

and All Angels was beautifully decorated by members of the congregation, and the edifice proved none too large for those assembled.

The same might have been said of the All Saint's or River Church. An effort is being made by the congregation of the said church to complete the fencing of the church yard, which is used as a cemetery, and which consists of an acre of land. When that is done the cemetery will be consecrated. A subscription was started by Mrs. Mainguy, and already \$50.00 has been collected. A grant of \$75.00 has been obtained from the S. P. C. K. towards improvements to be made in the church, and when this is accomplished the premises will be an ornament to the parish, and reflect credit on both pastor and people.

On Christmas day, morning service with Holy Communion was held in this church. The congregation was unusually large, and the ladies had displayed great taste in the decorations. Mrs. Holmes presided at the harmonium.

At St. Michael and All Angel's the service was held by request in the evening, and although the weather was very disagreeable and stormy, yet a goodly number turned out. On entering the church a person could hardly help being struck with the beauty of the surroundings. No pains had been spared in the decorations: and on all sides something fresh met the eye, showing plainly what willing hands can do when incited by love of the sanctuary. The church being warm and well lighted, added greatly to the comfort of those present. Mrs. Holmes again made herself useful at the organ, having walked with me three miles, through the rain and snow, in order to be present.

An acre of land has been generously given by Mr. M. Howe for the purpose of a cemetery. In connection with this, steps have been taken towards enclosing it with a picket fence, lich-gate, etc. The lumber has been kindly promised by Mr. Palmer, manager of the Chemainus & Victoria Lumber Manufacturing Company. This liberal gift is a great help to us, as our means are very limited, and there still remains a debt on the church, for which the Incumbent is responsible.

The work of clearing the cemetery and making the fence posts has been commenced, and donations of money or labor promised: hence, we look forward hopefully to the material work of the church, and we trust that the spiritual work will also advance in the hearts of the people.

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