

Last Sunday, 25th, we were **HAVELOCK, N. B.** privileged to baptize seven believers from the head of the Ridge, one of the sections of this field. In the service that followed the baptism these seven, and another who had been received by letter received the hand of fellowship. Among those baptized was a mother and her two daughters. Others are seeking the Lord.

J. W. BROWN.

At the close of his sermon **FIRST MONCTON,** on Sunday, Feb. 1st, Pastor N. B. D. Hutchinson baptized three new converts into the likeness of the Saviour's death. These with five who had been received by letter he welcomed at the communion service in the evening. We are looking for others to declare themselves on the Lord's side in the near future.

We have nothing of special moment to report. Several have called for letters of dismission and five have been received on letters since we last reported. At the Hill they have purchased a Sunday school library costing something over \$26. All the services are well attended and some interest shown by the unsaved. We have services five nights every week and three times every Sunday, so there is not much time for special work. F. D. DAVIDSON.

Owing to the absence of the pastor from the city our Annual meeting of Jan. 28th. The reports from the various organizations in the church indicated a hopeful condition of affairs in general. The resume of the clerk shows among other items of interest, 16 additions to our membership during the year, 10 by baptism; a present membership of 267 and total contributions received by the Boards and Societies \$2065. We enter the year 1903 with confidence and good cheer. In January 3 were welcomed to our fellowship, one coming through baptism. B. N. NORLES.

#### Ordination.

The council called by the Mangerville church to advise in regard to the matter of setting apart to the work of the Gospel ministry our Bro. N. B. Rogers, met on the afternoon of the 4th inst.

On motion of the Rev. W. R. Robinson, the Rev. George Howard was elected moderator. After devotional exercises Deacon Everett was elected clerk and a credential committee was chosen consisting of—Rev. D. A. MacDonald, Deacons Minue and Hoben.

This committee reported the following delegates present:

Upper Gagetown, Pastor Mutch, Deacon John F. Hoben; Mangerville, Deacons Dykeman and Miles; Fredericton, Pastor MacDonald, Deacons Clark and Everett; Macnaquac, Pastor Howard; Gibson, Pastor Robinson, Deacon Minue.

The Rev. Mr. King being present was invited to a seat in the council.

The clerk of the church, Bro. Day read the minutes calling the council for the purpose of ordination, which was accepted. Deacon Dykeman assured the council of Bro. Roger's call and acceptance as pastor of the church at Mangerville and of his membership in the said church which had guaranteed him sufficient salary for his present needs. Bro. Rodgers was then called upon to give his experience and call to the Christian ministry, which he did at considerable

length, including his views on scripture doctrine and church polity. On motion Bro. MacDonald took the leading part in examining the candidate regarding his call to the ministry and his views of the fundamental teachings of the scriptures.

Bros. Howard, Robinson, King and Deacon Minue, also participated in the examination eliciting from our Bro. his views on missions and church discipline.

Bro. Rodgers was then requested to withdraw, after which the ministering brethren present expressed their high appreciation of the very satisfactory manner in which the candidate had answered the many difficult questions presented to him.

It was then resolved on motion of Bro. Robinson, that the ordination of Bro. Rodgers be proceeded with and the moderator and deacons of the church were appointed to arrange for the service.

The evening session of the council opened with singing and prayer after which the minutes of the previous session were read and approved. After singing, Bro. Mutch read the scripture lesson from second Timothy, second chapter.

The laying on of hands by the ministering brethren followed, during which Bro. King offered the ordination prayer. Bro. Robinson then gave the charge to the candidate welcoming him as a co-laborer in the Master's service, after which Bro. MacDonald preached a very impressive sermon from Rev. 11, 1-7. Then followed the charge of the church by Bro. Howard a former pastor.

The minutes of the session being read and approved, Bro. Rodgers pronounced the benediction. W. EGBERTON EVERETT.

Fredericton, Feb. 5th.

#### Personal.

Rev. W. J. Bleakney, now at Malden, Mass., in a recent note thus writes: "I am with my family at present, but I hope if spared to be down to the provinces in the spring, and supply some vacant church for the summer, should health permit. Shortly after coming here I was not very well, but am better now and hope to be able to resume work in the spring. I often go in to Boston to the Temple toasting on Sabbath evenings and enjoy it much. The ministers here are holding meetings, but as yet there is no special move, no sound of a going in the tops of the trees. Pride and formality are eating out what little spiritual life there once was in the city churches. At Tremont Temple there seems to be more power than elsewhere. I often meet province people, several with whom I was acquainted at home. It does not seem like home to me here, but my family is settled at Malden and that draws me this way too. May the Master lead us in my daily prayer."

#### A Remarkable Answer.

A remarkable record in answer to prayer has been made in the Brooklyn Temple of which Dr. Cortland Myers is pastor. Each year for nine years, three weeks before Christmas and three weeks before Easter the church has begun to pray for twenty-five to come to Christ and to confess him in baptism on these days. Not one has been kept back for this special service. Baptisms every Sunday as usual preceding it. Yet for *eighteen times* the church has boldly and believingly tested the promise and never a failure. The number has been always complete.

W. I. SOUTHERTON,

Asst. Pastor Baptist Temple, Brooklyn, N. Y.

#### BROUGHT OUT AND BROUGHT IN.

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Finally, what a new and cheerful aspect this passage from the dear old Book gives to dying. It is a bringing out and a bringing in that's all. It is an escape from the toils, the trials and the tears—from the head winds and hard climbs, the sins and the sorrows of this old sobbing world into the rewards and the raptures of the Father's House eternal in the heavens. Jesus died to bring us out of the prison-house of sin into the palace of his everlasting glory.

"Out of earth's weariness, trial and sorrow,  
Out of its cares and its fears for the morrow,  
Out of its restless, unsatisfied yearnings,  
Out of the fever of human heart-burnings,  
Out of the pain of night-watching removed,  
Into the sleep that God gives his beloved;  
Into the dawn of a glad resurrection,  
Into the house of unbroken affection,  
Into the joy of Christ—thus confessing  
Death in disguise is his Angel of blessing."

#### Notice.

Several of our subscribers who have sent in payments for their paper ask us to return receipts for same. Now we wish to say that the date marked on their paper is sufficient receipt. A thousand receipts if sent in letters means twenty dollars a year out of the income of the paper; and if we send receipts on postal cards, that means ten dollars a year; and we cannot afford to pay out so much for postage. We always mark each paper with payments as soon as they come in, and if any mistakes are made, please let us know and we will gladly make the proper corrections.

#### Married.

MCGAGHEY-HAMM.—At the Narrows, Queens Co. N. B. Jan. 2, by pastor F. N. Atkinson, John W. Mcgaghey and Mary Hamm.

BRADSHAW PHILIP.—At the residence of Robert Phinney, Esq. Middleton, N. S., Jan. 21st, by Rev. A. C. Archibald, assisted by Rev. W. L. Archibald, nephews of the groom, Rev. Frederick Joseph Bradshaw, missionary in Kingoog, China, to Dr. Milton A. L. Philip, daughter of the late Rev. B. R. Philip of Halifax, N. S. They spend three months in Europe en route to China.

STEEVES KEITH.—At the residence of the bride's father, Steeves Settlement, Jan. 21, by Rev. J. W. Brown, Chas. A. Steeves and Iva L. Keith, all of Steeves Settlement.

BROWN BOSS.—On January 28th, at the Baptist parsonage, St. Martins, N. B. by the Rev. C. W. Townsend, William Allen Brown of Fairview, N. B. to Ida Beatrice Ross of St. Martins, N. B.

#### Died.

(Our attention has been called to the fact that in the obituary notice of Deacon N. B. Cottle, published in our last issue, a misplaced figure made us give the wrong text as the passage from which his funeral service was preached. The correct text was, Proverbs 23:23—"Buy the truth and sell it not.")

LEWIS.—At Woodstock, Ontario, on Dec. 20th, 1902, Rev. George Burns, aged 87 years.

KELLY.—At Kingsclear, Jan. 1st, at the home of Mr. Duncan Kelly, Mrs. John Kelly aged 70 years, leaving a husband, one son and one daughter.

FISHER.—At Southern Pines, North Carolina, Jan. 3, Mrs. Fisher died of quick consumption. She was just set to type writing and shorthand at Acadia Seminary. A year ago last Christmas she contracted a severe cold while returning to Wolfville after spending her holidays in her home at Woodstock, N. B. She never recovered but went into rapid decline. Eleven weeks previous to her death she went to Southern Pines in the hope of partial recovery at least. She was suddenly translated instead. She was a bright, ambitious young woman with a host of friends. She had a living faith in Jesus and is now with him.

MCGREGOR.—At Somerville, Mass., Jan. 8th, aged 71, wife of Dea. D. S. McGregor, formerly of Chipman. Minister McGregor was a sincere Christian and departed rejoicing in his Saviour. Beside her husband three sons and a daughter remain to cherish her memory. Her remains were brought to Chipman, N. B. for interment.