

lowed by Matins at 10.30. The study of Greek Testament was then taken up. The Rural Dean read an introduction to St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, which, with an interesting discussion upon it, occupied the time until one o'clock. At noon a short Office of prayer was said. In the afternoon the Chapter meeting of the Deanery was held. Minutes were read and matters of general interest discussed, especially the duty of the Clergy to visit the Public Schools. Evensong was said in St. Peter's Church at 7.30, when the Rev. E. B. Husband, of Marbleton, preached.

On October 9th and 10th the Rev. C. E. Bishop welcomed the Clergy of the District to a Deanery meeting at Scotstown. Seven Clergy out of nine were present. Evensong was said on Monday at 7.30 p.m. The meeting of the Deanery was fixed upon as the Harvest Thanksgiving, and the Rev. J. W. Wayman preached a most thoughtful Sermon on Thanksgiving. A Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. on Tuesday morning was attended not only by all the Clergy, but by a number of the Congregation, both men and women. After Mattins at 9.20 the Rural Dean led in Greek Testament study. Romans I. to III., v. 20, was taken up, and the special topic was "Sin and Its Results." The Deanery prayer was read at noon.

After dinner at the Parsonage a pleasant hour was spent in social chat, and the meeting adjourned. A third meeting of the Deanery was held at Canaan, Vermont, on November 14th and 15th. The Incumbent of Hereford is an International Missionary, and is doing real and effective Missionary work, not only in Hereford, but in the States of Vermont and New Hampshire. On Tuesday afternoon a well attended meeting was held in the Church Hall at Stewartstown, when the Rural Dean and Rev. A. H. Moore gave addresses on Church work. At 7.30 p.m. we drove to Hereford Church for another Service. This was a most inspiring one. The Church was as full as it could hold, the majority being men. The Service was hearty and bright, and the Rev. A. H. Moore and the Rural Dean gave addresses on "Church Work" and "Our Duty as Soldiers of Jesus Christ."

One had only to look at the congre-

gation to see what a great work is being done. This work at Hereford is true Missionary work, and I wish that some of our good Churchmen in Quebec could have been with us to see what the Church is doing in this lonely outpost, among the rugged Hereford hills, where but for the Church the people would be as sheep without a shepherd.

Wednesday was devoted to Greek Testament, Romans III, v. 20 and IV., with "Imputation" as the special topic.

After Greek Testament a paper was read by the Rev. A. E. Whatham, on "The Old Testament in the Light of Modern Science."

The paper was most thoughtful and original, and was followed by an animated discussion. These Deanery meetings are not only helpful to the Clergy, but are also useful to the Parish in which the meeting may be held. We hope to continue them through the winter.

Some Historical Communion Plate.

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I. - THE QUEEN ANN.

The year of Grace, 1664, changed New York from a Dutch to a British possession. It was not, however, until 1693 that it was ordained by a formal Act of Assembly that six "Protestant Ministers" should be appointed therein. The operation of this Act began in 1697, when a Church was built, the vestry of which appointed Mr. W. Vesey to the Incumbency, provided that he obtained ordination in England. This was the beginning of Trinity Church, and Mr. Vesey continued in office as Rector for the first fifty years of its existence. By the year 1706, the Church had made considerable headway in the vicinity of New York, as we read that in that year Jamaica, Hempstead, Westchester, Rye, and Staten Island, each received from Queen Anne "a large Bible, Prayer Book, Book of Homilies, with Cloths for the Pulpit and Communion Table, and a silver Chalice and Paten" and that Burlington, N.J., and Philadelphia, had already benefited by a like mark of royal favor.