

## REV. H. R. BAXTER IS ORDAINED

### Many Assist at Impressive Ceremony Conducted in Centenary.

Rev. Harry Robert Baxter, B. A., was ordained a minister of the Methodist Church of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island conference at a solemnly impressive service last evening in Centenary church. Rev. E. E. Styles, president of the conference, Rev. F. H. J. Holmes of Fredericton, secretary, Rev. F. A. Wightman of Devon, chairman of the Fredericton district, Rev. W. G. Watson, B. A., D. D., professor of Old Testament Exegesis at Mount Allison; Rev. R. G. Fulton, pastor of Centenary; Rev. Neil MacLachlan, Rev. Robert Smart of Westfield, and Rev. Fred T. Bertram participated in the solemn laying on of hands which consummated the final ceremonies. Other clergymen present were: Rev. H. A. Goodwin, Rev. L. J. Wason of Silver Falls, Rev. James M. Rios, B. A., of Fairville, Rev. E. Rowlands of Westfield, Rev. Gordon Stevens of O'Leary, P. E. I., Rev. Chester Brown of Biddeford, P. E. I.

Robert Irving sang with fine effect "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

Appropriate hymns were sung heartily by the congregation, led by a large choir, which was assisted by Fred J. Punter, leader of the Carlton Methodist church choir. Rev. Mr. Holmes read the Epistle and Gospel, Rev. Dr. Watson gave the injunction to the candidates, Rev. Mr. MacLachlan and Rev. Mr. Fulton read the prayers; Rev. Mr. Styles preached the sermon and presented the ordination charges. The text was "Feed the flock of God, which is among you." The confession of faith and his relation of his call to the ministry by Rev. Mr. Baxter were very impressive. He said that his taking up this sacred work was not a sudden impulse, but a gradual awakening to the possibilities of service. This development had been brought about by the influence of a devoted Christian mother, whose hopes and prayers, with the refining influence of a Sunday school, had all led to his final resolution. This had been more specially impressed upon him by his former pastor, Rev. Mr. Bertram, who had opened the way to him to realize his opportunity. There was no time in his life that he had any marked impression. His life had developed in a Christian home. In closing, Rev. Mr. Baxter said: "I cannot say just when I thought of preaching, since it is to say I am here and I know it is this work to which I am called."

Served in War.

Rev. Mr. Baxter is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Baxter of Westfield, where he worked on the farm for several years before he decided to take up the study of divinity at Mount Allison University, some time before the war. He left college to join the 6th Signal Battalion and went overseas to four years of service at the front. He was wounded when in Flanders, but did not return home until the end of the war. When he again took up his college work, he went to Saskatchewan where he preached for two years as a lay preacher. He was then for a short time in Gaspe, and his work there has led to his early ordination. Rev. Mr. Baxter was ready for ordination last spring, when he graduated, but he wished to take further studies at Mount Allison. This plan has been disturbed by the insistent call of the people of Gaspe, who have without a moment's delay asked specially that Rev. Mr. Baxter be released from college to minister to them.

"It was the first ordination that has been conducted for several years in Centenary. The conference time is the regular period for such occasions, and the authority to hold this service was granted by a special consent of the conference committee for extraordinary ruling."

Family Present.

Rev. Mr. Baxter has had a brilliant career as a student. He is particularly literary in his tastes, and his poems and articles have been published in the college magazine and in the Telegraph-Journal on many occasions. His articles on the St. John River have created a fine impression upon literary minds.

Mr. and Mrs. James Baxter, his parents; his sister, Miss Ruth Baxter, and brother, Rufus Baxter, were among those present at the service.

Mrs. M. I. F. Carvell of Fredericton, a cousin, was also one of forty special relatives and friends who witnessed a ceremony, which was attended by a fair representation of the Methodists of the city.

Rev. Mr. Baxter has a fine presence and earnest manner. His mode of address is clear and direct.

## F. P. NAPIER HEADS HAVELOCK LODGE

The installation of the officers took place at a special meeting of Havelock L. O. L., last evening in the lodge hall in the Market Building. The installing officer was Worthy District Master W. M. Campbell. The officers were: Worthy master, F. P. Napier; deputy master, F. J. Holder; chaplain, Rev. R. P. Follett, recording secretary, J. H. Gullid; secretary-treasurer, T. A. Pettie; inside tyler, George Clark; committee men, F. S. Purdy and L. W. Mowry. Addresses were delivered by the retiring officers and those that were installed and after the business of the meeting refreshments were served and there was a smoker. The evening was much enjoyed and proved a happy social occasion.

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IMPORTANT MEETING  
The City Public Service Employees' Union, Local 16476, will hold their regular meeting in the Trades and Labor Hall, Prince Wm. street tonight at 8 o'clock. Matters of utmost importance will be discussed. All members are expected to attend. By order of the President. 4046-12-29

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THREE BOY SKATERS  
DROWNED IN RIVER

St. Rose, Que., Dec. 27.—Three little boys, Antonio Labonville, 11, and his brother, Marcel, 12, and Paul Nadon, 10, were drowned last night when ice upon which they were skating broke and they fell into the Terrebonne River.

## STONE AGE RELICS FOUND IN AFRICA

### English Explorer Picks Up Axe Head in the Camerouns.

London, Dec. 28.—A collection of paleolithic and neolithic axeheads and other implements, found along forest tracks in West Africa, are among the trophies which have been brought home by F. W. H. Migeod, explorer, who has just returned from a journey through the British Camerouns, a former German colony.

Hunters of the Stone Age, making their way into a forest or wood to hew down trees or branches, dropped axe heads here and there alongside primeval tracks, and on the same spots, untouched and unregarded through successive ages, they have lain for the Englishman at last to pick them up.

Mr. Migeod has some curious stories to tell of the marriage customs of the tribes. The Mben people of British Camerouns and the Mushi, who live south of the Benue River, a tributary of the Niger, practice a curious form of double marriage. When a man marries his sister's wife the brother of his bride, should a sister be unavailable, which is rare, he has to give equivalent service to his brother-in-law by working for him. The average value of a sister is about three years' not very hard work.

The Mushi have laws against intermarriage which are so strict that beside the British table of affinities is a stack of simplicity. When a marriage is a family concern it is convened, composed generally of elders with long memories, whose business it is to see that there is no impediment of relationship between the intended bride and bridegroom. Mr. Migeod puts the matter more scientifically, and the names are not his, but it is clear that amid the elders the discussions must have been a British flavor. "She was a girl, but her grandfather on the mother's side was one of the Okikiloi of G'bunga. They do say there is a strain of that Xixoo blood."

The impediments are so difficult to unravel and so difficult to often the councils break up for lengthy private discussions, like an altar conference.

One tribe has traditional names for all twins, varying as they are both boys or girls or mixed. "These names were given them by God," they say.

Another tribe buries its dead, like the ancient Egyptians, in a niche opening on to a shaft sunk in the ground. The bodies are protected with bamboo, so that no earth may fall into the chamber and press on them, and then the shaft is filled up.

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## SHOPLIFTER QUEEN IS GIVEN 3 YEARS

### Golden-haired Little Woman With Innocent Face, a Gang Leader.

London, Dec. 28.—The other day there stood on the dock at the old Bailey, London's world-famed criminal court, a pretty, golden-haired little woman, who would never have been suspected of being what she was, a veritable queen of the underworld. Maggie Hughes is her name and she was charged with shoplifting. Maggie achieved a reputation in crime which few men have ever known. In the calendar her age was given as 24, and she looked no more. Petite, expensively dressed in silks and furs, with a pair of chic red shoes she might have been a queen of the vaudeville stage, instead of the cleverest shoplifter in London. Maggie was the guiding spirit of a gang of female shop thieves, generally known as the "Elephant Mob," a name which doubtless came from the fact that most of the members live in the neighborhood of the Elephant and Castle. Maggie was their acknowledged leader. She issued all orders, took possession of the booty, and transferred it to the "fence," who disposed of everything. She spent practically all her time in the docks, where the High Court of the boot, and transferred it to the "fence," who disposed of everything. She spent practically all her time in the docks, where the High Court of the boot, and transferred it to the "fence," who disposed of everything.

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2 tins Mackerel . . . . . 23c  
2 tins Sliced Pineapple . . . . . 23c  
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2 tins Boneless Codfish . . . . . 23c

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Corn . . . . . 15c.  
2 Large tin Tomatoes . . . . . 25c.  
2 lb. tin Sliced Pineapple . . . . . 25c.  
2 lb. tin Peaches . . . . . 25c.  
1 lb. tin Pears . . . . . 25c.  
2 tins Brunswick Sardines . . . . . 25c.  
2 tins Finnan Haddock . . . . . 25c.  
4 Bags Table Salt . . . . . 25c.  
3 pkgs Shaker Salt . . . . . 25c.  
2 pkgs Shredded Wheat . . . . . 25c.  
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2 tins Carnation Milk . . . . . 25c.  
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