

THE HALDIMAND DEANERY MAGAZINE.

R. J. Evans. The proceeds will be applied to repairs on the parsonage. The receipts at the door amounted to about \$36.00

The pulpit here will be taken on the 16th inst., by the Rev. C. Scudamore, Rural Dean, who will administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the morning service. The same day the Rev. Mr Cotton preaches in behalf of Diocesan Missions in York and Seneca. Mr. Cotton expects to exchange with the Rev. Wm. Bevan on the 23rd, for the same purpose.

BAPTISM — Katie Bell, infant daughter of Francis and Alice Smith.

HAGERSVILLE

It is with deep regret that we have to record the deaths of three communicants of this parish who have passed away to their reward within the past month. Their relatives and friends have the deep sympathy of the community, and the congregation feels that it has indeed sustained a loss during the past month.

On Sunday, Jan. 12, word reached us that Mr. Alexander McDonald had passed away in Bay City, Michigan, where he had gone some weeks previously to reside with his sister. On the following Wednesday his body was laid away after the Burial Office had been said in the church. When the final prayers of the church had been offered at the grave his brother Masons paid their last respects to his memory with their impressive and solemn ceremonies.

Again a deep gloom of sadness was cast over the village, when on Tuesday evening, Jan. 28, it became known that Mrs. D. J. Almas, wife of one of our church wardens, had breathed her last. All hearts at once felt a thrill of deep sympathy for those who had lost a loving wife, daughter and sister. The following Thursday afternoon found business in the village suspended and the church crowded to its utmost capacity for the funeral service as a testimony of sympathy for the bereaved and loving respect for the memory of the departed.

Once more our hearts were touched on Tuesday, Feb. 4th. William Utton, an old respected inhabitant of the village and worthy communicant of the church, was called away after a comparatively brief illness. With the accustomed solemn rites of the church he was buried on Thursday.

On Tuesday, Jan. 28th, a social was held at the home of Mrs. Aiken. Owing to the sad death of Mrs. D. J. Almas few of those living in the village felt in the mood for a social evening, and so the attendance was not as large as was expected. However, many of our friends did turn out from the neighborhood. Our best thanks are due to Mrs. Aiken and family for all their kindness and trouble.

On Wednesday, Jan. 22nd, the quarterly service of the Deanery of Haldimand was held in All Saints' Church, Hagersville. On account of the inclement weather the attendance of the clergy was interfered with. The Rev. J. S. Broughall, of St. Stephen's Church, Toronto, was the preacher. The day following meetings were to have been held, but nearly all the clergy were prevented from attending by the state of the roads.

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During January the incumbent exchanged duties with his son, Rev. E. P. S. Spencer, celebrating Holy Communion at Fonthill and Port Robinson, and also with Rev. Wm. Bevan, who preached anniversary Sermons in St. Paul's church on the Sunday succeeding St. Paul's day, when offerings to the amount of \$10.00 were given for the reduction of the church debt. The response to the annual appeal for Foreign Missions was \$4.00. The cold and stormy weather which has characterized several Sundays since the beginning of the year has appreciably lessened both the attendance and the average offertory collection. All should try to make the season of Lent a time for much zeal and liberality, so that the final results of the parochial year may not be disappointing.

"Awake, my soul; stretch every nerve,
And press with vigor on;
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,
And an immortal crown."

The pastor and parishioners have been very sorry to miss the face and voice of the senior church warden, Mr. C. E. Bourne, for several Sundays, sickness having confined him to the house; and all hope that he will soon be restored to his place in the parish and in the community.

The death of Georgina Wells Eaid, familiarly known as Ena, made many hearts sad besides those of her near relatives. She was a bright and active girl in health, while during her sickness she showed remarkable patience and contentment. "The maid is not dead, but sleepeth." Though absent from her accustomed place, she is, we may believe, more truly "at home" than before her decease.

BURIAL.—On Jan. 27th, in St. Paul's Church cemetery, Georgina Wells Eaid, who departed this life on Jan. 25th, aged 13 years, 11 months and 12 days.

On Jan. 29th, at the request of Rev. G. F. Davidson, rector, the Rev. P. L. Spencer gave in the S. S. room of St. George's Church, Guelph, an illustrated lecture on "The Parishes and Missions of the Diocese of Niagara."