

## General

The autumn meeting of the standing committee of the diocese was held in the Synod office on Tuesday, Oct. 15th. Among the matters of business transacted was the placing of the name of Mrs. Seaman on the list of widows deriving a benefit from the W and O fund. The chancellor of the diocese is considering the effect which the new Aged and Disabled Clergy Canon will have upon the clergy who have already retired. All the parishes of the diocese are occupied by clergymen and much good work is going on.

### Jarvis.

The new arrangement has already produced good results, the offertory collections showing considerable improvement when compared with those before the parochial change and the aggregate attendance being correspondingly greater. Thus in October 1900, the aggregate attendance was 497 and the total amount of offerings was \$28.86, while during the past month the attendance has been 637 and the total sum given has been \$49.37. The latter figures do not include \$19.00 given for the reduction of the church debt.

The incumbent is desirous of having one evening a week devoted to the mental culture of the parishioners in addition to the evenings for service and church work. He has given addresses on "The Character and Writings of Rudyard Kipling" and "What We Owe to King Alfred the Great."

The harvest thanksgiving services were held this year on a Sunday, the incumbent, himself, preaching suitable sermons. This plan enables the business men of the parish to be present. The day chosen was October 6th.

On the evening of Sunday, Oct. 13th, Rev. R. Gardiner, a former incumbent of the parish, preached, his text being, "Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness." He complimented the congregation upon the completion of the work for which, in his time, they had made preparation, viz., the erection of the new and beautiful church in which they were then assembled. Mr. Gardiner spent several days in Jarvis and called upon many of his former parishioners. He, they and the present incumbent were pleased and cheered by his visit.

On Sunday, October 20th, a special service of intercessory prayer for Sunday schools was held according to appointment by "the Ordinary," the incumbent preaching from the words, "From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, etc."

In order to consolidate the parish debts, and at the same time effect a saving in interest, the church warden has borrowed \$200.00, and having added that sum to the money already available for reducing the debt on the church, have paid \$500 to the person holding the mortgage on the church. This leaves only \$500.00 still to be paid on account of the new building. The total indebtedness of the parish is now \$700.00, not nearly so much as that of many other parishes of the diocese. Great credit is due the Women's Guild and the Willing Workers for their assistance, the former having donated \$56 and the latter \$22.45. These gifts are the latest of a large number of similar contributions. The sums still collectable from the original subscribers to the building fund amount to \$100.00 at least.

### BURIALS.

On Oct. 1st, in St. Paul's graveyard, Patrick Mealley of Springvale, aged 80 years and 7 months.

On Oct. 26th, in St. Paul's cemetery, Margaret Jackson Hair of Rockford, in the 82nd year of her age.

"Rest comes at length, though life be long and dreary,

The day must dawn, and darksome night be past;  
Faith's journey ends in welcome to the weary,  
And heav'n, the heart's true home, will come at last."

### BAPTISM.

In St. Paul's church, on Sunday, Oct. 13th, Maud Beatrice, infant daughter of Robert and Jane Kelly of Walpole township.

## Hagersville.

Two services were held on each Sunday evening during the month of October. On the first Sunday, Rev. Canon Gribble of Niagara Falls officiated. On the second Rev. Wilmot Broughall of Toronto preached. On the third Canon Gribble again took the duty. On the fourth Harrison Arrel, Esq., of Caledonia, licensed lay reader, performed the office. The attendance has already greatly improved, and the Sunday school and the choir have shown new life and energy.

The Bishop has appointed Rev. Wilmot Broughall, third son of Rev. A. J. Broughall of St. Stephen's church, Toronto, to the charge of the new parish. He was to enter upon his duties on the first Sunday in November. The Bishop has commissioned Rural Dean Scudamore to induct the new incumbent as soon as arrangements can be completed.