years ago. They rest for their labors. He leaves two sons and two daughters to mourn their loss. May God bless them with eternal life through faith in Christ.

COTTLE.—At his residence, Exmouth street, St. John, on New Year's Day, Deacon N. B. Cottle passed on to his reward. Our brother C. was born in Canning Queens county, N. B., and at the time of his death was upwards of 68 years. In early life he united with the church in Canning. Later he removed to Jemseg and for 27 years in business won the respect of the community and in the church the love of the brethren. Removing to St. John nearly twenty years ago he transferred his membership to the Brussels St. church and became one of the most faithful and active members. For many years he served the church as a deacon, discharging his duties with credit to himself and satisfaction to his brethren. Brother C. was an earnest student of the Word of God. He was familiar with the great truths that pertain to man's salvation through the redemption of Jesus. He rested with unwavering confidence on the promises of the Book, with the result that death's approach was not feared and peacefully as one falling asleep he met this "land of foes." His body was removed to Jemseg for interment and on Sunday afternoon, the 5th inst., Rev. A. B. McDonald a life-long friend preached to a very large and attentive audience a funeral sermon. The text was Prov. 23:27, a passage Bro. Cottle had long ago selected. In his departure the Brussels St. church loses a valued and respected officer and member—the widow and children a faithful husband and loving father—the community a good man whose every day life was that of a Christian.

McGREGOR.—At Somerville, Mass., on 8th inst. Rachel, beloved wife of Deacon D. S. McGregor, of 2nd Chipman church, aged 64 years. Besides her husband three sons and a daughter remain in mourning. Deceased suffered much through a life-long nervous affliction, but was ever sustained by a hope in Christ. His remains were brought to Chipman for interment.