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OBITUARY NOTICES.

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REV. A. D. THOMPSON fell asleep in Jesus, September 10, 1870. He was born in St. Andrews August 7, 1800, and was born again when about 25 years of age. He was then engaged in teaching a successful school in his own community, and was instrumental in the conversion of several of his pupils. In 1830 the late Rev. Thomas Ansley visited the County of Charlotte, and his ministry was attended by a remarkable work of grace. Among the number baptized by him was A. D. Thompson; but as there was no Baptist Church at St. Andrews at that time, he joined the Church in Calais. Subsequently a Church was organized at the Ledge, St. Stephen, in which he took an active part, and was called by the new Church to ordination. Rev. T. H. Harding preached his ordination sermon: Rev. Joseph Crandal, Rev. Thos. Magee, and Rev. John Masters assisted in the service. He itinerated extensively not only through the County of Charlotte, and in the State of Maine, but also in many sections of these Provinces, and was eminently successful in the conversion of souls. Some five hundred persons were baptized by him. His ministry partook largely of the missionary spirit; he was therefore never more in his element than when engaged in pleading for Home and Foreign Missions. He was a friend to education; and some of his last years were mainly devoted to the collection of funds for Acadia College, and for the Seminary at Fredericton. His last sermon was preached in the spring of 1868. His illness was protracted and severe; but he was blessedly sustained by the rich and precious promises of the Gospel; and when death came to his release, it found him ready to go up and receive the promised crown, all radiant with many gems brought to Christ through his instrumentality.

Rev. J. E. Hopper frequently visited him during his last sickness, conducted his funeral services, administered consolation to his bereaved widow and children, and saw his remains deposited beside the grave of Father Ansley, on Sand Point Bay. What a glorious resurrection these two faithful witnesses will have together when the Saviour shall come to fashion their mortal bodies like unto His own most glorious body.

In an obituary notice written by Brother Hopper for the *Christian Visitor*, and published Oct. 6th, 1870, the writer very justly remarks: "The departed ranks among those we term the 'Fathers.' He partook largely of their spirit. His religion was a thing of the heart as well as of the mind. He yearned over dying men, and besought them in Christ's stead to be reconciled to God. He being dead yet speaketh. His sermons, exhortations, and prayers, are remembered by thousands; and, like bread cast upon the waters, will be seen after many days.

The N. B. Western Baptist Association esteemed him highly in love for his work's sake, and make this record of their departed