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JARVIS

The Coronation service was held on the proper day, Saturday, Aug. 9th, and was well attended. The form of prayer prepared by the Archbishop of Canterbury was used, and all the special hymns were sung. The sermon dealt chiefly with the religious aspect of the Abbey ceremonial, and contained much interesting information of an historical nature. The church was appropriately decorated. Rev. Arthur Francis of St. Cayuga took a part of the service; and Miss Eva Taylor of St. James' church, Guelph, acted as organist. The occasion will long be remembered by those present. A memento of it has been prepared in the form of a photograph of the interior of St. Paul's. This can be inserted in the souvenier form of service, and thus the parishioners will have a picture of their own church as well as that of the Abbey.

On Sunday, the 10th of Aug., the incumbent preached in St. Paul's church, Dunnville, as well as conducted service in both churches of Rev. Arthur Francis' parish, the latter clergyman officiating in Jarvis, where he is always warmly welcomed. On the following Sunday, the 17th of Aug., the incumbent took duty at Port Robinson and Fonthill, his son, Rev. E. P. S. Spencer, exchanging with him. On Sunday, the 24th, he preached in St. Saviour's church, Detroit, Mich., U. S., he having gone to that city to visit his sister and other relatives. Rev. R. Herbert of Port Dover took the duty in Jarvis. On the 31st Rev. J. R. Newell of Markdale, diocese of Huron, preached both morning and evening in St. Paul's. Such occasional changes are good for both clergy and people.

To the sum cleared by the Willing Workers' recent social may be added \$1.00, the profit on the sale of ten W. W. book-rests. A few of these useful articles are still to be obtained, price 35 cents.

The editor has received answers to Bible puzzles III and V, July, and IV and V August, from Roy Peacock.

Harvest thanksgiving services will be held D. V., on Sunday, the 21st of Sept., the preacher being Rev. W. E. White of Cayuga.

HAGERSVILLE.

During the absence of the incumbent the Sunday services were taken by Mr. C. Bourne of Jarvis, The Rev. C. L. Ingles, St. Mark's, Toronto, and Mr. H. Arrell, Caledonia.

The Womans' Auxiliary are busy in preparation for a Bazaar and concert to be held about the middle of September.

On Sunday, August 24, the Rev. A. J. Broughall of St. Stephen's church, Toronto, preached to large congregations both morning and evening.

Mrs. Broughall, on Wednesday, August 27th addressed a large meeting of the W. A. at the residence of Miss Almas, on "The ideal of a Christian woman."

THE PARISH OF HAGERSVILLE.

Little more than a mere outline can be given of our history, on account of the scarcity and meagreness of the parochial records. The first missionary in this part of the country was the Rev. B. C. Hill, who, about 1850 held monthly services in the old school house situate on the plank road between Hagersville and Ballsville. Mr. Hill, who is always referred to with admiration by those who remember him, ministered at one time to Caledonia, York, Cayuga, Nanticoke, Jarvis and Hagersville. The Reverend Solmon Briggs succeeded Mr. Hill and served the parish from 1858-1864. He, in turn, was succeeded by the Rev. Jas. Morton (1864-1868), who is now living in retirement in Toronto.

In 1868 the Rev. John Francis entered on the incumbency of Nanticoke, Cheapside, Jarvis, and Hagersville. During his tenure our present church was built on the property given to the parish by David Almas, J. P. On a stormy day in March, 1870, the church was formally opened. Despite the storm, large numbers were present from the surrounding country. The Revs. Messrs. Irwin and Green followed Mr. Francis in succession each for a short period after which Dr. Gabriel Johnson for about 10 years held the rectory of Jarvis and Hagersville, which during Mr. Francis' incumbency were constituted a separate Parish.

In 1889 the Rev. Robinson Gardiner became rector, and he in turn was followed by the Rev. F. C. Piper in 1896. In August, 1899, the Reverend P. L. Spencer, the present rector of Jarvis, began his work in this field. During his tenure the debt on the church was wiped off and the edifice was formally consecrated by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese on Jan. 6, 1900. For a long time the need of a resident clergyman had been felt in Hagersville, the work in the combined parish being found too great a tax on the energy and resources of the most willing, consequently in 1901 an effort was made to secure the constitution of Hagersville into a separate parish and to provide for a resident clergyman. This resulted in the appointment of the Rev. L. W. B. Broughall, who entered on his duties as first incumbent of Hagersville on November 3rd, 1901.

All Saint's Church, a view of which appears on the cover, is a well built red brick structure, all the appointments of which are good. It contains an excellent pipe organ, and the sanctuary is furnished with a fine brass book-rest for the holy table and a beautifully wrought alms-dish of the same material. The desire of clergyman and congregation is to complete the parish equipment by the erection of a parsonage and a S. S. building.