

WEST LEBANON CHURCH.

The West Lebanon Baptist church was organized by Revs. T. Dinsmore and J. Johnston, August 7, 1847. This little church, like almost all the Baptist churches in this country, has struggled hard, in the face of many difficulties, to maintain its visibility. Too weak in financial resources to sustain a regular ministry, it has had but very scant ministerial culture. Quite a list of devoted men is given in its history, as having served it a different periods, but mostly for brief terms. Some served a few months only, others for periods extending from one to three years. Its longest pastorate, including, however, but a fraction of the ministers time, extended to less than five years. It is now in a feeble state and without any pastoral service. Hoping seemingly, against hope, it still struggles on, and looks for the brighter days. The following named ministers have tendered more or less service to the church, viz: T. Dinsmore, Aaron Neff, John Thomas, T. Penny, W. B. Bingham, S. Furman, M. S. Bowser, and M. L. Rowland, who resigned October, 1879.