

THE CHURCH MONTHLY.

CALEDONIA.

On Sunday, January, 20th, the parish receive a visit from the Rural Dean, who conducted the services and preached, the Rev. Wm. Bevan being absent at South Cayuga, Port Maitland and Dunnville. The congregation throughly appreciated the excellent sermons of the Rural Dean.

The concluding days of January have been made sad by the news of the Queen's death. On Sunday, January 27th, the services were of a memorial character for the late Queen, and sermons were delivered on the life's work and noble character of our late beloved Sovereign. The congregations entered reverently and earnestly into the spirit of the services. The church had been draped in black by the ladies of the congregation, and completely harmonized with pervading emotions of the people. A solemn service of commemoration, as directed by the Lord Bishop, took place on Saturday, February 2nd, at 11 a. m.

This parish has sustained a great loss in the death of the late Richard Ince, Esq. He had been ill for some time, but was not thought so near his departure. "His end was peace."

On the 18th of December, 1900, Mr. George Avery and Miss Ellena May Ince were married. The service was performed by the rector of the parish. The young bride had the sympathy of the whole community on the unexpected death of her father but a few days after her marriage.

A "Ladies' Guild" has just been formed. The ladies are most enthusiastic, and are all heartily working in connection with their new society.

PORT MAITLAND & SOUTH CAYUGA.

A brass plate bearing the inscription "Given by the congregation to mark the close of the 19th Century," was affixed to the pulpit desk in St. John's church before the first Sunday in the New Year and Century.

In accordance with the arrangement made at the last Deanery meeting for the annual Missionary address, the Rev. W. Bevan of Caledonia conducted the services on Sunday, Jan. 20th, and was at Dunnville in the evening. Mr. Francis officiated at York in a similar capacity on the same Sunday, and at Nanticoke and Cheapside on the following one.

Each branch of the Women's Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting and two sewing meetings during January. The February monthly

meetings will be held on the 6th and 7th, when arrangements will be made for the annual meetings. It is hoped that every member of the society will endeavour to attend the latter.

The collectors for the "Apportionment Fund" will make their house to house visitation some time during the next few weeks. The amount "apportioned" by the Synod to this parish is \$50 (\$25 from each congregation). The collections in church during the year for the four objects included in the fund have been as follows :

	ST. J.	C. C.
May 27th, Algoma & N. W. Missions	\$4.62	\$2.07
Sept. 9th, W. & O. Fund	3.45	3.50
Dec. 2nd, Div. Students' Fund	50	50
Jan. 20th, Diocesan Missions	3.00	2.55
Totals	\$11.57	\$8.62

Subtracting each of these sums from \$25, it will be readily seen that \$13.43 and \$16.38 are the minimum amounts to be raised by the house to house collection in order that we may meet our apportionment. It would be appropriate—not to say just and fair—that those who were not at church on the Sundays mentioned, and thus gave nothing through the offertory, should think of this when visited by the collectors, and make their contribution through this channel such as to make up for the neglect of the other one.

DUNNVILLE.

One of the parishes within the Deanery of Haldimand of which little has been seen in the pages of this magazine is St. Paul's, Dunnville. For the benefit of those readers who may be interested in our welfare we may state that many things have been happening within the last few weeks that show a good deal of life in the church, and a pleasing degree of interest on the part of many of its members in its work. This will be evident if you will allow me to go back over a few weeks and trace in brief outline a few of the more prominent events.

1st—In October the Bishop was here, and confirmed 16 in their baptismal vows. This was within a year of his former visit for a similar purpose.

2nd—In November a Junior branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was organized, and became at once a flourishing society of some 23 members. With a good deal of enthusiasm they commenced their duties, and seeking first how they might be of service to their own parish they decided to pre-