

THE CHURCH MONTHLY

JARVIS AND HAGERSVILLE.

The chief event during the month of October was the administration of Confirmation in each church on Wednesday, the 10th. The Bishop held service first in All Saints', the number of persons presented by the incumbent being eleven. The following is the list of names: Alexander McDonald, Elizabeth Lawson, Rebecca Brown, Mary Jane McCarthy, Helen Ingles, Gertrude Edith McCloy, Ina Leathong, Lottie Utton, Mary Ellen Brown, Irene Slack, and Henry Elgin Carter Ince. The congregation numbered 70; and the offertory collection, which, according to the rule made by the Synod, was for the purpose of reducing the debt on the See House in Hamilton, amounted to \$2.52. The service in St. Paul's church was held at 8 p. m. The number of candidates was eight, their names being the following: Charlotte Lewis, Evelyn Sowter, Ida Rogers, Eva Parsons, Christina Davis, Edith G. Lewis, Walter Jones, John Berkly Armstrong. A congregation of 160 persons witnessed the solemn ceremony. The amount contributed to the See House was \$4.27. The Bishop's addresses were marked by his usual fervency and power. These nineteen volunteers in the army of Christ should add considerably to the spiritual strength of the parish. The incumbent earnestly hopes that they will regularly attend the highest and most sacred ordinance for which Confirmation is a direct preparation.

O, let Thy table honored be,
And furnished well with joyful guests,
And may each soul salvation see
That here its sacred pledges tastes."

On Thanksgiving Day services was held in both churches. The attendance was not nearly so large as it should have been. The offerings for the Aged and Disabled Clergy Fund, if we include those given on the following Sunday were however, more liberal than a year ago, amounting altogether to \$10.00, of which sum Hagersville gave \$4.50 and Jarvis \$5.50.

The churchwardens have adopted the plan of handing at once to the incumbent all offerings given for objects outside the parish. Mr. Spencer has sent to the Synod Office all such monies contributed since Easter. This plan will prevent confusion in accounts, and ensure the immediate transmission of extra-parochial funds.

On the 24th of October, Mr. Spencer attended the semi-annual meeting of the Board of the D. and F. M. S., which was held in St. James' school house, Toronto. The attendance was large, there being present the Bishops of Toronto, Huron, Quebec, Ottawa and Algoma, besides several archdeacons, canons, ordinary clergymen, and prominent laymen. Most of the dioceses were therefore represented by their appointed delegates. The business included the appropriation of money to Algoma and the dioceses in the North-west, the distribution of the Children's Lenten Offerings among the Indian Schools, the consideration of the best

way of obtaining annual contributions to the Society, and the preparation of the Epiphany Appeal and the Children's Lenten Letter. The evening was devoted to the prescribed missionary meeting, which was addressed chiefly by an earnest layman from the U. S., who represented the Student's Volunteer Missionary Movement. This address was remarkably forcible and brilliant. The next meeting was appointed to be held in London on the second Wednesday after Easter.

BAPTIZED.

In All Saints' church, on Sunday, Oct. 7th, Gertrude Edith McCloy: witnesses: S. E. Emma Spencer and M. E. Almas.

In St. Paul's church, on Oct. 7th, Jane Sharp: witnesses, John Sharp and S. E. Emma Spencer.

In the same church, on Oct. 8th, William, Sarah Ann, Elsie Belle, Harriet Alice, Harry James, children of Harry and Ada Cave: sponsors, the parents.

In the same church and at the same time Hermina Barbara, infant daughter of Isaac and Barbara Osborne.

In St. Paul's church, on Oct. 19th, Harold Brock, child of Thomas and Victoria Underhill.

BURIAL.

On Saturday, Oct. 27th, George Albert Evans, aged 45 years.

The interment, which took place in the Cheapside churchyard, was conducted by Rev. P. L. Spencer, assisted by Mr. Hull, licensed lay reader and Divinity student. The funeral was largely attended by members of the Orange Order as well as by friends and relatives.

The incumbent has lately been holding a series of cottage services followed by lantern lessons. Having reviewed the condition of S. Africa, he is now engaged in describing OUR OWN COUNTRY. The meetings are increasing in interest. The offerings will be devoted to the purchase of a book desk of brass for the Holy Table of All Saints' church, to be first used first on Christmas day.

At Garnet several cottage meetings have lately been held by Mr. Spencer, and the attendants have expressed their warm appreciation.

PORT MAITLAND AND SOUTH CAYUGA.

EXCHANGE.

On Sunday, Oct. 21st, the Rev. J. Francis, B. D., officiated in this parish, the incumbent being at York, and the Rural-Dean at Cayuga.

W. A. MEETING.

Fairly well attended meetings of the two branches of the Woman's Auxiliary have been held during the month at Mrs. Stephen's and Mrs. J. Brulford's; Mrs. W. Logan's and Mrs. Dickhout's.