

NAPANEE.—St. Mary Magdalene.—At the annual Easter vestry meeting the Ven. Archdeacon presided. The Treasurer's report showed that some old outstanding liabilities had all been paid, new furnaces were put into the church and the church debt reduced. Mr. Walter Gurren was appointed warden by the rector, Mr. Fred Bartlett was elected people's warden and Mr. R. G. Wright was re-elected delegate to the Synod. Votes of thanks were passed thanking the churchwardens, the choir, the Ladies' Aid Society and the Ven. Archdeacon for their valuable services during the past year.

ADOLPHUSTOWN.—The Building Committee of the U. E. T. Memorial Church met at the Rectory, on Thursday, the 25th ult. In the absence of the Ven. Archdeacon of Kingston, Chairman, the Rector took the Chair. The architect, Jos. Power, Esq., submitted his designs for finishing the church, which were examined and approved. It was then moved by J. J. Watson and seconded by S. M. Outwater "that the Church be completed externally and internally this season." All present agreed to this resolution. The question of selecting tenders was left to the discretion of the architect. The chairman reported that so far he had received thirty-one orders for Murial Tablets to be placed in the wall in memory of prominent loyalists and that more orders were coming in. He also stated that several stained glass memorial windows had been promised, and that the children of the parish were collecting money for a marble font. The Building Committee in deciding to complete their labor of love rely on the subscribers to pay up when the work goes on, and also on help from friends of the undertaking.

ODESSA.—The annual Easter vestry meeting of the church was held at Beaver Hall on Monday, April 22nd, to receive the churchwardens' Report, and for transaction of other business. Mr. Arnold P. Booth acting as Secretary. After having made the members of the vestry acquainted with the year's work, the Rev. Mr. Quartermain then thanked those who were so kind to contribute towards paying for the hire of a horse in which to enable him to do his work when first here, and to those gentlemen who were instrumental in obtaining for him a set of harness, etc. He stated that during the time he had been here he had received very many deeds of kindness from various members of the congregation and others, for which he assured them that both Mrs. Quartermain and himself were deeply thankful; he also thanked the Ladies' Society of the church for their willingness to help pay his first half year's rent. Mr. Harvey Shaw was unanimously elected people's warden, and also Lay Delegate, Mr. R. Bennett being elected by the clergyman. The auditors for the ensuing year being Messrs. Arnold P. Booth and T. Milsap. Votes of thanks were given to the retiring churchwardens, and to Dr. Booth for the use of the hall, and also to Messrs. J. A. Timmerman and R. Preston for acting as auditors for the past year.

BATH.—St. John's Church.—This venerable edifice looked its best on Easter Sunday, and the services were unusually bright and hearty as well as well attended. The choir was in all force and rendered their hymns and chants under the leadership of Mr. Hart, the organist, with excellent taste and devotional effect. The altar was brilliant with flowers of many hues, symbols of the Resurrection, loaned, some by members of the congregation and some by members of the various other religious bodies. The attendance at the Holy Communion was considered by many to be the largest seen in this church for a great number of years. The annual Easter meeting on Monday, passed off quietly, and the churchwardens' account revealed a state of things little expected by many, namely, that the church was perfectly solvent and in a good financial position to enter upon another year's work. Dr. Kennedy was reappointed clergyman's warden and Councillor Bain unanimously elected by the people, M. C. Davy, Esq., who held this position last year preferring to decline nomination. Messrs. F. W. Howard, J. M. Wemp, Charles Davy, and Octon Howard were appointed sidesmen. On Easter Tuesday evening a most successful social under the auspices of the twenty minutes society, was held at the residence of M. C. Davy, Esq.

TORONTO.

STOUFFVILLE.—The Easter meeting was very satisfactory, officers: minister's warden, S. H. Silvester; people's warden, J. Breule; sidesmen, Messrs. Wagg, Covington, Rowden and Minns. Lay representative, S. H. Silvester.

TORONTO.—St. Alban's Cathedral.—At a recent meeting of the chapter it was announced that the Theo-

logical Library of the late Canon Stennett had been presented to the cathedral. These, with books previously given for the same purpose, constitute a nucleus of some 700 or 800 volumes towards the formation of a Cathedral Library. It was also stated that other gifts of books had been promised to be made as soon as a place in the cathedral building should be prepared for their reception. The Building Committee intend providing a place for that purpose as soon as the chancel and choir are roofed in.

MARKHAM.—Easter Services.—The choir had been practising diligently for some time, and the services were well rendered. The Anthem, a feature of the evening service, was opened by Mr. J. Lowrey with a bass solo, followed by Mrs. Birchall in a treble solo, and the third solo, treble also, was rendered by Miss Mairs, the choir taking the choruses. There were large congregations at both services, and the Holy Communion was administered to 45 communicants. While this number is double that of an ordinary celebration, we look for a larger attendance with a deeper spiritual life. The addresses by the Incumbent were appropriate to the season. The church was beautiful with flowers, tastefully arranged by the ladies.

The Easter meeting was very harmonious, the following officers were elected: minister's warden, G. W. Reesor; people's warden, T. Hook; sidesmen, Dr. Robinson, W. Rolph, W. Williamson, J. Elliott, G. Nicholson, and J. Lowrey. Lay representatives, F. A. Ressor, B. A., and J. Tran.

Holy Week was well observed, and the service on Good Friday, especially, was well attended, 120 being present. Mrs. Mairs, Mrs. Birchall, and Mr. Lowrey sang "The Reproaches."

During the winter, Advent to Easter, Bible classes have been held, began with 10, increased to 36, and closed with 25 present.

NIAGARA.

TOTTENHAM.—Quite a gloom was cast over this village and neighbourhood by the sudden death of Mrs. Aitkin mother of the Manager of the Bank of Hamilton here, which took place on Palm Sunday, the 14th inst. The deceased lady was an earnest Church-worker, and her loss will be severely felt by the congregation here. The funeral service was performed by the late Incumbent, Rural Dean Bell, in the church which she so nobly helped to build, and was attended by a large number, although at the early hour of 7 a.m., previous to the removal of the remains to Hamilton for interment.

PALMERSTON.—St. Paul's Church.—Just before Easter, the interior of this church was painted and improved at considerable expense, and now it is decidedly attractive and like a place of worship. In fact, I know of no church, either large or small that is more so. Among other improvements and additions are new frontals for reading desk, lectern, and pulpit. These are made of fine material, and artistically embroidered with gold thread. The one for the reading desk has a vine worked round it; the one for the lectern has the Christian monogram I.H.S. emblazoned in the centre; and the one for the pulpit has the monogram surmounted by a crown and encircled by the words "Christ our Passover." The work on these was done entirely by Miss Annie Alexander, who presented them as an Easter offering.

ST. CATHARINES.—St. George's Church.—The Easter services at this church were of a very high order and were well sustained and well attended throughout the day. The floral decorations were very chaste, consisting very largely of growing plants, though abundance of cut flowers were not wanting. Easter and Calla lilies predominating, two ladies having sent especially to Toronto for Easter lilies and roses.

The large floral cross which usually has its place on the altar from Eastertide until late in the Fall has been displaced this year by a very handsome brass Memorial Cross, standing about 36 inches in height which has recently been presented to the church by Mrs. Holland, in memory of her husband, the Rev. H. Holland, B.A., late Rector of St. Catharines. The Cross is encircled by the Crown and each arm ends in an embossed crown; at the point of intersection is a large crystal signifying the perfect purity of Christ; 5 amethysts, 4 upon the circle and 1 at the place of the feet denote the five wounds of Christ and immediately at the foot of the Cross and round the apex of the base are four small crystals signifying the means of worthy access to the Holy Communion, Repentance, Faith, Gratitude, and Charity; while around the base itself, which is circular, runs the inscription, "In loving memory of Henry Holland, Priest, who entered into rest January, 9th, 1888. It is a most suitable memorial of a most worthy and devoted Priest, and a very appropriate addition to the chaste appointments of the Sanctuary wherein he ministered for twenty-one years.

The services of the day were celebration at 8 a.m. and Matins and celebration at 11 a.m., one hundred and sixty-eight members communicating at the two services and ten more on Easter Monday and Tuesday. In the afternoon the children's festival was held at 4 p.m., the service of song being "the Heavenly King," the Rector giving the narrative of the Resurrection and catechising the children; as he had on Good Friday told them the story of the Crucifixion with questions and answers. Evensong at 7 p.m. was again largely attended, the choir rendering all the music most effectively in "psalms and spiritual songs," it being a pleasure to hear the chanting of the Psalms again after the sober 'saying' of the Lenten season—a great deal of credit is due to the organist, Mr. Chas. C. Hampshire for the thoroughness of the work done by the choir and the pleasing manner in which the music was rendered, most of it being of such congregational nature that it was readily joined in by the people, as all Church music should be, and more particularly at the festival seasons.

The annual vestry meeting was very well attended on Easter Monday, the churchwardens bringing in such a satisfactory report that an adjournment was decided on in order to consider and thoughtfully discuss prospects for still further enlarging the usefulness and influence of St. George's Church by an increased expenditure.

GUELPH.—On Thursday evening of last week over one hundred members of the Bible Association and a large number of the prominent members and others of the congregation assembled in the school house to bid farewell to the Rev. Geo. A. Harvey, and present him the following address, which was read by Dr. Lett, after a few kindly expressions of regret at Mr. Harvey's leaving.

To the Rev. Geo. A. Harvey:

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—We, the undersigned members of St. George's church and of the Bible Association in connection therewith, wish to tell you how truly sorry we are to hear of your determination to sever your connection with this church, and to leave Guelph. We are sensible of the faithfulness and zeal with which you have always discharged your duties as curate here, and we desire to make particular mention of the earnestness and success of your labours amongst the poor of this parish, whose interests have ever been the object of your thoughtful care and attention, and who have derived both spiritual and material benefit from your ministrations to them. One grand result of your zealous work, in the outlying portions of this parish, is recognized in the foundation of two congregations of church people in those missions, known as the Brooklyn and Waterloo avenue missions. These members of the church, so zealously sought out and watched over by you, will miss you greatly, and be assured, dear sir, that they unite with us in earnest prayer for your success in the distant land which you have chosen for your future work. We feel that you should not be allowed to leave this parish in which you have done so much good without some recognition of the esteem in which you are held by all as a faithful minister of Christ, and in taking an affectionate leave of you, we ask you to accept the accompanying purse from your affectionate friend and parishners, represented by Stephen Lett, Geo. Burton, churchwardens; A. E. Smith, Secretary; W. P. Howard, Vice pres. Bible Association.

Mr. Harvey in a few earnest words replied. He said he felt quite unable to reply so unexpectedly to such an address as had just been read by Dr. Lett and the kindly and feeling expressions from Mr. Saunders. He had listened to both gentlemen with mingled feelings of regret and pleasure. With regret, because he found himself on the eve of separating himself from a congregation which he had ministered to for three years, the members of which he had dearly loved and watched over; and with pleasure, for the reason that he at last could see that the deep feelings of regard he had always entertained towards them, had been reflected in themselves.

HURON.

GLANWORTH.—The adjourned vestry meeting in connection with Christ church was held in the school room Monday evening, April 29th, and was largely attended. Efforts were made to liquidate the debt on the church building amounting to \$1200. with the very pleasing and satisfactory result of raising the whole amount. A vote of thanks was unanimously accorded by the vestry to Messrs. Hawkshaw, Mills, and Errington, the committee appointed to visit the members of the congregation, for working so heartily towards freeing the church from the incumbrance of debt. The church people of Glanworth are to be congratulated on the beauty of their sanctuary (costing \$5000) and on the spirit of liberality, union and concord which reigns in the parish. The church here is in a healthy and prosperous condition.