

THE CHURCH MONTHLY

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being the reading and study of a part of the first chapter of the Acts in Greek, the consideration of some of the rubrics in the Communion Office, and the appointment of a deputation of speakers for the annual missionary services. The invitation of Rev. Wm. Bevan to hold the next meeting in Caledonia was accepted, the date to be Feb. 5th and 6th. Rev. Arthur Francis, Rev. P. L. Spencer, and the Rural Dean were chosen to speak at the evening service

on Feb. 6th, their subjects being respectively: the Church's duty towards missions at the beginning of the 20th century, the success of missions during the 19th century, and the plans and methods to be adopted during the 20th century.

Two hundred and fifty copies of the CHURCH MONTHLY have been ordered from England to be localized as the Deanery Magazine for 1901.

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Port Maitland and South Cayuga.

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The free entertainment given in the Marshall school house, on Monday evening, 5th inst., by the Literary Society for the purpose of selling their autograph quilt was well attended. After the short but interesting programme had been gone through with, Mr. W. R. Docker, in the absence of the expected "regular practitioner," acted as auctioneer. Mr. James Lyons was the purchaser. The \$5.25 realized by the sale, brings the total amount made by this means up to \$70.55.

There was a fair attendance at the meeting on the 12th, at Mrs. J. Blott's; but owing to the bad roads there was not a quorum present on the 26th, at Mr. T. Blott's. The programme for this meeting will be held over for the next one on the 10th at the same place.

The elected officers of the society for the year are Vice-President, Mr. Frank Ramsey; Secretary, Miss Emma Docker; Treasurer, Mr. Geo. Ramsey. The Committee, elected half-yearly, are Misses C. T. Docker, T. J. Logan, Connie Bate, Helen Blott and Mr. Henry Bate.

The incumbent has received a letter from the Rev. Geo. Holmes, Lesser Slave Lake, Athabaska, acknowledging the receipt of the bale sent by the St. John's W. A., and expressing gratitude on behalf of himself and staff for the very useful articles sent out in the bale. We understand that Mrs. Holmes had before this written to Miss Agnes Docker thanking the Christ Church branch for their bale. From the report enclosed by Mr. Holmes in his letter we learn that with the new addition to their buildings they will be able to accommodate

40 boys and girls in the Home this winter. Providing for this number is no easy matter, and all may feel sure that help sent in money or kind will be put to some good use.

Bad weather has interfered with all but one of the W. A. meetings for November, and the condition of the roads or the absence of their men folks at the polls made the attendance rather small at that one. It was held at Mrs. W. Patton's; three members and some visitors were present. In the absence of the President and Vice-President the incumbent presided.

BURIAL.

Nov. 9th, at St. John's church and churchyard, John Stephens, aged 39 years.

Mr. Stephens' sudden death from typhoid was a shock to the people of the parish. His widow, with her large family of children, has the sympathy of the community generally. The A.O.U.W. society of which the deceased was a member took charge of the funeral arrangements.

The service on Christmas Day will be held this year at Christ's church, at 11 a. m. The heads of every family should seek to so arrange their domestic duties and family festivities of that day, that they themselves with their households may attend the public worship of the Saviour of the world on the festival that commemorates His birth.

The children's Christmas treat in connection with Christ's Church Sunday School will be held on the 26th, that of St. John's on the 27th. The place and other particulars will be announced in church.