

"Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ."—GAL. vi, 2.



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Baptism.—Second Sunday in month, at 4 p.m.

Young Men's Association meets first Tuesday in each month, at 8 p.m.

C. E. T. S., last Monday in month in School Room, at 8 p.m.

Bible Class, every Sunday afternoon, in the Church, at 3.15 o'clock.

PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms.

MACMURCHY.—John Donald, son of John Donald and Mary Louise MacMurphy, born 15th July, 1891; baptized at St. Paul's Church 9th September, 1891.

BELL.—Laura Alvina, Daughter of Henry and Margaret Bell, born 22nd June, 1891; baptized at St. Paul's Church 13th September, 1891.

DEAN.—Lilian Elise Weller, daughter of Henry Bogart and Eliza Dean, born 9th March, 1891; baptized at St. Paul's Church 20th September, 1891.

MARSHALL.—Maggie, daughter of Robert and Kate Marshall, born 7th August, 1891; baptized 20th September, 1891.

JACKSON.—Annie Maud Augusta, daughter of Henry and Louisa Jackson, born 3rd July, 1890; baptized 15th October, 1891.

SHEPPARD.—Zoe Zoereina and William Douglass, twin children of Frederick and Annie Sheppard, born 4th October, 1891; baptized 27th October, 1891.

Marriages.

MARTIN—KNOWLSON.—At St. Paul's Church, Lindsay, on August 5th, 1891, by the Venerable Archdeacon Allen, M. A., of Millbrook, assisted by the Rev. Wilson McCann, B. A., of Lindsay, George Ellsworth Martin, to Ella Knowlson, all of Lindsay.

Burials.

BALDWIN.—On 18th September, 1891, at Riverside Cemetery, Henry Baldwin, aged 50 years.

JACKSON.—On 24th September, 1891, at Riverside Cemetery, Henry Jackson, of Ops, aged 71 years.

CHESTER.—On 28th September, 1891, at Riverside Cemetery, Edward Harrison Chester, of Campbellford, aged 47 years.

INGLES.—On 12th October, 1891, at Riverside Cemetery, Charlotte Ingles, aged 80 years.

KENNY.—On 18th October, 1891, at Riverside Cemetery, Mary Lee Lucia Kenny, wife of Wm. Kenny, V. S., aged 35 years.

JEWETT.—On 23rd October, 1891, at Riverside Cemetery, Francis Jewett, aged 35 years.

CHURCH NOTES.

The Women's Auxiliary, the Young Ladies' Sewing class, and the Little Girls' Sewing Class, talk of holding, jointly, a small sale and social, shortly before Christmas, to dispose of the work

left from their spring and summer sales. Further notice will be given when the arrangements are completed.

The PARISH MAGAZINE is a good medium for advertisers, as it is generally kept or handed over to another family.

The Little Girl's Sewing Class has begun work for the winter, and meets each Saturday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. Soanes.

Service is held every Sunday afternoon at Currin's school house, about 5 miles north-east of Lindsay. We ask your prayers that God may make these services a blessing to many.

Some few have not yet paid their annual subscription to the PARISH MAGAZINE. Will they kindly hand it either to the young lady who secured their name, or to Mr. Patrick, or one of the clergy.

A five dollar bill was given to the rector to send back to help a struggling parish north of us by a member of our church who had sold a part of his produce for more than he expected, thereby giving a thank-offering to God, from whom cometh every good gift. Might not many of us make thank-offerings to God for the blessings we receive?

On Thursday, November 12th, Thanksgiving Day, there will be service (D, V), in St. Paul's Church at 11 a. m., with a collection for Diocesan Missions. We have a great deal to be thankful for this year, so let us join with our fellow Canadians, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and as a people thank God, who has blessed us with such an abundant harvest.

The Sunday school lost an active worker by the removal of Mr. Percy Soanes to Toronto. For some three years he had been librarian, and had done his duty faithfully and well. We wish him God's richest blessing in his studies at Wycliffe College, and trust that in due time he may be sent forth and prove himself a faithful and able ambassador of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Bishop of the Diocese visited Lindsay, on Thursday, October, 29th and administered the apostolic rite of confirmation. There was a large congregation present at the service, and forty-five were admitted as members of our church, and renewed the promises made for them when they were baptized. We thank God for leading them to take this step, and gladly welcome them into full membership with our branch of the Church of Christ. We would ask all lovers of our Lord and Master to pray that they may be kept abiding in Him, and faithful and valiant soldiers, fighting manfully under His banner against the world, the flesh and the devil.

The P. M. A. missionary collections for the last month were \$10.20.

The collection for the Widows' and Orphans' fund taken up in October amounted to \$21.58, being considerably less than was asked for.

The Women's Auxiliary have resumed their weekly sewing meetings, on Thursday afternoons, beginning at 2 o'clock, in the school house. They are at present working to fill a bale, which they hope to send by the beginning of December, to some of the needy Indians in the North-west. They earnestly ask for a large attendance. The numbers who come each week are sadly small to what they might be. Will not every lady in the congregation seriously consider the subject and give a little more of her time and interest to those less favored than herself?

We hope to begin our New Year by putting a cover on our parish paper every month instead of quarterly as heretofore. So ask the secretaries of the different organizations, in connection with our church, to give us short accounts of their work month by month. We regret that we will have to increase the subscription of the paper from 35cts. to 40cts. a year, for while it has paid its way this year, in putting a cover on every month there will be extra expense, and then when we send to outside places, as the price of the inside is 25cts, and 12cts. for postage, there is a loss at only 35cts. We feel sure that few, if any, of our subscribers will begrudge the extra 5cts. annually. Our paper now goes into more than one hundred homes, and we hope at the beginning of the year to double that number, so ask our friends to help us.

On Sunday, Nov. 1st, Harvest Thanksgiving services were held; the church was tastefully and beautifully decorated, thanks to the labors of a number of our ladies. The music and singing were of such a bright and joyous character as to draw out our praises to the Giver of all good. Special prayers appointed for the occasion were used, and we trust that many hearts went out in thankfulness to God, who has so blessed us with, perhaps, the most abundant harvest that we have had for years.

How appropriate seem the words of the Psalmist which we sang in the evening chant: "Let the people praise Thee, O God, yea, let all the people praise Thee; then shall the earth bring forth her increase and God, even our own God, shall give us His blessing. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear Him."

Another and pleasing feature of the day was that the majority of the newly confirmed

partook of their first communion with many of their friends and fellow churchmen, either after the morning or evening services. In the morning 86 remained to partake of the memorials of the love of our risen Lord, and in the evening 43 more, making 129, the largest total in one day during the present incumbency. To God be all the glory, and to us be all the good; and may many more be led to "do this in remembrance" of Christ and present themselves a living sacrifice to live for Him, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service.

The Church of England Temperance Society held their October meeting in the school room on the evening of the 26th ult, with a large attendance which, considering the other attractions of the evening, speaks well for the society. The following programme was rendered: Reading, Miss Flosie Soanes; song, Mr. Podger; recitation, Miss Brown; song, Mr. Petty. They were heartily encored, and when all did so well it would be difficult to make any remarks on any one. The Rev Canon Green, of Orillia, then gave a most interesting and instructive address on temperance work, which was listened to throughout with great interest by the audience, which was composed largely of ladies and young people. It is to be regretted that more men do not attend these meetings, which are of such vital interest to the community. One new member was added to the roll.

The Christian Philosopher and the Infidel.

BY H. D.

Sir Isaac Newton was a great philosopher. He wrote many learned works on natural science and has ever since been regarded as a most reliable authority. He was also a devout and humble-minded Christian, and he also wrote a work on the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation. In this work he makes this singular remark, "If these prophecies were true it would be necessary that a new mode of travelling should be invented. The knowledge of mankind would be so increased before a certain date or time terminated, namely, one-thousand-two-hundred and sixty years, that they would be able to travel fifty miles an hour." Now as he wrote these words more than one-hundred and fifty years before railroads and steamboats were known, they were considered very bold words. Voltaire, a French infidel of great fame, got hold of these words and said, "Now look at the mighty mind of Newton, who discovered gravitation! When he became an old man and got into his dotage he began to study the book called the Bible, and it seems in order to credit its fabulous nonsense we must believe that the

knowledge of mankind will be so increased that we shall be able to travel at fifty miles an hour. The poor dotard!"

The self complacency of this infidel made his friends laugh immoderately at the expense of the Christian philosopher. But what has time revealed? Less than two hundred years after Newton wrote his bold words the knowledge of mankind has so increased that daily between London and Liverpool travellers go more than fifty miles an hour, and so in many other places. Now which was the dotard—the Christian philosopher or the scoffing infidel?

Judging Ministers.

There are some sad mistakes made in judging ministers. The following from an exchange is an illustration: "One of the most gifted and consecrated ministers we ever knew went without a charge for years because some people said he had not sufficient capacity for 'leadership.' It is true that he did not give his time very largely to organizing 'societies' and superintending 'committees' among his congregations. He by no means neglected practical details, but they were not his chief interest. What he did do with a power seldom equalled was to upbuild and stimulate the spiritual life. All who listened to his preaching and came within the influence of his character received an impulse to purity and Christliness that was of incalculable benefit. And yet he made no sensation and had no great numerical and popular success. His church was not an ecclesiastical workshop perpetually resounding with the whirr of religious machinery. But, after all, is there any ministry, in the best and highest sense, more important than that performed by men of this sort?"—*Selected.*

"For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined into our hearts"—(11. Cor. 4-6). Suppose you were in a dark room in the morning, the shutters closed and fastened, and only as much light coming through the chinks as made you aware it was day outside. And suppose you should say to a companion with you, "Let us open the windows, and let in the light." What would you think if he replied, "No, no, you must first put the darkness out, or the light will not enter?" You would laugh at his absurdity. Just so, we cannot put sin out of our hearts to prepare for Christ's entering; we must open and take Him in, and sin will flee. Fling the window open at once, and let Christ shine in.—*Advocate and Guardian.*

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