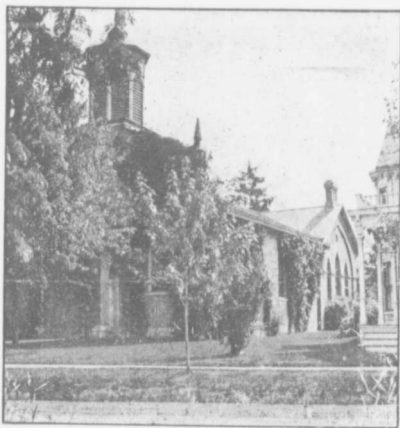




THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The property upon which Christ church is built and the cemetery ground adjoining was given by the late Col. Wm Caldwell early in the nineteenth century. The western portion of the church was built in the year 1808, the brick was donated by Robert Reynolds, of Commissariat Department, the eastern addition and chancel, added in 1873 and the interior renovated in the year 1896. The oldest grave stone in the church yard was erected to the memory of Alexander Duff, J. P., and bears the date of his death, June, 1809. In addition to the monument erected by the citizens in this cemetery to the memory of the soldiers who fell on Pelee Island, there is a well preserved stone inscribed: "Sacred to the memory of Captain William Mills, a native of Blyton, in Lincolnshire, England, who died at Amherstburg on the 10th of December, 1813, aged 52 years. A worthy man and a zealous citizen. This monument was erected by the desire of his affectionate brother." Many other military interments were made here, a fact referred to by Major John Richardson in his "War of 1812." It is said the north end of the cemetery, on Gore street, has from one to five graves deep, all Protestant denominations using it to bury their dead until the new cemetery was opened. Adjoining the cemetery on the east, and opposite Simcoe street, was the first Roman Catholic church and cemetery. This is a Crown Rectory and still receives the benefit of funds invested from the sale of lands granted by the Crown.