

THE CHURCH MONTHLY.

DEANERY MEETING.

A meeting of the clergy of this Deanery was held at Jarvis on Thursday, May 2nd. On the evening preceding the day of the meeting, service was held in St. Paul's church at 8 o'clock. Evensong was said by Rev. Rural Dean Scudamore, the Lessons being read by Mr. T. D. Hull, student in charge at Nanticoke, and the benediction was pronounced by the rector of the parish. The Rev. Rural Dean McKenzie of Brantford preached a most excellent sermon from the text, Gal. 6:10: "The household of faith." Before beginning his sermon Mr. McKenzie congratulated the people of Jarvis on their having erected so beautiful a "House of Prayer."

There was a celebration of the Holy Communion next morning at 7.30, at which 8 persons from the parish communicated besides the Lay Reader and the three clergy.

The meetings of the Chapter were held at the rectory. Business relating to the new apportionment scheme and other matters was attended to. One hour was given profitably to Greek Testament study.

The Rural Dean read a paper on part of Dr. Langtry's book "Come home," continuing from where he left off at the last meeting. An event of interest and importance in connection with the meeting was the receiving of a deputation consisting of the wardens, from All Saints' church, Hagersville, who came to acquaint the Rural Dean and Chapter with the desire of that congregation to be set apart as a new parish.

Cayuga was appointed as the next place of meeting, Sept. 10th and 11th being the dates, and it was decided to hold a Sunday School convention in connection therewith, Rev. Messrs. Spencer and White being appointed a committee to make arrangements.

MR. KENNEDY'S VISIT.

The Rev. F. W. Kennedy, missionary of the Domestic and Foreign Board at Matusomoto, Japan, visited this Deanery recently giving to the work from Sunday, 21st, to 28th, inclusive. He addressed the congregations of St. John's church, York, and St. John's church, Cayuga, on Sunday, 21st, morning and evening respectively. On Monday evening, he lectured, with lantern views, in the S. H. of St. Paul's church, Jarvis. On Tuesday evening he spoke in All Saints', Hagersville, and on Wednesday in St. Paul's Caledonia. On Thursday and Friday evenings he lectured again, using the lantern, in school houses in the parish of Port Maitland and South Cayuga, and on Sunday, 28th, he preached in the South Cayuga, Port Maitland and Dunnville churches. As a result of his visit \$35.50 was contributed in the Deanery to the mission work of the board in Japan, but it is hoped that the earnest words of one who can speak of his own work may awaken among the church people of the deanery, an interest not calculated in dollars and cents.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, YORK.

The Easter services were enjoyed by a goodly number of worshippers and communicants. The responses and singing were of a hearty character. Some Bermuda lilies and other flowers adorned the

house of God by their beauty and fragrance, and the special anthem and Easter selections added to bright and helpful services.

The usual annual business meeting of St. John's church, York, was held in the church at 3 p. m. Monday, April 8th, and was as well attended as usual. The various matters of business were transacted in a satisfactory and agreeable manner, the different statements of church, Woman's Auxiliary, Sunday School and Improvement work showing a healthy and harmonious state of church life. This should encourage the members of the congregation and their friends to make further progress.

The Auditors' Report and Statements showed a receipt of the following amounts during last year:

Payments by Woman's Auxiliary for parochial purposes	\$62 22
Payments on behalf of Sunday School.....	60 00
Balance in hands of S. S. Treasurer	13 00
Books for S. S. Library and Lessons.....	50 00
Ordinary and special collections.....	164 00
Received from Endowment Fund.....	350 00
Subscription to stipend from members.....	170 00
Cemetery.....	7 00
	\$876 22

The following officers were elected:—

John Bell—Clergyman's Warden
 Alex. Young—People's Warden.
 F. A. Nelles—Delegate to Synod.
 Dr. S. N. Davis—Vestry Clerk.
 W. H. Mellon, Dr. Davis, E. Thompson, and S. W. Nelles—Sidesmen
 Cemetery committee—Rector, Church wardens, F. A. Nelles and S. W. Nelles.

PORT MAITLAND AND SOUTH CAYUGA.

The Easter services were fairly well attended. At Christ's church on Easter day and at St. John's on the Sunday after Easter the communicants numbered the same, namely 28.

The accounts at the Easter Vestry Meetings showed a balance in hand. The wardens were re-appointed at both churches. Mr. John Bradford was elected delegate to the Synod for 3 years.

The storm of Saturday 20th, worked sad havoc to the Christ's church shed. This misfortune reminds with rather disagreeable force that "a stitch in time saves nine." since there is no doubt, that the storm would have had no ill effect had it not been for the faulty support to one of the front posts. Up it goes again, that's all!

The attendance both at the school houses and at church on the occasion of the visit of the Rev. F. W. Kennedy was very good; we are sure the addresses were listened to with pleasure and satisfaction. May the result be an increased interest in this great work of the church.

The month of May means Sunday School again. Let every pupil resolve that "over 20 Sundays" will be his or her record for this year.

BURIALS.

April 18th in Christ's church cemetery, Maria Splatt, Sr.

April 24th, at St. John's church and churchyard, James U. Crawford, aged 78 years.