

## THE CHURCH MONTHLY.

### HAGERSVILLE.

On Tuesday evening, Nov. 12th, the beautiful and impressive induction services, confirming by license of the Bishop of Niagara Rev. L. W. B. Broughall, M. A., to the rectorship of All Saints' church and formally placing him in charge of the parish, was carried out. The unfavorable weather prevented many from attending but nevertheless a fair sized congregation was present. Rev. Scudamore of York had charge of the induction ceremonies but associated with him were Rev. Thomas Motherwell of Dunnville, Rev. Mr. Bevan of Caledonia, and the former rector, Rev. P. L. Spencer of Jarvis. Shortly after eight o'clock the Bishop's representative, Rev. Mr. Broughall and the church wardens formed a group in the chancel and immediately after the solemn service began. Rev. Mr. Scudamore, representing the Bishop, said: "Brethren, we are here assembled together to induct the Rev. L. W. B. Broughall, M. A., as incumbent of this parish, he having been already instituted by the Bishop to the cure of souls." Then followed the reading of the "Declaration of Assent" to the Canons of the Provincial and Diocesan Synods by the minister to be inducted; the reading of the Bishop's license; the formal delivery of the keys of the church to the new incumbent, who in accepting them makes this promise: "I receive these keys of this House of God at your hands, as the pledges of my induction and of your reception of me as your appointed minister. And I, on my part, do promise, by God's help, to be a faithful shepherd over you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost;" the presentation of a Bible and Book of Common Prayer with the exhortation "Receive these books and let them be the rule of thy conduct in dispensing God's Holy Word, in leading the devotions of the people, in ministering the sacrament of Christ, and exercising the discipline of the church. And be thou in all things a pattern to the flock committed to thy care."

The service for the day with proper Psalms, special prayers and sermon followed, Rev. P. L. Spencer reading the First Lesson and Rev. Bevan, the Second Lesson. Rev. Thomas Motherwell preached the sermon from 1 Cor. 4:1-4.

He congratulated all concerned upon the happy manner in which the division of the parish had been carried out. Everyone was satisfied and he believed the change would prove a benefit to both parishes, to the clergy, the laity and to the church, though many sacrifices may be necessary. He traced the history of the church from its inception and referred to the great work it had done and was still doing throughout the world for the regeneration of mankind. In selecting young men for the ministry the Church of England demanded that they should be fitted for the work by careful preparation in the colleges, by passing various examinations and that during the probationary period they should display those qualities so essential for the success of their life work in promoting the cause of Christ. The sympathy and co-operation of the congregations was also essential and in this respect he gave the newly ordained rector and the members of All Saints' church much practical advice. He dwelt upon the necessity of the parishioners working in harmony with their clergyman, of the mistake in supposing that a rector should lord it over his people or that the congregation should regard him as their servant. Mutual consideration, mutual goodwill, and a due regard to the teachings of the Bible would bring about the most to be desired relations between the clergyman and his people and serve best to advance the interests of the church and of Him whom it represents. The choir furnished appropriate music.

On Wednesday evening, November 13th, a meeting was held at the residence of David Almas, Sr., at which it was unanimously decided to organize a Parish Guild, the objects of which should be social intercourse, mutual improvement and parish work. The following Monday at the residence of Joseph Wilson this Guild was duly organized. Officers were elected and a constitution adopted. The regular course of meetings was begun on the 25th by a social evening. After the arrangements for the children's Xmas tree to be held on the 26th inst. were discussed, a very happy evening was spent in social intercourse.