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## IN A CARPENTER'S SHOP

At the Lower Corner Woodstock F. B. Church Started 65 Years Ago.

Unveiling of a Tablet to the Memory of the Founders.—Only one, Rev. Joseph Noble Survives, and he Gives his Reminiscences at Sunday's Service.

The fathers where are they?  
 The sainted men of God  
 Who once their hearts aglow with love  
 These hills and valleys trod.

The fathers are with thee  
 Thy glory they behold,  
 As now within the pealy gates  
 They walk the streets of gold.

Rev. Joseph Noble, now in his 80th year was by all means the central figure at the morning service in the Free Baptist church last Sunday, when a memorial tablet, having the names of the ten original members of the denomination inscribed thereon, was formally unveiled. The tablet is very chaste and appropriate. It is of white Italian marble with beveled corners, and the lettering is vermilion. The stone was made and the inscription done by John Gallagher & Son, the painting by George Lee. Both have done their work well. In one corner of the stone is the date 1834, diagonally opposite 1899. Designs of Maltese crosses fill the other corners. The main inscription is as follows:

Organized 1834

by Rev. Sam'l Hartt.

Members:

- SIMEON BAKER,
  - SAMUEL RAYMOND,
  - AMOS C. TOLFORD,
  - DAVID MARSTEN,
  - JOHN P. LOUGEE,
  - HUGH BAKER,
  - JOSEPH NOBLE,
  - STEPHEN PARSONS,
  - MRS. STEPHEN PARSONS,
  - E. M. TRUESDALE.
- Deacons:
- STEPHEN PARSONS,
  - ELISHA BAKER.
- Clerk:
- E. M. TRUESDALE.
- Erected 1899.

The tablet is about four and a half feet long and two wide. It is placed on the eastern wall, in full sight of the congregation. The church was well filled with an attentive congregation. After prayer and a reading from 1 Cor. 12, hymn 737 "Glad-some, we hail this day's return," was sung. Miss Annie Fisher presided at the organ, and had excellent support in the admirable choir connected with this church. Rev. Joseph Parsons, of Marysville, a son of one of the original founders of the church led in prayer. The hymn "The fathers where are they" was sung, and during the offertory which was in aid of the tablet fund, the choir rendered the doxology.

Rev. J. W. Clark, the pastor of the church in a few well timed remarks introduced the veteran speaker, the only surviving member of the ten who organized the F. B. church in Woodstock.

Mr. Noble spoke with eloquence and vigor. He made an excellent impression on all who listened to him. For the basis of his remarks he took the second verse of 8th Deut. "And thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldst keep his commandments or no." After pointing out that he was a charter member of the Free Baptist church, the only survivor, he dwelt upon the idea of the church, which was the faithful and godly people in all denominations. The various denominations were ordained of God to execute some particular purpose that he had in hand. The mission of the church is to bring the world to God. The great question then was, has this church been filling its mission. It started 65 years ago last August. Ten of us met together, nine brothers and one sister and we banded together in a carpenter shop near the lower corner. It had been vacated, and it was in this building we chose to worship God. Some of these meetings are as vivid in my memory as if they occurred this morning. Two Methodist ministers came from Houlton and it was through them that the revival began. There was a Methodist chapel in town, but the minister did not like to go out of the old beaten tracks, so we met in a barn. From this grew up the denomination now so strong. Six ministers have gone out from it. It has built three churches, one between here and the upper corner, one on the flat near by this present one, burned by fire, and lastly this present handsome edifice. There are now on the roll of membership between 1000 and 1200 names. During my service I have administered baptism to 1500 persons. I have seen 67 conferences and have attended all with the exception of one. Of those who were associated with me, it is not necessary to speak. They all did their work and are called hence. Yet I must speak of Mrs. Stephen Parsons. She always reminded me of Deborah of old. Deborah did not wish to go to battle, lest her presence should take away from the honor due Barak, but she remained among the palm trees and thither the men of war went for council. So it was with our dear sister. We went to her for council and good advice we got. When we first began our work, there were 40 rum shops in full blast, and I wondered if there were that many praying people or not. This has all changed for the better. The aged preacher concluded his interesting address by ex-

pressions of thankfulness for the mercies vouchsafed him by the almighty.

Mr. Clark then unveiled the tablet. Speaking of Mr. Noble he said he was sure that he had a place in the heart of the great and loving Father, as in the hearts of his children here below. He had a place in the heart of the young people, and on behalf of the young people of the Society of Christian Endeavour, he begged to present him with a lovely bouquet of flowers, and an envelope containing a \$5 note. The aged pastor was deeply affected at this manifestation of the young people's affection and could scarcely reply because of his emotion. He thanked the young people from the bottom of his heart.

The duty of installing Mr. Clark was then taken up. Mr. Noble addressed him as to his duties and welcomed him to the church. Rev. Mr. Parsons addressed the people. He had known Mr. Clarke for many years, and knew him to be a good man and a good pastor. He did not claim that he was an angel. His looks would proclaim that he was not that. He needed the creature comforts of life, and it was the duty of the people to find them for him. He was not omniscient, and could not know somebody was sick, if he was not told. Sick people sent for the doctor and for their friends, but seemed to think that the minister must know of their trouble without being told. They should send for the minister when they wanted him. He was sure Brother Clark would prove a good and faithful pastor to his people. The service closed by the benediction from Rev. Mr. Noble.

In addressing the people while unveiling the tablet, Mr. Clark spoke of the generosity of the manufacturers who had contributed toward the stone.

It is due to Mr. E. J. Clark to say that it was through his efforts that this handsome memorial was placed in the church. He spared no pains in getting it up.

BIRTH Stone rings, so nice for a birthday present at Jewett's.

### NEW COUNTY COUNCIL.

Names of Those Elected and Votes They Received.

There will be several familiar faces missing at the new County Council which will meet in January. David Gibson, of Northampton, whose attacks on the Scott Act are well known, will not be there. C. E. Gallagher, of Bath did not get the requisite votes. His advocacy of a new gaol made him particularly prominent, and he was generally a good councillor. G. W. White's vigorous speeches will be missed. John Colter of Northampton narrowly escaped election, and Mr. Purrinton of Richmond will not be among the gentlemen who will transact the county business for the next two years. There were two polls held in Woodstock, and thus it is undecided who will be the actual members of the council. Following are the returns:—

NORTHAMPTON.	
Wm. O. Cluff.....	118
H. A. Phillips.....	112
John Colter.....	111
J. J. Rogers.....	99
ABERDEEN.	
E. S. Gilmore.....	74
Wm. Lamont.....	70
Henry Donostie.....	58
Wm. H. Slater (resigned).	
PEEL.	
Wm. Tompkins, David Phillips, (without opposition).	
BRIGHTON.	
R. W. Richardson, Hartland No. 1.....	171
Rockland " 2.....	103
Gideon Phillips, Hartland No. 1.....	274
Rockland " 2.....	130
C. J. Connolly, Hartland, No. 1.....	228
Rockland " 2.....	86
WICKLOW.	
G. L. Cronkhitte.....	119
A. G. Caldwell.....	114
R. Longstaff.....	100
S. W. White.....	103
KENT.	
Atkinson.....	147
Tracy.....	144
C. E. Gallagher.....	120
Shaw.....	91
WAKEFIELD.	
A. G. Bell.....	210
F. R. Shaw.....	199
L. R. Harding.....	160
WILMOT.	
H. P. Carvell.....	206
I. W. Cheney.....	203
G. H. Stockoe.....	190
E. L. West.....	155
WOODSTOCK PARISH.	
Joseph Speer.....	150
Jas. H. Forrest.....	144
C. A. Lewin.....	134
RICHMOND.	
John Hay.....	151
Bell.....	145
Merrithew.....	108
Purrinton.....	85
SIMONDS.	
John Kearney, Albion Foster, WOODSTOCK TOWN.	
At Town Hall.	
W. S. Saunders.....	330
A. G. Bailey.....	307
Wm. Balmain.....	293
H. E. Gallagher.....	85
A. Henderson.....	72
At Connell Street.	
H. E. Gallagher.....	229
A. Henderson.....	221
W. S. Saunders.....	18
A. G. Bailey.....	10
Wm. Balmain.....	8

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## UNIQUE STATE OF AFFAIRS

One Prisoner Murdered His Father, and the Other Killed His Son.

Both Waiting Result of Appeals.—An Interview with Electus Oakes.—He used to Drive logs on this River.—Stone-breaking Abolished.

Houlton, Me., is a pretty place, excepting perhaps in drear November. Then, it is in the sear and yellow leaf. With the verdant foliage, its glory hath largely departed. There are however several handsome brick blocks, and the business part of the town being on a level, shows to better advantage than Woodstock. But the great attraction in Houlton is the court house and gaol. The court house is a very handsome building appointed in a way to do credit to a city of considerable size. The superiority of the Houlton gaol has often been dwelt upon. It certainly is a most up-to-date affair, and if prisoners are ever to be envied, it might be in their comfortable quarters within this prison. To be sure the locks are strong and the bars heavy, but the cells are roomy, clean and wide corridors surround them. On each flat is a bath and no prisoner need go duty. Moreover when your correspondent visited this institution, the inmates seemed to be having a general good time. Many of them were smoking, some were enjoying a quiet game at cards and all seemed in good spirits. For the genus tramp this gaol is peculiarly a place of refuge, much better than a cold barn, and the prospect of an angry farmer's wife, and no breakfast, or, almost worse still, a breakfast that has to be worked for by the sawing of wood, or other labour, abhorrent to the gentle hobo. It used to be that the boarders in Houlton gaol broke stone, and this was hard upon their backs, though good for the streets of Houlton. Now, strife exists between the county and town authorities, and as a consequence stone is no longer broken by the prisoners. This suits them exactly and the cells are rarely empty, but it will come as a shock to us, Woodstockers who have quoted the stone breaking process as such an excellent idea. Our idol has fallen from its pedestal.

There are two prisoners in goal, under life sentence for murder. One is young Daniel Murphy who cruelly put an end to his father's life, about a year and a half ago. A jury found him guilty of murder in the first degree, but the usual appeals have resulted and Murphy remains in gaol quite comfortable. I passed by his cell and thought I would enquire as to his health, but he has a peculiar habit of covering over his head and lying in his couch as if asleep. I asked the gaoler why was this, thus, and he said, "Oh! Murphy always does that." I was more successful in seeing Electus Oakes, who a few weeks ago was found guilty of shooting and killing his son, away up in the north part of the county. The old man, he is 80 years of age, is allowed considerable latitude. Like Murphy, he had a life sentence, and like Murphy he is awaiting the result of the inevitable appeal. A more harmless, a quieter, decanter looking old man, one could not hardly expect to see among his class. Oakes is short, has a bushy gray beard, a bright eye, with just enough shiftiness in it to make one question the possession of complete and virile reason. He is allowed the run of the corridors, and has a nice, quite roomy cell. He is a veteran of the late war, and wears a G. A. R. hat, and a medal. He belonged to one of the Maine companies, and did his share of duty, no doubt. I did not question him much as to his connection with the crime. I said "I hear you had great provocation," and he answered, tears coming in his eyes "great provocation." It was rather amusing to hear his comment on a prisoner across the corridor. Whispering in my ear, he said, "She's a bad woman, she's an awful bad woman." He said further "I was never inside a gaol before, never had a key turned on me, till this happened." I know you people well he said. Years ago I used to drive the St. John river, and well do I remember old man Glasier below Fredericton. We used to call him the "Main John Glasier," and the old chap laughed over the times he used to have in his early days. To my inquiry he he said, "I can't read or write. That's the worst of it. I had no schoolin, or, yes, I may say, I went to school five days in my life. We had no chance to get schoolin in my young days. He said his old woman was coming down to see him on Tuesday and that seemed to give him great comfort. "We have been together near sixty years," he said. "How many children have you." I asked. "Thirteen," was the reply. Perhaps the old chap thought he had a right to shoot one out of so large a flock of his own raising. The exact events that led up to the shooting I do not know, but I was told by those who attended the court, that it was shown that there was great trouble between father and son, in

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