

THE HALDIMAND DEANERY MAGAZINE.

Remember the Deanery meeting service on the evening of the 9th inst. There will be a large attendance of the clergy, three speaking on the Lord's Day, as it concerns Rest, Recreation, and Worship.

PORTMAITLAND AND SOUTH GAYUGA.

During November bad weather interfered with one meeting each of the two young People's Societies. On Tuesday, 11th, a showery evening kept at home all but a few members from Mr. John Bradford's. A pleasant evening was, however, spent by the few. On the 17th, no one went to Mr. Wickerson's, the rain not coming in light little showers that evening.

The meeting of the St. John's Church Society at Mr. Kohler's on the 3rd, was fairly well attended. A brief, but bright, programme was rendered, and the officers for the ensuing year were elected:—Vice-Pres, Henry Bate; Treas. Geo. Ramsey; Secretary, Miss Counie Bate.

Meetings, large and lively, of the Christ Church society took place at Mr. H. King's Sr. on the 4th, a social meeting, and at Mr. F. Splatt's on the 25th, when the "Diocese of Niagara" was the subject studied. Messrs. J. Bradford, S. Hornibrook, H. Docker and the President taking part. At the close the President exhibited a blue-print map of the Diocese, the work of Rev. P. L. Spencer, Jarvis, announcing that he had copies for sale at 25c. each. The map would make an excellent Christmas present, and suitably framed would be a unique ornament for the wall of a room.

The Rev. J. Francis, B. D., of Hamilton, preached at both churches on Sunday 9th.

The offerings of the Sunday Schools for St. Peter's mission, Lesser Slave Lake, amount to \$3.35; Christ's Church S. S. \$4.25; St. John's, \$5.10.

The services on Christmas Day will be at St. John's Church, 11 a. m. (Holy Communion), and at Christ's church 3 p. m. The Christmas communion at Christ's church will be on the Sunday after Christmas, Dec. 28th.

BAPTISMS.

At Christ's church, Port Maitland, on Sunday, Oct. 19th, 1902., Helen Constance, infant daughter of Fred E. and Frances T. D. Britton, born Sept. 6th, 1902.

At the parents' home, Moulton, on Oct. 31st, William Robert, Son of William and Isabel Hall, born 12th May, 1902.

At Stromness on Friday, Oct. 31st, Wilbert E. C. Sullivan, born 17th July 1902.

At Christ's Church, on Sunday, Nov. 2nd Vera May, daughter of Edward and Nellie B. Martin, born 31st May, 1903; and Abraham,

son of Abraham and Verta C. Diette, born 21st Aug, 1901.

HAGERSVILLE.

The ladies of the All Saints' Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary have packed and shipped a bale of useful and pleasing articles, valued at \$44.00, to the missionary at Onion Lake Mission in the Diocese of Calgary and Saskatchewan. The contents of the bale comprise, quilts, groceries, clothing, cakes, dolls, and home-made candy. It might be mentioned that the dolls were dressed by the Mission Band, which is composed of young children who have met once a week for this purpose under the superintendence of Miss Seymour and Miss Almas.

The first year of the existence of our branch of the Woman's Auxiliary is drawing to a close. During this time noble work has been done by the ladies both in assisting our own parish and in helping others. Among the undertakings two eminently successful bazaars have been held under the auspices of W. A. and the valuable bale mentioned above has been provided and despatched.

The services on Christmas day will be Holy Communion at 8 o'clock and Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 10.30 a. m. We have two celebrations of the Holy Communion on that day to give every communicant an opportunity of being present at the Lord's Table on this great festival of the church.

The children are practising regularly for their annual entertainment, which will take place (D. V.) on Monday evening, Dec. 29.

We regret to be obliged to record the death of one of our oldest parishioners, Mr. James Howard, who entered into rest on the night of the 2nd of Dec. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Howard. "The Lord is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

CALEDONIA.

A very impressive service was held in St. Paul's church on the evening of Wednesday, the 19th of Nov., when Rev. J. K. Godden, M.A., was inducted into the incumbency by Rural Dean Scudamore, assisted by Rev. L. W. B. Broughall, Rev. Arthur Francis, and Rev. P. L. Spencer. The rural dean preached an instructive sermon from the text, "What mean ye by this service?" The attendance of parishioners and others was large, and all seemed deeply interested. The choir very ably led the congregation in the musical parts of the service besides singing an appropriate anthem.

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