

Jarvis and Hagersville.

On Christmas Day early Communion was celebrated in St. Paul's Church, and the full morning service with holy Communion was given at a later hour. The communicants numbered 40. Service at Hagersville was held at 2 p. m., the communicants numbering 17. The attendance at all services was disappointing. No doubt the extremely rough state of the frozen roads was considered by the rural parishioners a sufficient excuse for non-attendance. If, however, the clergyman could go six miles, surely the people should have gone or come half that distance. Business or an election would not have kept them at home. To those who were present and who kindly and affectionately remembered their pastor by their offerings, the incumbent returns his very sincere and earnest thanks.

On the evening of the 28th, the S. S. children of St. Paul's church, with their teachers, enjoyed together in Music Hall tea and entertainment, some of the parents being in attendance and participating in the enjoyment. The evening was very pleasantly spent, both old and young feeling glad to be present. The intention had been to have as the chief feature of the entertainment the singing of songs by a young lady of Toronto, but the unexpected sickness of this young lady's mother necessitated the omission of this part of the programme. This disappointment was keenly felt both in Hagersville and in Jarvis, for both S. Schools were hoping for this treat. Perhaps at another time the pleasure may be realized.

On Sunday, the 30th, Sergeant Edward Kelly was present at the service in All Saints' Church, at which he joined with the congregation in returning thanks to Almighty God for having bought him back to his home and friends from S. Africa. Rev. P. L. Spencer, although informed of Sergeant Kelly's wish and intention, only a few minutes before the beginning of the service, delivered a very appropriate address. The service was extremely impressive from beginning to end, being as much as possible adapted to the circumstances of the occasion.

BURIALS.

On Dec. 18th, in St. Paul's cemetery. William Peterson, aged 75 years.

On Dec. 23rd, in the family vault in St. Paul's cemetery, Mary E. Jones, aged 74 years.

These two persons had long lived in the parish. They were well known and highly regarded. They were removed from their earthly sphere, in the one case by prolonged sickness, in the other by a sudden visitation. "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."



Port Maitland and South Cayuga.

BAPTISM.

Dec. 9th, John Angus, infant child of John and Victoria Stephens, born Nov. 3rd, 1910. Sponsors Samson and Jessie Stephens.

We have to chronicle this month the departure from the parish of Miss Byers, who for the past three years has taught the Port Maitland school. Miss Byers has been such a useful, cheerful worker that she will be very much missed by the Christ's Church congregation. On her last Sunday with us (Dec. 14th) she was presented after service with a handsome Oxford Bible as a slight token of regard and memento of her stay among us.

Willing Workers assembled on Thursday evening, Dec. 20th, at Mrs. Docker's and Mr. Taylor's to make the decorations for Christmas. Cedar was used at Christ's Church this year instead of juniper, and the effect was very pleasing.

The congregation at Christ's Church on Christmas morning numbered 40, and there were 19 communicants. This attendance is not an adequate representation of the congregation when the significance of the day is considered. The incumbent desires to express his thanks for the customary Christmas offering presented to him amounting at the two churches to over eighteen dollars.

On the day after Christmas Mr. Francis journeyed to Marshville (returning in time for the Christmas Tree at Mr. Thomas Docker's in the evening) his errand being an interesting one—to join in holy matrimony two former residents of this parish, Mr. Reginald Docker and Miss Birdie Bate. The wedding was held in Christ's Church, Marshville, in the presence of a large and reverent congregation, the rector, Rev. Alfred Bonny, assisting in the service. A wedding breakfast was held at the home of the bride's parents afterwards—the whole affair passing off most pleasantly. Their many friends in this parish will join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Docker every happiness and blessing in their married life.