

## THE CHURCH MONTHLY.

There have been seven business meetings, with an average attendance of 4.71 and twelve sewing meetings with an average attendance of 5. Last year the attendance at all the meetings averaged 7.

As a result of our sewing, one bale, weighing one hundred pounds, was sent to St. Peter's Mission, Lesser Slave Lake, and arrived at its destination in good condition.

During the year the president, assisted by the rector, secured the services of Rev. P. L. Spencer of Jarvis, to give two lectures; one in April on Japan and another in December on South Africa. These were fairly well attended.

A social was given at the residence of Mrs. Crawford, but this was not very successful financially, on account of the showery weather. The proceeds of both lectures and the social were placed in the treasury. A very good feature of the branch is that most of the funds raised by it are the personal gifts of its members. It is to be regretted that no meetings, which were solely devotional in character, have been held and it is earnestly to be hoped that we will not, in the future, neglect to seek God's blessing on our work in this way. May we as a branch of the W. A. never forget to praise our Heavenly Father for all His mercies to us and to ask Him to put into our hearts the things that we should do and say to promote His glory and further the objects we have in hand. Respectfully submitted,

I. J. LOGAN,

Secretary St. John's W.A.

The election of officers resulted in the following being chosen:—

President—Miss C. I. Docker.

Vice-President—Mrs. J. Blott.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. Lyons.

Secretary—Miss I. J. Logan.

The incumbent named Mrs. T. Blott and Mrs. S. Bowden as his nominees. Miss Logan and Mrs. Dickhout were chosen delegates, and Mrs. J. Blott and Mrs. Dickhout auditors. The day will be looked back to with satisfaction and pleasure by all who were present.

The report of the Literary Society's entertainment on the 4th has already been seen by our readers in the local papers. It only remains to add that the proceeds amounted to \$13.70, out of which \$3.50 went to pay for the new curtains which the society had bought to be used on these occasions; the balance has been placed in the bank to the credit of the society's parsonage fund account. While the proceeds were less than in any former year, the programme was the most satisfactory one yet given.

No service was held at St. John's church on Sunday, 24th, owing to the blizzard that prevailed all afternoon. The congregation at Port Matland

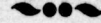
in the morning numbered eleven.

### NOTICES FOR MARCH.

Holy communion—Christ's Church, Sunday, 10th, St. John's, Sunday, 17th.

W. A. meetings at Mrs. J. Lyons' on the 6th, and Mrs. J. Blott's on the 20th.

The Literary Society will meet on the 11th and 25th, on the former date at Mrs. J. Lyons.'



## Jarvis and Hagersville.

The Queen Victoria memorial services on Saturday, February 2nd were largely attended. The incumbent had on the previous Sunday preached on the subject of "The long and good life of Her Majesty," but on the 2nd ult. he made the whole service suit the solemn nature of the occasion. Both churches were appropriately draped. The sermon was intended to show that while a feeling of deep sorrow for the nation's loss was natural and proper, there should at the same time be expressed, calm and holy satisfaction for the benefits derived from the spotless life and benign rule of the late Queen as well as for the peaceful nature of her last hours. A photograph of the interior of each church was taken. This will serve as an interesting and instructive memento of the day and the service. Parishioners who desire to obtain a copy should mention the fact to the incumbent.

On February 10th, the incumbent exchanged duties with Rev. Wm. Bevan of Caledonia, the latter preaching the annual missionary sermons. The loose offerings were given for diocesan missions, the amount in Jarvis being \$3.82 and that in Hagersville \$3.12.

On Sunday, the 17th, Mr. John D. Hull conducted the services, the incumbent officiating at Nanticoke and Cheapside and administering the Holy Communion in those places.

Lent, which began on the 20th of February, is being marked by a full work-day service in each church and the preaching of a course of sermons on the Beatitudes, Thursday being the day for Hagersville and Friday that for Jarvis.

On the Sundays there are sermons in each church on the six commandments of the second tablet of the great moral law given by God to man at Mt. Sinai. The final week will be observed in a still more solemn manner.

The incumbent is endeavoring to complete the parish apportionment. Jarvis has given \$12.02,