

of the Sabbaths during the time he was in Congress. In 1869, there was a general desire among the Republicans of Maine that he should be their candidate for Governor. But although great pressure was brought to bear upon him and he was himself disposed to consent for the sake of the principles of temperance, he finally refused to allow his name to be used. Mr. Knowlton had all the mental and moral qualities that go to make up the real statesman, such as ability, strength, foresight, decision, honesty, integrity, love of humanity, and fear of God; and the only reason he did not rise to higher positions in the affairs of state was because he declined to do so, believing that, as a minister of Christ, he was holding the highest office on earth. When urged to become a candidate for Governor, he wrote to a leading religious politician saying, among other things: "You urge me to be Governor so as to enforce prohibition. I know rum-selling is a crime and grog-shops are a nuisance. A radical law with front teeth and grinders should be kept on the statute book and be lived up to. But a correct moral sentiment among the people is the only means to secure this end. This moral sentiment grows only out of the gospel. The Christian ministry is the leading agency in spreading the gospel. So do let me alone, that what there is left of me may be devoted to the appropriate work of my profession. It is easier to find good and suitable material to make governors of, than it is to find good and suitable material to make ministers. It is but little I can do anywhere, but I would rather see one young man in my congregation soundly

converted to Christ than to have any office in the gift of man."

He was often appointed to preach at denominational gatherings, but accepted with extreme diffidence. He was desired as pastor in Lewiston, Auburn, Augusta, Portland, Boston, New York and other places, but accepted none of these positions. He was very firm in his denominational loyalty. He was one of the projectors of the Maine State Seminary, which grew into Bates College. Other positions of responsibility were as follows: Trustee of Colby University, trustee of Bates College, president of the Foreign Mission Society, corporator of the Printing Establishment, and moderator of three General Conferences. He died suddenly while taking a bath in a pond near his home, where he was accustomed to fish and swim. His death was conspicuously noticed by resolutions in town meeting, and by the denomination in which he was a pillar of strength.

**Knowlton, Hon. Hiram**, son of William and Mary (Chapman) Knowlton, was born at New Portland, Me., in 1823. He studied at Farmington, Me., and entered upon the profession of attorney-at-law. He has held town and county offices, was a member of the Legislature in 1873 and 1874; was a member of the Executive Council in 1871, and of the State Valuation Commission in 1880. In 1888 he was appointed Bank Examiner. He has been an honored and useful member of our church at Lewiston. In 1846 he married Sabrina W. Chapman and has one child living.

**Knowlton, Rev. Zina**, died at his home in Monroe, Me., Sept. 7, 1885.

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**Ladd, Rev. David Merrill**, son of Asa and Martha (Chase) Ladd, was born at Haverhill, N. H., in 1806. At the age of ten he with his parents moved to Enosburg, Vt. He was converted in 1823. Licensed in 1830, he was ordained by the Enosburg Q. M. He had labored at Enosburg Falls, East Farnham, and St. Albans. He had been clerk of the Enosburg Q. M., and justice of the peace.

He married Harriet Hinman in 1829, and at his death Jan. 8, 1889, left a daughter and an aged sister.

**Ladd, Rev. Enoch P.**, died in Limerick, Me., July 14, 1874, aged forty-two years. He was born in Deerfield, N. H. At the age of seventeen he was converted and baptized by Rev. P. S. Burbank, joining the church in Deerfield. He prepared for college at New Hampton, grad-

uated at Dartmouth College and Andover Theological Seminary. In 1864 he married Miss Margaret Rand, of Deerfield. The same year he was ordained and settled for five years at Alton Bay, N. H. He was in his fifth year at Limerick at his death; twenty-four had been added by baptism.

Lafler, Rev. Sidney, a native of Seneca, N. Y., died in Potter April 5, 1876, aged 69 years. He was converted in 1831 under the labors of Elder Wire, and joined the church at Middlesex Centre. Five years later he joined the Potter church, and remained a member until his death. He commenced his ministry in 1833, and, like many of the early fathers, went about preaching in schoolhouses and destitute places wherever he could do good, as long as his health would permit.

Lake, Rev. Phips W., was probably ordained in 1822. He was pastor of the Virgil (N. Y.) church for some years. In 1826 he became pastor at Ames, and remained there about ten years, when he left the Free Communion Baptists, with whom he had been associated. He was a man of good ability and for a time was quite prominent among his associates.

Lamb, Rev. Elliot S., was born in Canaan, N. H., May 26, 1810, and died in Weld, Me., June 17, 1888. His parents were Luther and Lucretia Lamb. They lived in Vershire, Vt., from soon after his birth until he became seventeen years of age, when they moved to Leeds, Me., where he lived till 1873, when he moved to Weld to help his brother care for their aged father. He was converted at the age of twenty and baptized by Rev. Silas Curtis. He received license in June, 1840, and was ordained at a session of the Bowdoin Q. M. two years afterwards. He has preached as an evangelist most of the time, and has labored in revivals in Winthrop, Wayne, Leeds, Danville, Pownal, Auburn, Lewiston, Greene and other places. He organized the Second church in Weld in 1880, and was its pastor until his death. He has baptized forty converts. He married, May 28, 1833, Miss Julia A. Stanley, who died Nov. 22, 1872, leaving one daughter, his only child. March 15, 1874, he

married Miss Rozillah Lawrence of Weld. He died in precious triumph and joy.

Lamb, Rev. George, was born in Lincolnville, Me., in 1788. Though deprived of early educational advantages, he yet possessed a very inquisitive and well balanced mind, of more than ordinary power. Converted at the age of fourteen, he joined the Free Baptist church. At the age of twenty-five he began to preach in his native place, and his success was such that he was ordained in 1813. He now began an itinerant ministry, traveling some with an older brother who was a clergyman. In 1815 he went to Rhode Island in company with Joseph White, and ministered to the Pascoag church, organized three years before. Here they met John Colby, and enjoyed sweet seasons together in the Master's work. On September 23, the day of "the great gale," they were holding their Q. M. in the Pascoag church. In November he returned to Maine and labored at Montville and elsewhere. In May, 1816, he began his service in "the great revival" with the church at Brunswick. The church had sunk so low that its reorganization was found necessary. He married in 1817, and abandoning his itinerant ministry, continued to serve this church for seventeen years. In 1835 he gathered a church in Bangor. But failing health caused him to decline settlement. Sent by the Bowdoin Q. M. on a committee to enquire concerning a waning interest at Topsham, he held services with them in 1836; a remarkable revival was enjoyed, and about forty were baptized, but his death soon terminated the relation. He died suddenly Dec. 14, 1836. He was even in temperament, uniformly good and universally beloved.

Lamb, Rev. John, was born in Lincolnville, Me., in 1776. In 1808 he was ordained, and for twenty years he had a useful ministry. He preached the gospel without pecuniary recompense and at the same time supported with hard labor a large family. For some time his public ministry was hindered by asthma. He died June 4, 1828, at the age of 52 years.

Lancaster, Rev. David, was born in Canaan, Me., Aug. 9, 1818. His parents were Abiel and Ann (Burrell) Lancaster. He was converted at the age of nine, and studied at Little's Institute, Auburn, and in Pike's Preparatory School, Burnswick. He studied theology under Mr. Pike of Brunswick. His license to preach was granted in January, 1838, and Sept. 12, 1841, he was ordained by the Exeter Q. M. His pastorates were Brunswick, Augusta, Lisbon (First church), Gray, Scarboro' and Gardiner, Me., and Greenville, R. I. Half of his ministry has been spent as an evangelist. He has preached in 116 towns of Maine, has traveled over 50,000 miles and delivered more than 10,000 sermons. He has labored in thirty revivals and organized one church. He married Nov. 30, 1845, Miss Frances Crockett (deceased). Aug. 13, 1854, he married Mrs. Mary Morison. He has lost all of his five children, and now resides in Cambridge, Me. (1887).

Land, Rev. D. E., son of J. and Lucinda (Munder) Land, was born in Norfolk, Va., July 6, 1847. In September, 1861, he escaped from home, joining the Fifteenth New York Regiment under Captain N. H. Mooney of Plattsburgh, N. Y. In October, 1863, he went to Plattsburgh, and soon settled in Beekmantown, where he lived till 1869, attending school till the spring of 1866. He was converted Sept. 12, 1867, and two years later he entered the classical school at Richmond, Vt. In the spring of 1871 he studied for two years at Burlington, Vt. He was licensed by the first church at Starksboro in February, 1873, and and ordained at East Cambridge in September, 1878. His pastorates are: Stowe, one year; Cambridge, two years; Waterbury, one year; Corinth, two years; East Orange and Topsham, three years; West Bolton, P. Q., two years. He has recently lived at Massawippi, and for two years has preached at Hatley.

Landon, Rev. William H., was connected with the Free Communion Baptist Conference of Canada. He attempted union with the Calvinistic

Baptists, and in 1840 even went so far as to persuade the conference (then called the London District Baptist Association) to dissolve; but, to use his language, "these desirable arrangements were never accomplished," and with his church at Woodstock he remained not connected with any organization.

Lang, Rev. Larkin A., son of Darius and Mary (Emerson) Lang, was born at Brighton, Me., Feb. 17, 1822. He studied at Conway, N. H., in 1841-42. Converted in March, 1837, he was licensed at Conway in 1845, and ordained the same year by the Conway Q. M. During a pastorate of sixteen years at Conway, he enjoyed frequent revivals, baptizing about one hundred and twenty. At present he is a member of the Boston church, residing at Lynn, Mass., and is engaged in the practice of medicine. In September, 1845, he married Harriet W. Leavitt. They have five children.

Lane, Rev. W. B., son of Jos. W. and Cloe (Sheppiela) Lane, was born in Early County, Ga., Jan. 24, 1854. He was converted in 1870, received license to preach in 1879, and was ordained the following year by Rev's C. C. Martin and J. I. Hill. His ministry has been spent in the Chattahoochee Association, Ga., where he has baptized 125 converts, organized two churches, and has aided in gathering three others.

Langworthy, Rev. John M., son of Nathan and Lucy A. (Dye) Langworthy, was born in Brookfield, N. Y., March 6, 1831. He was baptized by Rev. A. Bennett when eleven years of age, and, with few advantages, by persistence prepared for teaching. After reaching majority, though dependent on his own exertions he attended Whitestown Seminary and in 1858 graduated from Madison University. He had received license in 1854, and June 18, 1858, he was ordained, settling as pastor of the Prospect and Grant churches. After two years he became pastor of the Franklin church, and remained six years, including one year as a soldier in the Civil War. Returning to Prospect in 1866, he served as principal of Prospect Academy until 1868, and as pastor until 1871, when he moved to

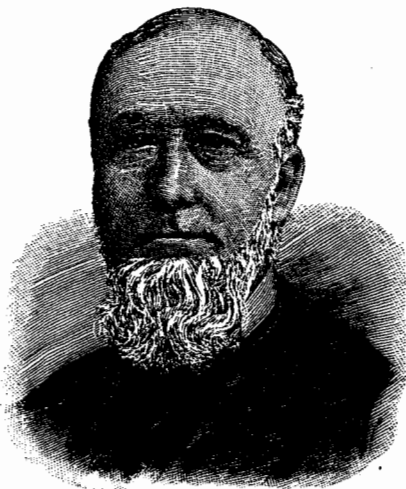
Utica, to educate his children. Since that time he has ministered to the churches at Washington Mills, Columbus, Ames, Poland, and now at Stephentown and Alps. These churches have invariably been strengthened, and all but two have enjoyed revivals during his pastorates. In the summer of 1875 he served as agent of the Central Association in raising funds, and in the winter as their evangelist, holding meetings at several places with precious results. He has served as delegate to the General Conference, and has baptized 400 converts. He was married to Diana A. Dennison in 1858. Their two daughters are teachers in Utica, and their son is a physician at New Hartford, N. Y.

Lansing, Rev. Peter, son of Alexander, was born at Saratoga, N. Y., May 9, 1808. After some wanderings, and a remarkable view of heaven during a severe sickness, he was converted in 1833, and ordained in 1844, taking charge of the Providence church of the Miami Q. M., and residing at Laurenceburgh, Ind. By an anti-slavery article in the *Morning Star*, he offended some of his parishioners, but also by the same article became known to people of Mainville, O., and he ministered to them until 1850. After spending three years in Jasper County, Ind., and organizing a church there, he settled in Wisconsin, where he remained thirteen years, and organized seven churches. Then, after a revival in Iowa, he moved to Nebraska and organized two churches. During his ministry he has engaged much in revival work, and baptized 1014 converts. He represented the Ohio Y. M. in the General Conference of 1844. He has served in several local offices, and has always stood firm for temperance and every moral interest in the community. In 1833 he married Lucinda Leland, and now makes his home with his children in Nebraska.

Lapham Institute. See *Smithville Seminary*.

Lash, Rev. John B., son of Abraham and Eleanor (Beal) Lash, was born in Athens, O., Jan. 25, 1841, and was married to Nancy Coyl March 29, 1870. When asked the number of his children,

the answer has been, "Seven, and all boys." One of them has died. Brother Lash was graduated from the Ohio University at Athens in 1869, and the same year was licensed to preach. While engaged in teaching, 1869-72, he was ordained by Rev. I. Z. Haning and others in August, 1871. He has had pastoral care of the Mainville and Pleasant Plain churches 1872-75, and of churches in the Seneca and Huron Q. M. 1875-80, in the



Rev. J. B. Lash.

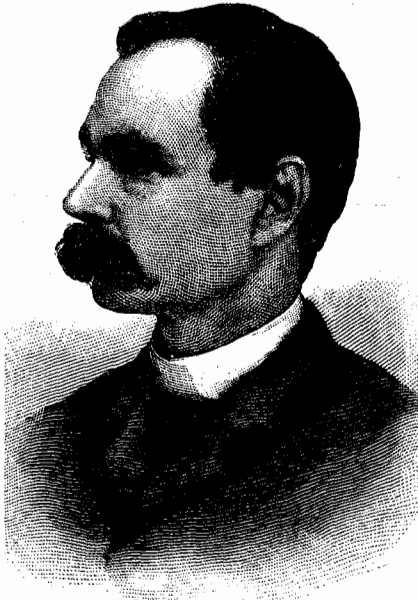
Harmony Q. M. 1880-83, in the Salem Q. M., Ind., 1883-84 and in the Cass and Berrien Q. M., Mich., to the present. He has had revivals in most of the churches with which he has been connected, and has baptized 135 converts. He served as a trustee of Hillsdale College, Mich., 1878-83. Mrs. Lash was a prominent worker in the Woman's Mission Society in Ohio, and much of the success of that organization is due to her example and efforts.

Latham, Deacon Cyrus H., son of Cyrus and Betsey (daughter of Rev. E. Stinchfield) Latham, was born at Raymond, Me., June 1, 1824. He early moved to Lowell, Mass., where he studied in the public school. Converted in 1840, he united with the Paige Street church, of which he is still a member, having served his brethren for many years as deacon. He has been a

corporator of the Printing Establishment and a trustee of Bates College. In 1849 he married Mary E. Wiggin.

Lathrop, Rev. S., was ordained in 182-, and labored in Vermont.

Lawrence, Richard M., was born in Dover, Eng., Feb. 29, 1848. He came to this country with his parents, John and Mary (Avenden) Hogbin, in 1855, and settled on a farm in Wisconsin, where he remained until sixteen years of age. During the next three years he



Richard M. Lawrence.

earned enough to undertake a classical course at Hillsdale, which was completed in four years. After spending one winter and spring in California, teaching, he accepted a call to India to take charge of the mission press and finances. (See *Mission in India*). At the end of seven years, after the death of his wife, Frankie (Millard) Lawrence, to whom he was married in 1878, he returned, reaching home December, 1881. After taking a commercial course of study, he went into business, continuing for five years with such success that he was able to retire

from it and enter exclusively upon the Master's work. Although having other plans in view, the necessities of the *Free Baptist* (q. v.) and the urgent importunities of its friends led him to undertake the work of more thoroughly establishing that paper, and in this he is now (1888) doing efficient service. May 1, 1884, he married as his second wife, Miss Jennie Ford, and has one child.

Leach, Rev. Henry, was converted by hearing the voice of Rev. Henry Hobbs sounding in solemn tones from the Parsonfield Q. M. convened in a grove in northern Saco more than a mile away. On this afternoon in August, 1808, Leach yielded to conviction and found pardon. He was ordained in 1821, and after a ministry in Maine left the denomination.

Leach, Ira, a native of Pultney, N. Y., died at Marsh Creek, Pa., Dec. 10, 1883, aged 62 years. He joined the Pultney church in youth, and was licensed to preach. Later, in Potter County, Pa., he labored with good acceptance among destitute churches, and souls were won to Christ. He was connected at the time of his death with the Delamar church of the Tioga County Q. M.

Leach, Rev. Zachariah, was born at Cape Elizabeth, Me., in 1765. He moved to Raymond, and was baptized by Rev. Nathan Merrill. He was ordained Nov. 6, 1794, by Randall and others. In 1799 he became clerk of the Edgecomb Q. M. In 1808 he had an extensive reformation at Standish, in which Joseph White was converted, and soon became an efficient minister. He preached three times at the Y. M. at Edgecomb in September, 1811. He was followed by Buzzell and Colby. March 18, 1812, he wrote to the *Religious Magazine* of an agreeable journey he had had among the churches of the Sandy River country. He made the ordaining prayer, while Joseph White preached the sermon, at the ordination of Clement Phinney at Standish Neck in 1816. In 1834 he added forty-six to his church by baptism and the next year twenty-nine. He died in 1842.

Leavenworth, Rev. J. B., was born of Puritan ancestry, June 5, 1820, at Sandgate, Vt. He settled at Novi, Mich., about 1844, and received ordination eighteen years later. His ministry has been in this vicinity.

Leavitt, Rev. Benjamin, was ordained in 182- and labored in New York and Indiana.

Leavitt, Rev. Stephen, died in Corinth, Vt., Sept. 1, 1875. He was born in Meredith, N. H., in May, 1794. At the age of seventeen he was converted under the preaching of Rev. John Colby, and was baptized by Colby, soon after uniting with the church in Meredith. He was married in 1818, and in about three years moved to Corinth, Vt. In May, 1826, he was licensed by the Strafford Q. M., and in one year from that time was ordained. His work was mostly as an evangelist in the Strafford and Corinth Q. M's, where he helped to raise up several new churches. His labors called him much from home, and his faithful wife had to bear burdens which prematurely injured her health. He labored in Vermont till 1847, and then moved to Plymouth, N. H., and preached most of the time at Holderness till 1852, when he became pastor at Alexandria, remaining there seven years. He was pastor at Holderness three years. With his wife, he spent his declining years, which were full of suffering, with a daughter in Campton. They moved to Corinth, Vt., about two years before his death.

Lee, Rev. John S., a native of Orange County, N. Y., died in Fayette, Ia., March 10, 1872, aged 63 years. At the age of thirty, he united with the church in Veteran, N. Y., where he was ordained five years later. He was pastor of the Veteran and Odessa churches, and aided others in revivals. In 1865 he moved to Iowa, and was connected with the Spring Valley church until his death. The Delaware and Clayton Q. M. (Ia.) passed resolutions of appreciation.

Lee, Rev. Lemon W., a native of Vermont, was licensed to preach in 1820, and ordained in Boston, N. Y., Nov. 12, 1831. He labored several years in western New York and saw much of the

glory of God. After a season in Illinois, he went, some twenty years before his death, to Wisconsin, laboring for a time at Winneconne, and later residing at Winnebago, where he died Feb. 15, 1875, aged 90 years. His last sermon was preached the June preceding his death. He was a true, devoted minister.

Leighton, Rev. John Buzzell, was born in Barrington, N. H., Aug 24, 1826. His father, Israel Leighton, married Mary Buzzell, a daughter of John Buzzell of Effingham, N. H., whose wife was a sister of Benjamin Randall. Brother Leighton studied theology at New Hampton, having been brought to Christ in 1853, and received license in 1857. He was ordained in March, 1861. His pastorates have been at Belmont, N. H., N. Danville, Vt., and Madison, New Durham, and Gilmanton Iron Works, N. H. Since 1878, on account of difficulty in the throat, he has held no pastorates. He married Merribah Foss in 1855, and S. Lizzie Clough in 1863, and has five children. He resides at Vineland, N. J.

Lennan, Rev. John, was ordained in 1821 and labored in Maine. He afterwards left the denomination.

Lent, Rev. Smith, son of Joseph Lent, was born in Putnam County, N. Y., Aug. 27, 1808. He went to Bradford County, Pa., in 1832, was converted two years later, and ordained by Elder A. Dodge and others, in 1840, at Rome, where he has since resided. His ministry has been in this vicinity. He was an early advocate of abolition and temperance. He married Mary A. Miller in 1830. Of several children, three sons served in the army, and one, Geo. A., was in the ministry.

Leonard, Rev. Abner, after a ministry of about ten years in New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Vermont, died at Hinsdale, N. H., Oct. 1, 1832. His last connection was with the Dover Q. M.

Leshar, Rev. J. L., of Ireton, Ia., and son of William and Lydia (Hileman) Leshar, was born in Niagara County, N. Y., Sept. 20, 1830. He married Nancy J. Allred of Perrysville, Ind., in 1852, and their six children are all Christian workers. Brother Leshar was

converted in early life, and received ordination Nov. 22, 1863. His labors have been "at the front," and some of the time attended with long journeys. Two churches have been organized, and more than one hundred converts baptized.

Letts, Rev. James, a native of Ulster, N. Y., was converted in 1850 and united with the Parish church at its organization. He acted as colporteur and agent of the American Tract Society three years, during which time he also held revival services and was connected with the Parish, Lyndon, and Angelica churches. Early in 1858 he held services with the Burns church; many were added and he became its pastor. He was ordained March 3, 1861, and in 1863 returned to the Oswego Q. M., and took charge of the Parish, Redfield, and Constantia churches, holding revivals with them and with the Osceola church the following winter. He was an active, persevering, and successful minister, and died of fever, Dec. 9, 1864.

Lewis, Rev. Daniel B., was born in Cornish, Me., March 1, 1804, and died at Waterville, Oct. 16, 1859. His parents moved with him to Waterville, where, at the age of twenty, he publicly confessed Christ, and the next year was baptized by Rev. L. Lewis. He soon saw his duty clearly, and, after deep conviction, began to preach. He was licensed, and in 1831 was ordained by the Exeter Q. M. in Pittsfield, Me. For thirty years the Sabbath nearly always found him at his post preaching Jesus. His evenings he gave to study and to preparation for his ministry. In Sydney, Waterville, Smithfield, Belgrade, Mt. Vernon, Readfield, Unity and Thorndike he went organizing churches and baptizing converts. He has been called "quite the father of the Waterville Q. M." He was a modest, unassuming preacher, firm and unwavering in his faith, earnest and effective in his appeals.

Lewis, Rev. Edward Dodge, son of Solomon and Hannah (Weeks) Lewis, was born at West Windsor, N. Y., Feb. 9, 1824. He was educated at Farmington Academy and Geauga Seminary, Ohio. Soon after his conversion in

1841 he began to preach, and May 23, 1847, was ordained in Bazetta, Ohio. His first pastorate was at Williamsfield, O., commencing in 1844. After this he labored in the Crawford Q. M., Pa., and the Lake County, Q. M., O., and in 1848 entered upon the work in Wisconsin. His subsequent pastorates have been with the churches at Rutland and Cookville three years, Oregon three years organizing the church at Bellville, Johnstown three years, Honey Creek seven years, Warren, Ill., two years, Rock Creek three years, Prairie City two years, Strong's Prairie, Wis., several years while regaining health, Bradford 1875-77, Oakfield five years, Gobleville, Mich., five years and Burnett, Wis., to the present. These churches have been blessed under his labors, many being added to the membership. He has held various positions of responsibility, and was a member of the Centennial General Conference. April 3, 1844, he was married to Mary P. Woodworth, who received from the Ashtabula Q. M., O., license to preach, and engaged with him in the work. She died in 1863, and in 1865 he was married to Miss Eliza A. Cole, of Providence, R. I., who was graduated from Hillsdale College, Mich., in 1863. His children have all pursued courses of study in the higher institutions of learning.

Lewis, Rev. Elnathan, a native of Vermont, was converted in New York, and united with the Free Baptists in Illinois in 1845. He preached to destitute churches with devotion and success, was ordained in 1849, and died Dec. 21, 1853, aged 49 years, having been the means of gathering two churches in the south part of Grundy County, Ill. His loss was deeply felt.

Lewis, Rev. Franklin Pierce, the youngest son of Priscilla Lewis, was born in Lovettsville, Loudoun County, Va., March 4, 1857. Receiving his education at the public school and Storer College, he was ordained at Charlestown, W. Va., Nov. 14, 1885. Dec. 26, 1882, he was married to Fender M. Goer. The churches at Mt. Sinai, Va., and Mt. Pleasant, Md., have been served by him. Through his influence a church was or-

ganized at Lovettsville, Va., with Rev. P. W. Johnson as pastor, whom, after a few months, death removed from them. The subject of this sketch then assumed the care of the church and also of the public school. The church was organized with six members, but has increased in five years to sixty.

Lewis, Rev. James B., died in Toulon, Ill., Aug. 19, 1852, aged 35 years. He removed from Ohio in 1838, was converted in 1843 and ordained in 1851, becoming pastor of the Osceola and Boyd's Grove churches. At the time of his death he was clerk, treasurer and book agent of the Walnut Creek Q. M., also magistrate for the county. He was an earnest worker, a faithful student, a wise counselor, a clear preacher, and his early death was greatly lamented.

Lewis, Rev. Lincoln, was born at Waterville, Me., in 1799. He was ordained in 1822. In 1824, while in his native state, "he was directed by the Lord in a vision to take a tour westward." Not knowing whither he might be led, he passed through Parsonfield and was advised to go to Vermont, where Jonathan Woodman was laboring in a great revival. On his way through Franconia Notch he says: "I turned aside into Ellsworth to spend a night with Elder Blake. Climbing up those hills, I began to cry in my soul for that people. I tarried a few days and was importuned to remain; but the church was divided, a separate meeting had been established, and I passed over the mountains. At Lisbon I was kept awake most of the night by what seemed to me a voice, saying, 'Ellsworth!—Ellsworth!' I returned the next day and, entering the house of Brother Blake, he said to me, 'I knew you would come back, for several of the brethren were here praying last night, and we all got the evidence that if you were a man of God you would come back again.'" He now remained in the town a month; the church became united and enlarged; sinners were converted, and the same season a meeting-house was erected.

In June, 1825, the Montville Q. M. sent Brother Lewis with Rev. J. Farwell through the Exeter Q. M. and into "the

Piscataquis country," to visit the feeble churches and explore the northern region between the Kennebec and Penobscot rivers. Their report was favorable and led soon to the incoming of other ministers and the strengthening of the churches. The ministry of Brother Lewis was confined to Maine and New Hampshire. In April, 1858, he was moving his residence at Upper Gilman-ton, N. H. He went for a second load of goods and was taken ill. Recovering somewhat, he completed the removal, but sank into a serious illness that night and expired in the morning in his 60th year.

Lewis, Rev. Samuel, of Springfield, Me., died after brief illness, Sept. 4, 1850, aged nearly 75 years. He was born in Buxton, Me. At the age of twenty-four he married Miss Phebe Irish. He was converted at the age of twenty-eight and was baptized by John Buzzell. Having removed to Chatham, N. H., he began to preach and saw his labors blessed, especially in Sherburne. After five or six years he removed to Harrison, Me., where he had great revivals. February, 1830, he moved to Springfield in easterly Maine, where he was ordained by the Sebec Q. M. in 1832. He was instrumental in promoting revivals in this new section and in organizing and sustaining several of the churches that now compose the Springfield Q. M. His preaching was rich in Christian experience.

Lewis, Rev. Stephen, died at his residence in Augusta, Me., March 15, 1856, aged 77 years. He was licensed April 17, 1830, by the Edgecomb Q. M., and ordained in Whitefield Nov. 7, 1834. He spent most of his ministerial labors in Windsor, and in the Edgecomb Q. M. He was devoted to the spiritual welfare of his people and deeply interested in all the benevolent enterprises of the day. His remains were carried to Jefferson, his former home.

Lewis, Rev. Thomas, was ordained in 1810. His home was in Clinton, Me., and his itinerant ministry in the new settlements was blessed with great revivals. Having heard of spiritual destitution in Ohio, he started with his family for that



field. Late in the autumn of 1816 he reached Walworth, N. Y., and meeting old acquaintances he was induced to remain till spring. He began preaching at once. His eccentricities were the occasion of bitter remarks. But in log schoolhouses and humble dwellings powerful meetings were held, melting sinners and comforting saints, and the reformation spread into Ontario and Macedon. A gentleman where the Walworth church now stands, having heard Lewis spoken against, opened his house for him to preach. He came, and a great company found salvation, though few united with the Free Baptists. Only six were ready to organize a church. He returned to Maine in June for money to purchase a home here; but he became engaged in revival work there, so, instead of returning to New York, he sent for his family, and Maine continued to be his home. In 1818, around Chesterville, Wilton, New Portland and Anson his labors were greatly blessed, and in nine months he baptized one hundred and eighty. In 1820 many were brought to Christ by him in and around Cornville. Jonathan Hamilton, who spread the heresy called *Hamiltonism*, experienced religion under the labors of brother Lewis. His useful life came to an end in 1824.

**Lewis, Rev. W. T.**, died at Springfield, O., July 14, 1889, aged 36 years. He was ordained by the Baptists, Dr. Dowling serving on the council. He joined the Free Baptists because of open communion sentiments, and was enjoying a successful pastorate at Springfield when called to his reward.

**Libby, Rev. Almon**, was born in Minot, Me., Oct. 10, 1816. His parents were Deacon David and Dorcas (Nason) Libby. He became a Christian at the age of sixteen, and was a student in the Parsonfield Seminary. In 1837 he was ordained by the Cumberland Q. M. His pastorates have been in Cape Elizabeth, Kittery Point, First church in Brunswick, Booth Bay, Limerick, Georgetown, Phippsburgh, and Bowdoinham. He has resided in Lewiston, Me., the last sixteen years (1887), and during most of the time has supplied churches. He has labored in many revivals and baptized a

large number of converts. In 1886 he was an agent for the Androscoggin County Bible Society. He has been a member of General Conference. He was married Jan. 19, 1843, to Miss Hannah H. Hall, and has four children living. Two sons graduated from Bates College; one is a civil engineer, the other is a district attorney in Colorado. His youngest daughter is on the editorial staff of the *Lewiston Journal*.

**Libby, Rev. Asa**, labored in Maine.

**Libby, Rev. Charles O.**, died in Dover, N. H., Dec. 21, 1876. He was born in Gorham, Me., May 13, 1811. In 1831 he became a Christian and united with the Congregationalist church in Gorham. He prepared for college at Gorham



Rev. C. O. Libby.

Academy. In May, 1834, he married Miss Hannah McDougall, of Gorham. In 1843 his convictions on the subject of baptism led him to be immersed and join the Free Baptists. After a severe experience he yielded to his call to preach, and was licensed in 1843, and ordained in 1844, the sermon being preached by Rev. Samuel Burbank. He first preached to a small church in Standish, where there were several conversions. His first pastorate included the Scarboro' and Cape Elizabeth churches in Maine, and in eight years large numbers were added

to the churches. He was then pastor at South Parsonfield eight years, where many were added by baptism, among them Rev. C. A. Hilton, of Chelsea, Mass. After one year at N. Berwick, he moved to Candia, N. H., where he preached five years with good success. His last pastorate was at Wells, Me. After two years there, he moved to Dover, N. H.

His business talent, which afterwards enabled him to serve the Foreign Mission Society so successfully, was always made a blessing to the churches which employed him. He was many years a member of the Foreign Mission Board. From 1858 to 1861 he was president of the society, from 1862 to 1876 corresponding secretary, and from 1867 to 1876 corresponding secretary and treasurer and agent. In this position he was very efficient and became widely known in the denomination. He systematized the work of the society, introduced the card system for collecting funds, and for a time published a small paper in the interest of the mission. To his efforts in behalf of the mission and his anxiety for the success of the work was attributed the nervous prostration which came upon him more than two years before his death, and from which he never fully recovered. As a citizen he was highly esteemed and honored with places of trust. He had been chairman of the board of education and president of one branch of the city government. He was twice sent to the Legislature, the last time the summer before his death. His hopeful spirit, his always active humor, and his unwavering faith made his presence ever grateful and welcome.

Libby, Rev. David, was born in Poland, Me., June 2, 1822. He was a younger brother of the Rev. Almon Libby. He became a Christian when fourteen years of age; was licensed in June, 1845, and ordained by the Bowdoin Q. M. two years later. He has had pastorates in South Lewiston, Harrison, Harpswell, Freeport, Poland and Lisbon, and has baptized a large number of converts. He married, April 12, 1847, Miss Mary C. Smith (deceased). His second marriage was May 5, 1868, to Mrs. Maria C. Perley. He has two children living.

Libby, Rev. Elias, died in Limerick, Me., March 29, 1871. He was born in Scarborough, Me., in 1790. In 1822 he began to preach in Limerick, where a revival ensued and a church was organized of thirty-six members July 10. Here, soon after, he was ordained as pastor. In 1823 he united with J. Buzzell in publishing a hymn-book. Nov. 27, 1824, he was chosen vice-president of the Maine Freewill Baptist Charitable Society at its organization. In 1825 he was conversing with Samuel Burbank on the subject of establishing a weekly paper, and agreed to refer the project to the Parsonfield Q. M. This led to the publication of the *Morning Star* at Limerick in May, 1826, with Elias Libby and eight others financially responsible for the enterprise for one year. The success of the undertaking brought Rev. Samuel Burbank and Wm. Burr into the Limerick church. In 1827 a season of refreshing was enjoyed. The next year thirty were added to the church, and in 1830 and 1831 more than sixty more. In 1839 he joined the Second Wakefield church, retaining his residence at Limerick. The next year he connected himself with the First Parsonfield church, retaining this relation for ten years. He engaged in an itinerant ministry, preferring it to a pastorate. He possessed a sound mind in a healthy body, and had good business ability. He was capable as a preacher, and a good pastor. He lived to see the conversion of all but one of a large family of children, and died in peace.

Libby, Rev. E. H., of East Windham, Me., died Sept. 18, 1866, aged 40 years. He was converted Aug. 10, 1830, and the next April was baptized by Rev. A. Libby, uniting with the Free Baptist church in Windham. He graduated at Waterville Aug. 11, 1850. March 8, 1860, he was ordained at Hebron, Me. He was a faithful servant of the Lord. He left a wife and five children.

Libby, Rev. Isaac, was born in Buxton, Me., Feb. 22, 1809, and was the youngest child of Isaac and Abigail Libby. He was converted in June, 1829, and baptized by Rev. A. Hobson Feb.

22, 1830, joining the church in his native place. In the winter of 1835 he entered Parsonfield Seminary, where he spent two years, and afterwards engaged in teaching. He was licensed by the Gorham Q. M. in the fall of 1836. His health soon became impaired, and he ever afterwards labored with a feeble body. In April, 1837, he went to Lewiston. June 4 he married Miriam M. Usher, of Buxton. Nov. 15, 1837, he was ordained by a council from the Gorham Q. M. In April, 1838, in connection with Rev. G. Perkins, meetings were held in which 100 were converted, and the First Lewiston church organized, with which Brother Libby had a three years' pastorate. In November, 1840, Mrs. Libby died. He went for a year to Brunswick, Me., and a year to the Cape Elizabeth church, during which he helped organize the Portland church. In July, 1843, he resumed his pastorate at Lewiston for two years. In May, 1846, he settled for a year at Farmington Hill, Me. He afterwards preached in Portland, Buxton, Greene and Hebron. Sept. 4, 1848, he married as his third wife Mrs. Hannah J. Allen, of Raymond, who survived him with four of his children. He was in sympathy with all denominational improvements. He died at peace, Oct. 18, 1866.

Libby, Rev. James, was born in what is now Auburn, Me., in 1796, and died in West Poland, March 6, 1884. He became a Christian at the age of twenty, was baptized by Elder Leach and joined the church in this vicinity. At the age of twenty-three he married Miss Nancy Fulton, of Lisbon, by whom he was greatly helped in his work until her death Jan. 14, 1872. In 1828, after serious conviction, he consecrated himself to the ministry, and was ordained at Danville by Rev's Z. Jordan, J. White and J. Clay. In 1832 he moved to West Poland, and for thirty-three years was pastor of that church. Early in his pastorate a meeting-house was erected. There were several extensive revivals with large additions to the church. The Second Poland church grew out of this church. In the course of his ministry of more than sixty years he baptized about

one thousand converts, married several hundred couples and attended the funerals of 1500 persons. His valuable labors were frequently sought by various pastors in protracted meetings.

Libby, Rev. Thomas, was ordained in 1828, and labored in Maine.

Liberal Baptists advocate both a general atonement, and open communion. In Great Britain the 295,000 Baptists are nearly all open communionists. (See *English Baptists*.) The Liberal Baptists of the United States and Provinces, through delegates, held a two days' conference at Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 2-3, 1883. Six denominations were represented: Free Baptists, Church of God, General Baptists, Separate Baptists, Free Baptists of Nova Scotia, and Free Christian Baptists of New Brunswick. Addresses were delivered, and a declaration of principles was adopted, in which they set forth that, "The several associations of churches of Jesus Christ in America which hold evangelical faith, practice believer's baptism, and exclude no recognized Christian from the Lord's Table, are one." They recommended the publication of a LIBERAL BAPTIST YEAR BOOK, union in foreign missions, and mutual patronage of each other's literature. They recommended, "That the transit of ministers, or members, from one body to another, be regarded as simply a change from one section of the same society to another, and not an actual change of denominational relations." A committee of seven was appointed to provide for a future convention. The convention committee published in 1884 a LIBERAL BAPTIST YEAR BOOK, from which the following statistics are taken:

	Churches.	Ministers.	Members.
Free Baptists* . . . . .	2,722	2,448	96,714
Free C. Baptists of New Brunswick . . . . .	144	44	10,777
United Baptists . . . . .	18	18	1,400
General Baptists . . . . .	292	179	13,225
Separate Baptists . . . . .	47	47	6,329
Church of God† . . . . .	646	329	40,000
	3,869	3,057	168,445

\*Including Freewill Baptists General Conference, Southern Baptist Association, Original Freewill Baptist General Conference of North Carolina, and the Conference of Nova Scotia.

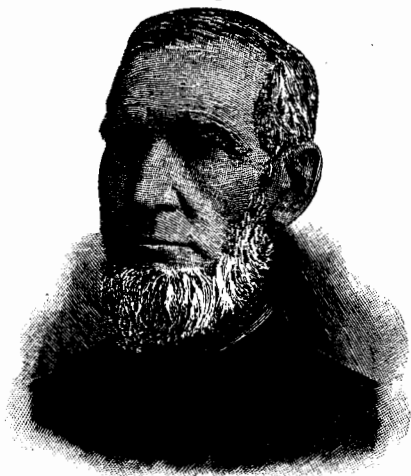
†Estimated.

Lick, Rev. A. S., son of M. T. and Rebecca (Brown) Lick, was born in Illinois in 1853, and married Carrie Underwood in 1881. He consecrated himself to God in 1870 and was ordained by Rev. J. Case and others in 1885. He is engaged in pastoral and evangelistic work in the Big Creek Q. M., Mo. He has served as school teacher and as Q. M. clerk.

Lighthall, Rev. William A., was born in the town of Fort Ann, N. Y., Aug. 22, 1813. In May, 1832, he removed to Weathersfield, and in September became totally blind. But this providence brought to him spiritual light. He was baptized in 1835 and licensed to preach in October, 1837. Immediately he commenced to preach at Middlebury, and in four years the church increased greatly in strength and numbers. At Attica he labored with good success three years. Having thus given proof of his call to the ministry, he was ordained at Varysburgh in May, 1845. His subsequent labors were with the churches in Weathersfield, Hamburg, Cowlesville, Ellington, Chautauqua, and Pomfret, besides considerable itinerant preaching. His mind was vigorous and clear, his memory, quickened by loss of sight, was remarkably retentive, and his powers were devoted fully to his work. He was married twice, and to these pious and affectionate wives, the church is indebted for much of the good accomplished through him. After much suffering, his rest came July 8, 1865.

Limbocker, Rev. Henry S., son of John and Lovina (Hern) Limbocker, was born in Orange County, N. Y., March 13, 1807. He began preaching in January, 1829, and received license the following summer. April 11, 1830, he married Florilla Spalding, who was a most faithful co-worker. Of their five children now living, one son is a minister and the other a farmer and real estate dealer. Under the impression of a divine call he went from Parma, N. Y., to Michigan, walking from Detroit thirty miles into the country to a place where, though settled some years, no religious services had been held. He began work there in October, 1830. The following

February, he visited New York, was ordained by a council of the Betheny Q. M., and returning organized the Ypsilanti church with twenty-five members. He continued the work in Michigan twenty-four years, and was more than any other, the father of our interests there. In one year he traveled 2,900 miles (all on foot except 125), preached 300 sermons, attended sixty other meetings and did fully half a man's work in support of his family. After an absence in New York of fourteen years, ten of which were spent with the Fair-



Rev. H. S. Limbocker.

port and Walworth churches, he labored six years more in Michigan, when failing health caused him to remove to Kansas, where he and his wife now reside. About one thousand six hundred persons were hopefully converted under his labors, a thousand of whom he baptized, and some twelve churches were organized through his instrumentality. In 1839 he attended the General Conference at Conneaut, O., representing, very appropriately, the Michigan Y. M., which was received at that session. In all places he has enjoyed the confidence and esteem of the churches.

Lincoln, Dea. Stephen T., was born in Wrentham, Mass., in September, 1819. He learned his trade when thirty years of age, and went into business (Elec-

tro-plating) for himself in Providence, R. I., in 1860. Here he became connected with the Park Street church and was made deacon and treasurer in 1873, which positions he still holds. To his generosity, attention and wise counsel the success of this church is largely due. In 1840 he was married to Miss Elizabeth P. Ring, a helper indeed, and has four children.

**Linderman, Rev. George P.**, son of Jacob and Dezhiah (Conrad) Linderman, was born in Cattaraugus County, N. Y., July 9, 1838. From childhood he was religiously inclined, and, in 1858, he publicly confessed the Saviour, in Illi-



Rev. G. P. Linderman.

nois, and was baptized by Rev. D. Champlin. He received license to preach in 1859, served three years in the war of the Rebellion, entered Hillsdale College in 1866, and, while yet in school, received ordination April 21, 1867. In 1869 he entered upon the work of a pastor. He ministered to the Rome and Cambridge churches (Mich.) four years, to the church at Paw Paw, Mich., five years, at Grand Ledge, Mich., two years, at Phoenix, N. Y., four years, and at Jackson, Pa., three years. In all these places his labors have been blessed. He has baptized 545 persons, and assisted in organizing six churches.

He was married, April 11, 1860, to Ellen H. Dow, who cheered his home and aided him efficiently in his work for twenty-five years, and was called to rest June 16, 1885. He was married again, July 8, 1886, to Miss Carrie Huntley, of New York.

**Linville, Rev. A. J.**, son of Logan and Nancy (Estep) Linville, was born in Kanawha County, W. Va., Dec. 20, 1843. He served as a Federal soldier during the Rebellion, and married Nancy Stowers in 1865. They have eight children, the oldest being now a teacher. He was ordained among the Free Salvation Baptists in 1875, and became a Free Baptist minister in 1885. Since then he has ministered to churches of the First Kanawha Q. M. and engaged in revival work, in which he has been successful.

**Litchfield, Rev. Ames**, died at Lewiston, Me., Aug. 18, 1835, aged 28 years. Converted at the age of nineteen, he united July 29, 1826, with the Second Free Baptist church in Lewiston. He was licensed by the Bowdoin Q. M. in January, 1831, and ordained in October, 1832. He traveled considerably in eastern and northern Maine and New Brunswick, and was successful in winning many souls to Jesus.

**Little Star, The**, was first published Jan. 11, 1873, with Rev. G. T. Day as editor. After one year Mrs. F. S. Mosher became the editor. She resigned in 1881. The paper was published every two weeks, and alternated with the *Myrtle*. At first it had a subscription list of 13,000. Miss Sarah A. Perkins succeeded to the editorship, and in 1888 the paper became the organ of the A. C. F. Jan. 1, 1889, it was supplanted by *Our Dayspring*, and was consequently discontinued.

**Littlefield, Rev. Ezekiel R.**, son of Thomas and Mary (Rose) Littlefield, was born on Block Island, R. I., in 1815. His mother was the daughter of Rev. Enoch Rose, who was a devoted and acceptable Free Baptist minister ordained in 1817. Converted in 1830, he was licensed in 1843, and ordained in 1845 by Rev's J. A. McKenzie, Silas Hall, Calvinistic Baptist, and John Tillinghast - Six Principle Baptist. Soon after

his ordination he lost nearly all of his left hand by the explosion of blasting powder, so that he has baptized but two, though extensive revivals have visited the Second New Shoreham church, to which he ministered for twenty years. He has since supplied somewhat. In 1835 he married Lucretia, daughter of Capt. Robert C. Dodge, who gave promise of being an able minister of the gospel, but died in the prime of life. He has one child.

Littlefield, Rev. William H., son of Theodore and Martha (Hobbs) Littlefield, was born at Wells, Me., in 1818. He studied at the Biblical School at Parsonfield. He was converted in 1834, and received his license about 1840. He was ordained in 1844, by the Rev's S. Curtis, Eli Noyes, J. B. Davis, and J. M. Durgin. He has held pastorates at South Boston and Lynn, Mass., Lebanon, Rockport, Dover and Vinal Haven, Me. He has served on several of the denominational boards. In 1858 he was president of the Anti-Slavery Society. He married Mary Stevens in 1844, and has six children living. His son Charles E. was speaker of the Maine Legislature.

Lock, Rev. Edward, with Samuel Weeks were both licensed preachers of the Lower Gilmanton church when Benjamin Randall was summoned there in June, 1779, before the Calvinistic Baptists for heresy. He was born in Rye, N. H., in 1742, and moved to Gilmanton in the early settlement of that town. Uniting with the Baptist church there in 1775, he was licensed to preach two years after, and soon gathered a church in the adjoining towns of Loudon and Canterbury. He was never a Calvinist, nor was the church to which he preached. In December, 1779, he, with others, expressed his dissent from the Articles of Faith, and asked for dismissal. A council of three churches responded Feb. 16, 1780, to consider his request and to act on a proposition from the Canterbury church for his ordination. His ordination was refused, and fellowship was withdrawn, with the declaration, "Edward Lock has departed from the true faith, and ought to confess his error and return." Tosier Lord, who was on the

council, declared, "I am of the same belief as Brother Lock." Soon after, Edward Lock received ordination from the hands of Lord and a lay brother, and became pastor of the church at Canterbury. He was present during the week of consecration in March with Lord and Shepherd, in which they gave themselves up to prayer and fasting in a vacant house in Loudon, and drafted a plan for a denominational church polity. Lock was ordained there as teaching elder. The first week in April Lock gave the hand of fellowship to Randall at his ordination.

After two years of earnest service, in which he was a zealous and efficient advocate of free grace in the Loudon and Canterbury church, he began to indulge in vain and fanatical notions and methods of worship, in which some of his members shared. Randall and Deacon Boody, from the invitation of some substantial members, visited the church, bearing with them a sympathizing letter, dated July 10, 1782. But little could be done to arrest the infection. Lock sent two members into Connecticut, who returned bringing back the Shaker influence in the person of Ebenezer Cooley, of New York. Soon the Shaker tide swept away the entire church, and for years beat against the Free Baptist interests. Lock himself became an earnest advocate of the fantastic faith. For ten years his life was worse than useless to the cause of Christ.

But in 1792, losing his interest in that delusion, he moved to Maine, settling at Chesterville, where he became an extensive landholder. In September he attended the Y. M. at Westport, and deep and affecting was his penitence. He was soon reinstated, and traveled with Randall and Deacon Otis throughout that region, restoring order, and greatly aiding in securing spiritual quickening and awakening. He soon after baptized several at Farnington, and March 29, 1793, twelve there united in a church under his pastoral care. Francis Tufts and John F. Woods were appointed as ruling elders, and were soon after ordained. These three men were founders of Free Baptist churches in the Sandy river valley. Lock was the only ordained

minister in the Farmington Q. M., and from a beginning thus small did it continue to prosper till not less than sixty churches have, at one time or another, been connected with it. In 1796 they appointed him to travel among the churches, preach the word, and administer the ordinances to each place once in three months or oftener.

He still continued in the usages of the Calvinists concerning close communion and refusal to grant letters to members joining other denominations. These doctrines he taught with unwielding persistence throughout the Q. M. The Y. M. instructed Stinchfield to write the body, "If the member's moral conduct is good, we ought to grant liberty of conscience." A majority of the Farmington Q. M. were firm adherents to open communion. Now came a contest concerning the dismissal of members. It was "long and tedious." Finally, the yeas and nays being taken, the affirmative, headed by Rev. Francis Tufts, numbered fifteen, and the negative, headed by Lock, numbered seven.

In 1800, Parsonfield consented to have the February session of the Y. M. held at Anson. Here they were met by the last great disturbance from Lock. He had matured "a plan for forming a community of Christians who were to have all things common; their property was to be put into one common stock, with himself to control, if not to possess, the whole." Obligations to this effect had been signed by several, also articles of faith, "contrary to the order of the Y. M." A committee of seven, with Rev. Joseph Hutchinson as chairman, labored faithfully with Lock, but to no purpose. He stood in suspension a half dozen years, and was afterwards disfellowshipped. By his last plan he had lost the confidence of his brethren. He lived on for another quarter of a century, amassing considerable property. Finally, in his last days, he seemed to turn tenderly to the people with whom he had labored so long. He spent his last years at Belgrade. He died in 1824, aged over 80 years. In the settlement of his estate he gave "an excellent farm in the town of Jay" to the Rev's John Foster, Ebenezer Scales, and his son, Ward Lock.

He possessed more than ordinary ability, and was especially zealous in whatever he undertook.

Lock, Rev. Ward, the son of Rev. Edward Lock, was born in Gilmanton, N. H., in 1784. Of his early life we know but little. When his father moved to Belgrade, Me., young Lock probably accompanied him. Ward Lock was ordained to the ministry in 1813. In 1818 we find him dwelling at Cherterville, and associated with most consecrated men in the great revivals that prevailed all through the country. He was apt with his pen, and reported the work with which he was connected to our religious press. Under May 14, 1818, he writes to the *Christian Herald*: "The Lord has wrought wonders in these regions. We met last Sabbath in Mount Vernon; two sermons were preached and thirty were baptized, and fifteen have been baptized since." At the death of his father, in 1824, an ample estate fell to him. He preached the ordination sermon when Elias Hutchins was ordained. In November, 1825, he writes: "I have lately visited the people of Lewiston, Me., where a glorious work of the Lord has lately commenced. Elder S. Roberts baptized fifteen on the first Sabbath in this month. The meetings were crowded and powerful. After I had preached a short sermon one evening, thirty-three came forward and spoke of the dealings of God with them, and at the close about twenty requested prayers. The good work is spreading to Greene. May 13, 1826, he writes to the *Morning Star*: "Several churches have been gathered in New Brunswick whose views are similar to ours; they wish to become acquainted with the Free Baptists of Maine."

Thus he had great interest in the prosperity of the denomination. Revivals often attended his labors, but usually he was doctrinal in his preaching and of excellent counsel. He wasted away with consumption, having lost his voice long before his decease. A month before he died he performed the fatiguing journey of over a hundred miles to be present at the second General Conference which met at Sandwich, N. H., Oct. 9,

1828. His *whispered* counsel and written reports were then received as from one on the verge of the spirit land. October 19, he attended the Farmington Q. M. at Temple. From this time he sank rapidly. He filled his remaining days with prayers and bright words of encouragement to his family and friends, and died sweetly trusting in Jesus, November 25, aged 44 years. Elder Samuel Hutchins preached the funeral sermon from the text: "I have fought a good fight."

Locke, Rev. J. Frank, was born at Ossipee, N. H., April 27, 1846. His parents were James and Mary (Townsend) Locke. He was converted in 1854, served several years in the army, studied at New Hampton and was ordained at S. Berwick, Me., June 15, 1870. His pastorates were Wolfboro', N. H., S. Berwick, Me., Amesbury, Mass., and Laconia, N. H. In 1879, after a long period of illness, he settled in Burnhamville, Todd County, Minn., where he was elected justice of the peace and town treasurer thirteen days after his arrival, and has continued to hold many prominent positions. He has devoted himself somewhat to home mission work, and aided in establishing the *Free Baptist*. Sept. 8, 1870, he was married to Miss Etta Remick, of Wolfboro', N. H. They had two daughters. Mrs. Locke died Jan. 26, 1873. In 1878 he was married to Miss Annah S. Pease, of West Buxton, Me.

Lockhart, Rev. Hibbert, son of Jacob E. and Hannah (Pineo), was born in Cornwallis, N. S., Sept. 24, 1848. He graduated from Bates Theological School in 1878. Converted in early life, and licensed in 1872, he was ordained July 2, 1878. His pastorates have been at North Danville, Vt., two years, St. Johnsbury two years and Worcester, Mass., about four years. He settled at Brockton in 1887, and took the Abington interest in addition in 1888. He was clerk and treasurer of the Wheelock Q. M. two years, and has been, since 1883, clerk and treasurer of the Massachusetts Association. He was superintendent of schools at Danville, Vt., one year. Sept. 22, 1871, he mar-

ried Miss Arabella Ross, and has four children.

Loomis, Rev. A. B., son of Joel and Fanny A. (Maber) Loomis, was born at Lexington, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1837. He consecrated his life to God in 1858, received license in 1871 and ordination in 1872. He has ministered to the church at Redfield five years, at Spragueville two years, at Willet four years, and at Oxford three years; and in the first three pastorates enjoyed revivals, baptizing about one hundred. He served as delegate to the General Conference of 1883. In November, 1869, he was married to Celia A. Balcom.

Loomis, Rev. Amaziah, died at his residence near Riceville, Ia., April 30, 1873, aged 72 years. He was licensed by the Catlin church, August 21, 1830, and ordained by the Chemung Q. M. (N. Y.), Sept. 7, 1834, continuing his labors with this and adjoining Q. M.'s until 1855, when he removed to Iowa. Here he was a pioneer preacher, and devoted himself to the work with great perseverance. The people listened to him with grateful attention.

Loosee, Rev. Arad, of Sherman, N. Y., son of John and Lucy (Ellis) Loosee, was born in Corinth, Saratoga County, N. Y., Jan. 11, 1821. He was brought into the Lord's service in 1834, studied at Edon Academy, Erie County, and began to preach in 1849. He was ordained in June, 1853, by a council from the French Creek Q. M., Rev. B. McKoon preaching the sermon. His ministry was in western New York and Pennsylvania, his pastorates being Lake Pleasant, Waterford, Rockdale, Salem, Greenwood, Spring Creek, Bloomfield, Greenfield and Northeast, Pa., and Charlotte, Sherman, Collins, South Harmony, and Clymer and Harmony, N. Y., frequently having the care of two churches at a time. He has baptized about four hundred converts, and served the Y. M. as delegate to the General Conference.

Longley, Rev. James P., was born in Norridgewock, Me. Feb. 19, 1810. His parents were John and Judith (Searle) Longley. He became a Christian at the age of sixteen. At thirty



years of age he received license to preach, and the following year in May was ordained. The first thirty years of his ministry were spent in revival work. He was assisted in the organization of more than a dozen churches and helped ordain as many ministers. He has baptized a thousand converts, has "baptized in every month in the year and never knew one candidate to take cold or receive the least harm." In his youth he listened to the preaching of "Stinchfield, Buzzell, White, Phinney, Marks and Elias Hutchins. He imbibed their spirit, copied their example, and never wrote a sermon, nor candidated, nor lacked a place to preach or ears to hear." He married, in October, 1834, Miss Mary Ann Dudley. They have had eleven children, all of whom were converted. Only four are living. He now resides at Madison Bridge, Me., at the advanced age of seventy-seven (1887), and preaches to the New Vineyard and Pleasant Ridge churches.

Lord, Rev. Daniel, was born in Berwick, Me., in 1748. June 11, 1793, while living at Kittery, he was ordained at New Durham by Randall, Tingley, Weeks, Whitney and Buzzell at a session of the Y. M. Though nearly blind he had already been preaching for ten years, his wife reading for him hymns and Scripture. He had good ability and marked piety. In 1795 he was appointed by the Y. M. to visit the church at Strafford, Vt. He was one of the council who ordained Jeremiah Ballard, July 2, 1798. In 1800 the New Durham Q. M. raised \$100 by assessment on the churches, with which a horse was bought for Benj. Randall and one was hired for Daniel Lord to be used in their service among the churches. After twenty years of active labors in New Hampshire, having become almost totally blind, he went to live with his son in Covington, Genesee County, N. Y., where he died Aug. 27, 1825, aged 76 years.

Lord, Rev. David H., son of Thomas H. and Louisa (Avery) Lord, was born in Rumney, N. H., Aug. 9, 1814. He consecrated his life to God in August,

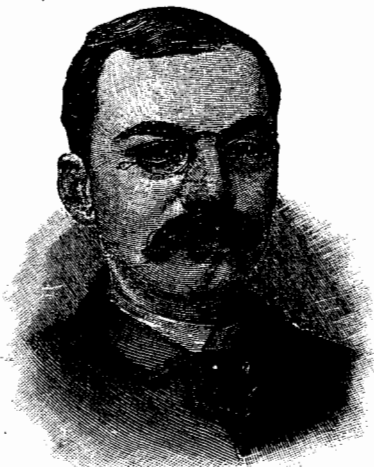
1832, and soon began to preach, studying at Parsonfield Seminary in 1835 and 1836, and receiving ordination Sept. 28 of the latter year at the hands of Rev. J. Woodman, J. L. Sinclair and others. He ministered successively to the churches at Portsmouth, N. H., Springvale, East Lebanon, Doughty's Falls and Limerick, Me., Newport and Pascoag, R. I., Medina, O., and Howard City, Mich. In these fields as well as also in revival work in other places he enjoyed the Lord's blessing. He has baptized five hundred and five converts. His voice having failed, he studied medicine at Brunswick, Me., and at the Vermont Medical College, graduating in 1849. He was married in September, 1838, to Elmira Clark, of Dover N. H., who died seven years later, and in November, 1848, to Annette M. Merrill, of Parsonfield, Me. After a brief illness at Hillsdale, Mich., he died June 19, 1889. By his active and benevolent life he exerted a wide influence for God.

Lord, Rev. Gershom, brother of Rev's Tosier and Daniel, was ordained along with John Blaisdell by a council from the New Durham Q. M. convened with the Lebanon church, Me., Nov. 21, 1799. "He appeared to be a serious young man; he had an extraordinary gift in speaking, and was much admired by many." But a lawsuit between him and the clergyman of the place having been decided against him, he soon moved to eastern Maine.

Lord, Rev. John F., son of James F. and Sarah B. (Stevens) Lord, was born in Limington, Me., Aug. 20, 1839. He was converted at the age of eighteen. He was a student in Limerick Academy and fitted himself for teaching, in which he has been much engaged. He was a soldier in 1864, and lost an eye in the "Battle of the Wilderness." His license was granted in November, 1875, and June 26, 1878, he was ordained by ministers of the York County Q. M. He has preached in Limington, Shapleigh (Ross' Corners), and other places, and now (1887) is pastor at Lyman. He was married Jan. 2, 1864, to Miss Mary S. Mills, and has three children living.

Lord, Rev. Rivington D., son of Rev. D. H. Lord, was born at Hillsdale, Mich., Aug. 13, 1858. He graduated at Hillsdale College and Union Theological Seminary, N. Y., taking a post-graduate course of one year, 1883-84, at the latter institution. He was converted in 1870 and ordained in 1880. In 1884 he accepted the pastorate of the South Baptist (formerly Lee Avenue) church of

was converted when sixteen years of age, uniting with a church in Parsonfield, which is one of a number of churches known as the "Bullockites." They withdrew from the denomination about 1835, because of their opposition to education for the ministry and other denominational enterprises. Mr. Lord felt called to preach, but he had an earnest desire for culture, and devoted all his spare time in that direction. This aroused opposition and caused them to throw obstacles in his way. His family encouraged him and he persevered. He taught school and applied himself to study. Finding that he must seek a home elsewhere if he ever succeeded, he asked for a letter. They admonished him for his departure from their faith and refused his request. In 1873 he was cordially welcomed to the denomination, and ordained December 18. In March, 1874, he was married and became pastor at North Shapleigh. He labored one year there with very good results, when he was called to North Lebanon, where he was cut off from fruitful work by death.



Rev. R. D. Lord.

Brooklyn N. Y., on condition that it should become connected with the Free Baptists, it being then open communion in practice. His pastorate with this church (now called the Hooper Street Free Baptist), has been pleasant and prosperous, many being added to the church, and its prospects of usefulness increased.

Lord, Rev. Samuel, was born in Barnstead, N. H., in 1780. He experienced religion when but ten years of age and entered the ministry in his nineteenth year. He was ordained in Maine in 1801. The same year he removed to Vermont and was among the earliest founders of the denomination in that state. He was useful in the organization of churches and the saving of souls. He died at Waterbury, Vt., Dec. 28, 1849.

Lord, Rev. Samuel, died in North Lebanon, Me., July 6, 1877. He was born in Limerick, Me., Feb. 3, 1850, and

Lord, Rev. Tosier, never formally joined the Freewill Baptist denomination, but he was so intimately connected with the fathers that his sketch belongs with theirs. He was born in Berwick, Me., in 1744, and experiencing religion in 1773, in July united with the Baptist church in Sanford. In December following he was licensed to preach, and the next year, at his suggestion, a church was organized at Lebanon, where he was ordained in October, 1776, by Dr. Samuel Shepherd and others. In the autumn of 1779, he took the pastoral charge of the Free church in Barrington (now Strafford), N. H., where the people provided him with perhaps the first parsonage voluntarily given in the state. A revival soon occurred under his labors at what is now Acton, Me., and here he made his home, though he preached occasionally with the Strafford church for some years. He was Randall's pastor at the time of his ordination and both preached the sermon and gave the charge. "He was not a learned man," says one who sat under his ministry for ten years, "but one of the most powerful preachers I ever

heard." He had no sympathy with Calvinistic election, nor with close communion. When Edward Lock was disfellowshipped, Tosier Lord was on the council; he remarked, "If you withdraw fellowship from Mr. Lock, you do also from me, for I am of the same belief." After living ten years in Acton and about as long in Albany, N. H., he removed to Athens, Me., in 1800, and continued to preach the free gospel he loved till, disabled by infirmities, about two years before his death, which occurred in March, 1830, at the age of 86.

Loring, Rev. Horatio N., was ordained in Rhode Island in 1825. In 1828, while laboring at Middleborough, Mass., sixty were converted and a church organized. He was one of the four young men, under thirty years of age, who sat in the first General Conference. With Zalmon Tobey he visited the Vermont Y. M. at that time. But both had come to us from the Calvinistic Baptists, and afterwards returned to that body. He was delegate to the fourth General Conference in 1830, and secretary of the sixth General Conference at Meredith, N. H., in 1832.

Lothrop, Rev. Nathan C., son of Solomon and Fanny (Chase) Lothrop, was born in Norton, Mass., June 19, 1839. He was converted at the age of seventeen, under the labors of Rev. S. D. Church, in Taunton, Mass., and two years after was baptized and united with the church at Taunton. He graduated from the New Hampton Institution in 1861, and from the Theological School in 1864. In September following he was ordained at South Berwick, Me., where he was pastor eighteen months. He was pastor at Milton, N. H., two years, Pelham over two years, of the Second Strafford church three years, of Candia Village church four years, where he baptized thirty-six and added fifty to the church. During the next four years he was at Bristol, where he baptized thirteen and twenty-six were added to the church. He then settled in Deerfield for nearly five years, and baptized thirty-seven, receiving forty-two into the church. In all, he has baptized 101 converts. He is now settled at West Leba-

non, Me. (1887). He was married Nov. 16, 1865, to Miss Sarah J. Lovejoy, of Laconia, N. H., and has a son and daughter.

Louisiana. The Freewill Baptist doctrines were first introduced into New Orleans in 1862, by Rev. D. P. Cilley, who was chaplain of one of the regiments stationed at that place. While there he became acquainted with Elder Charles Ready (colored), who had formerly belonged to the Methodists, but at this time was a member of the Close Communion Baptists, although ill at ease there, as their doctrines did not harmonize with his understanding of the Bible. When Brother Cilley explained to him and his nephew, Mr. J. Blackstone, our doctrines, they accepted them as the true teachings of the word of God. Soon after this Mr. Blackstone was converted, and on Elder Manning's first visit to the city, was ordained by him, and he has become one of the strong pillars in the church. Brother Ready possessed large native talent, and his earnest eloquence and zeal, accompanied by his strong faith and will, made him a power that was hard to resist. On the 9th day of January, 1877, he died full of years and good works. He had gathered a large church at Angola, West Feliciana County, a second one at Gretna across the Mississippi river from New Orleans, and a third one at Algiers. At the time of his death, the membership of his churches was some five hundred. Rev. Isaac Williams now became the leader among these churches, and the good work continued to spread among the freedmen. About this time a man by the name of Healy came to New Orleans in the employ of the American Home Mission Society, and by promises of large salaries, fine churches, good clothes, and by telling the colored people that the Free Baptists were a poor, feeble denomination and could never do anything for them, succeeded in carrying over to the Congregationalists about half of the first mission church, both of the churches which were over the river, and went up to Angola to see what he could do there; but Jerry Blackstone prevented him from accomplishing his purpose. In 1871, General Howard's brother,

corresponding secretary of the American Home Mission Society, went to New Orleans and found these churches. Rev's Guy Watson, J. Blackstone, and E. Burden still maintained the mother church in the city, and Elders Dent and Hill defended the faith once delivered to them by Chaplain Chillee, at Angola. The General wrote to our corresponding secretary, Rev. A. H. Chase, "There are some colored people in New Orleans who will not be anything but Free Baptists, and they ought to be looked after." In January, 1873, Brothers Manning and Chase went to New Orleans, and found the first church worshipping in the old slave pen on Charter Street, E. Burden, pastor. J. Blackstone had a small church to which he was preaching, and James Smith had assumed the leadership and gathered all the churches into one Q. M., which extended from Angola to New Orleans, and met quarterly, continuing its session one week. The meetings were governed by the constitution and by-laws of the Free Baptist General Conference; but the week would generally pass and nothing be accomplished. He tried to have the churches take the name of African Free-will Baptists of America. While there our missionaries organized two churches, reorganized two others, and organized a Q. M. in the city. The first of February they went up the Mississippi river to Angola Landing, and in that neighborhood organized three churches, reorganized two and formed them into the Angola Q. M.

THE NEW ORLEANS Q. M., formed as stated above, in 1873 reported four churches. These, in 1875, had a total membership of 116. Earnest work has continued amid successes and discouragements. Now (1888), there are eleven churches: the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth (Morning Star), Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Eleventh New Orleans churches, and the Annette, and St. Bernard churches. The total membership is 218. J. Blackstone, Guy Watson, C. Brones, J. B. Dorsey, H. Simms, J. Armstrong, F. Blackwell, E. B. Freeman, and S. Ognim are pastors.

THE ANGOLA Q. M., located up the Mississippi in Point Coupe and West

Feliciana Counties, was organized, as stated above, in 1873. It had seven churches and 126 members. After the changes of years, there is a total membership of 207, in the Angola, Hayes Chapel, De Soto, Lochloma, Mount Olive, Morning Star, St. Paul, St. James, St. Mary, St. Matthew, and Sunflower churches. The pastors are: J. L. D. Coleman, B. Allen, R. Jones, H. Dent, J. Toles, B. W. Holston, A. Ward, L. Jackson, and N. M. Masby.

THE BATON ROUGE Q. M., known at first as the EAST BATON ROUGE Q. M., and located in the vicinity of Baton Rouge, was also organized in 1873, when it reported ten churches and 344 members. It now reports the Bethlehem, Mount Zion, Ebenezer, Good Hope, Nazareth, Pilgrim's Rest, St. Paul, and St. Luke churches, with a total membership of 216. The pastors are: H. Green, E. E. Griffin, A. Donaldson, J. Hambleton, and H. Simons.

THE LOUISIANA Y. M. was formed in 1873, the bodies mentioned above being brought together in it under the guiding hand of Brother Manning. To his care and to the devoted loyalty of the local workers the prosperity to the present, in spite of adverse influences, is largely due.

THE AMITE COUNTY Q. M. is connected with the Mississippi Y. M. See *Mississippi*.

Loveless, Rev. John, died at Johnsburgh, N. Y., Aug. 22, 1871, aged 61 years. He was born in Poultney, Vt., and when seventeen years of age united with the Free Communion Baptists in Hadley, N. Y. The following year he began to preach and, being ordained in 1842, continued his labor at Hadley with unremitting ardor. He also labored in Poestenkill, N. Y., and six years in the Monroe Q. M., returning to his former home for the closing years of service. He was an amiable, modest pastor, faithful in precept and example, and his ministry was crowned with success.

Lovejoy, Rev. Azael, son of Azael and Mercy (Wing) Lovejoy, was born in Livermore, Me., May 2, 1820. He studied at East Hebron Academy, North Parsonfield Seminary and at the Bangor Theological Seminary. Converted in

1837, he was licensed in 1853, and ordained in 1854 by Rev's G. W. Bean, J. Mariner, and Samuel Small. He has been pastor of churches in Unity, East Corinth, and South Berwick, Me., and in Great Falls, and East Rochester, N. H. In 1874, he entered upon his pastorate at Pascoag, R. I. He has enjoyed many revivals, has assisted in organizing churches, and has baptized over three



Rev. A. Lovejoy.

hundred persons. He has been a trustee of Bates College fifteen years, and about sixteen years a member of the Foreign Mission Board. He married Nov. 2, 1845, Zintha S. Woodworth, and has five children; one the wife of Rev. Joseph A. Chase, and another, Edward F., an attorney-at-law.

**Lowden, Rev. George E.**, brother of Rev. J. M. Lowden, was born at Cornwallis, Nova Scotia, March 9, 1854, and died at Mechanic's Falls, Me., Feb. 17, 1886. At the age of thirteen his sainted mother died, and the family of children were separated. Three years later, in 1873, he entered Nichols Latin School at Lewiston, Me.; and soon after was converted, and early in 1874 was baptized by Rev. W. H. Bowen, uniting with the Main Street church. He studied a year with Rev. John Bulfinch at Freeport, where his brother was supplying.

His health giving way, after seven months he resumed study at Dalhousie College, Halifax, under Professor De Mill, where he enjoyed superior advantages in rhetoric and history. He entered Bates College in the fall of 1877, and after graduating, supplied Greenwich Street church, Providence, R. I., during a summer vacation. He then entered Bates Theological School. In 1883, at the end of two years of his course, he accepted a call from the church in Houlton, Me. He married May 24, 1883, Miss Adelaide E. Archibald, of Mechanic's Falls, and was ordained at Richmond in June. His work at Houlton was greatly prospered, but he could not endure the climate and resigned in August, 1884. In the autumn he received a call to a large parish in Philadelphia, Pa. He ventured to undertake the work as an experiment. Increased interest was manifest at once and conversions followed, but he was soon prostrated with a severe cold and was compelled to give up the pastorate. He visited his old home in Nova Scotia without benefit, and died at the home of his wife at Mechanic's Falls, after having in December buried his only child. He was buried at Lewiston, Me. He left a wide circle of friends, whom he had won and held by his brilliant talent and by a warm heart.

**Lowden, Harry C.**, brother of Rev. J. M. Lowden, was born in Centreville, Nova Scotia, Sept. 5, 1861. He graduated from Nichols Latin School in 1882, from Bates College in 1886 and from Cobb Divinity School in 1889. He was converted in 1880, was licensed in 1887, and has supplied the church at East Livermore, where twelve have been baptized by his brother and sixteen added to the church.

**Lowden, Rev. John M.**, son of Joseph and Olive (McKenzie) Lowden, was born at Cornwallis, N. S., Dec. 12, 1846. After studying in his native place, he entered Bates Theological School, and graduated in 1875. Converted in September, 1866, he was licensed in 1871, and ordained in 1875 by the Y. M. at Caledonia, N. S., the Rev. William Downey preaching the sermon. He held a pastorate of nearly

four years with the church at Halifax, N. S. In 1880 he became pastor of the church in Portland, Me. During his pastorate the church has moved from Casco Street to a fine location on Congress Street, where a valuable house of worship has been purchased and the congregation greatly increased. The Sunday-school at present numbers 400 persons. June 9, 1885, he married Miss Lillian A. Eaton, a valuable helpmeet to him in his work.

**Lowe, Rev. David P.**, was born in Winchester, Va., in 1796. He was ordained in Pennsylvania in 1829. He labored for a time in that state and Indiana. In October, 1843, he had organized the Badfish church, which then united with the Honey Creek, Wis., Y. M., and he continued his ministry in the West.

**Lowell, Rev. John A.**, was born in Buckfield, Me., Jan. 13, 1823. His parents were Mark and Lydia (Atkinson) Lowell, of Minot, Me. In common

1844, and another in the spring following at Woodstock, Vt. In the autumn of 1838 he became a Christian, was baptized the following January by Rev. Austin Wheeler, and united with the church in Hebron, Me. At different times the work of the ministry was suggested to his mind, and at length he was convinced that he was called to that work. He abandoned his medical studies, spent several terms in Hebron Academy, and then entered Colby University, from which he graduated in 1853. In the autumn he taught the High School at East New Portland. He was married in November, to Miss Julia A. Chase, daughter of Rev. Rufus Chase, of Bluehill, Me. The following winter he became preceptor of Parsonfield Seminary, and continued till 1857. The four years following he taught in the Maine State Seminary, Lewiston, afterwards Bates College.

In October, 1860, he began to preach for the Main Street church, Lewiston. He received license in December, and was ordained by the Bowdoin Q. M., in March, 1861. Rev's O. B. Cheney, J. Raymond and others were the council. He was pastor of the Main Street church nearly eight years, and was greatly prospered in his work. From the beginning of 1869, he was pastor at New Market, N. H., eighteen months, and at Lawrence, Mass., eighteen months. After one year in Andover Theological Seminary, he settled at Danville, N. H., June 1, 1873, and has remained there fourteen years (1887). He has baptized in all between two hundred and three hundred converts. He is a member of the board of trustees of Bates College.



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schools, with now and then a term at a high school or an academy, he fitted himself to teach, and from the age of eighteen till thirty he taught every winter. At twenty-one, in Merrimac, Mass., he began to prepare for the medical profession. He attended a term of lectures at Pittsfield, Mass., in the autumn of

**Lucas, Rev. James Wilson**, son of Alfred and Penelope (Giles) Lucas, was born near Averysboro, N. C., March 3, 1850. He was married to Miss Julia Creech, July 21, 1875, and now has two children. He consecrated his life to God in September, 1863; received license to preach in 1868, and was ordained in 1872. He has served as pastor of various churches of the Union Association, Tennessee, and as clerk of the Bear Creek Q. M. He has also been engaged

in teaching, and is now principal of the High School in Parrottsville, Tenn., where he is exerting an extended influence.

Luther, Rev. Israel, son of James and Mary (Parkhurst) Luther, was born in the year 1810, at Canaan, Vt. He was converted in 1835 and ordained in 1851 by the Noble Q. M., Indiana. He traveled in the early part of his ministry through Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, holding revival meetings, and organized several churches. He baptized over three hundred persons. In 1830 he was married to Laura Prouty. At his home in New Haven, Ind., he died, Oct. 1, 1888.

N. H. He is the author of a history of his native town. In 1845 he married Miss Eunice T. Pickering (deceased), and in 1852, Miss Catherine S. Cox. He has two children living.

Lyndon Institute, at Lyndon Centre, Vt., is the result of several earnest endeavors. In 1855 the Y. M. decided to establish a school and chose a committee to select a location. The committee chose the very site on which Lyndon Institute now stands. A remonstrance against this location was presented, and a change was made, but no decisive action was taken. The western section of the Y. M. established at last its seminary at Waterbury Centre. The friends in



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Lyford, Rev. Francis H., was born in Pittsfield, N. H., Sept. 19, 1820. His parents were Dudley and Nancy (Green) Lyford. He was converted at the age of eight. He studied at Pittsfield Academy, Clinton Grove Seminary, and the Friends' Institution at Weare, N. H. In 1859 he was licensed, and in 1860 was ordained by the Strafford Q. M., Vt. His pastorates have been in East Randolph and Thetford, Vt., West Lebanon, Me., Hampton, Laconia, and Meredith Centre, N. H., Haverhill, Mass., Littleton N. H., and (in 1888) at Contoocook,

eastern Vermont now decided to locate for themselves a school. A charter was obtained in November, 1867. A subscription of \$11,350 was pledged in Lyndon, but became null and void by limitation in October, 1868. At a town meeting soon after, the citizens voted to raise \$20,000, provided that \$5,000 should be raised elsewhere. The Wheelock Q. M. agreed to raise \$4,000 of the proposed amount. These subscriptions were raised, and the corner-stone of a building of brick and granite, one hundred by seventy feet, on a beautiful spot, was laid in

August, 1869. The school was opened in the vestry of the church, in August, 1870, under the charge of George W. Worden, with about fifty pupils. In 1871 the building was dedicated with an oration by Dr. Geo. T. Day, and J. C. Hopkins, A. M., became principal of the school. From 1872 to 1881 the principal was Prof. John S. Brown, A. M. Good work was accomplished; the average attendance was sixty-seven, and about thirty were graduated. But all of the available funds of the school had been expended upon the building, and but little endowment had been raised. The property passed into the hands of Mr. Thompson. The school was closed in 1881. Then grandly did the friends of the institution come to its aid. An endowment of \$25,000 was raised, and the third floor and basement were finished at an expense of \$8,000.

In the autumn of 1883 the school was reopened, with Walter Eugene Ranger, A. M., as principal, and with three associate teachers. Mr. Ranger has been at the head of the school for six years. There are now ten teachers. During these six years the board of instruction has been eminent for its sound scholarship and professional skill. Its teachers have been invariably graduates of colleges and higher institutions of learning. Some have had the advantages of foreign and post-graduate study. The school began in 1883 with fifty-three pupils, and for two years grew slowly. Its numbers have doubled in the past four years. In the last term 148 were registered; the average attendance for the current year is 130, and 250 different pupils are enrolled for the year. During the six years 575 different students have been in attendance, and in the past four years thirty-eight have been graduated from the four years' courses, and forty-five from the commercial department. The institute offers four courses of study: four years'

college preparatory, four years' ladies' classical, four years' scientific, and one year commercial. There are also departments of music, art, elocution, phonography and type-writing.

During the six years \$2,500 has been raised and expended in furniture and school supplies. The institute has a chemical laboratory, a large and very valuable cabinet of minerals, fossils, etc., a well furnished art studio, a fine reading room, a library of 750 volumes, many rooms comfortably furnished, philosophical apparatus, etc., etc. It has also steam-heat, spring water, a boarding department and large grounds.

Among the many benefactors of the institute are Hon. S. S. Thompson, D. P. Hall, T. N. Vail, and L. B. Harris, who have given the largest sums. The aggregate gifts of the first two amount to more than \$35,000.

**Lyon, Rev. Daniel**, of Walworth, N. Y., died Sept. 23, 1842, aged 47 years. In 1824 he was ordained, and became pastor of the Walworth church, having been a member of it since its organization in 1816. He was a successful preacher, a wise counselor, a father to his church. More than 300 converts were baptized by him, and his death was greatly lamented.

**Lyster, Rev. W. H.**, son of Philip and Mary (Syxsmith) Lyster, was born in Durham, P. Q., in 1833. He studied at Melbourne, P. Q. Converted in 1854, he was licensed the year following, and in 1856 was ordained by Rev. Zebina Young. He had revivals in the Province of Quebec in 1856, 1860, 1878-80. In 1856 he organized the church at Canda. He was settled for some years at Lincoln, Vt., but in 1887 became pastor at Huntington. He has been a member of General Conference. In 1861 he married C. P. Cartes, and three children bless their union.

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**Mack, Rev. Enoch, M. D.**, was born in Lyme, Conn., and died at Catskill Station, N. Y., Feb. 20, 1881, aged 75 years. In his childhood the family

moved to Susquehanna County, Pa.; and here, after graduating in medicine, he practiced his profession. After a time he turned toward the ministry, and became