

Rev. W. J. Armitage, well known to many of our readers, has been appointed Rural Dean of Halifax

Mr. H. J. Nosworthy and Mr. Frank Nosworthy have both left town. We wish them every success in their new field of labour.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Langfeldt have been presented by the congregation of Christ Church, Omeme, with a beautiful China parlour cabinet and a Turkish drawing-room lantern.

On April 19th Miss Wilgress was set apart as a Deaconess at St. James' Cathedral, by the Bishop of Toronto, and on May 3rd started on her journey to St. Peter's Mission, McKenzie River diocese, where she is to be an honorary missionary, working with the Rev. T. J. Marsh and party. We trust continual prayer will go up for all our workers in the far north land.

Five bales were sent in April to the Hay River Mission, being filled with useful articles kindly contributed by the W.A. and other members and friends of St. Paul's church, some even being sent in by kind friends at Cambray. It will probably be the end of July or possibly September, before these reach their destination, but the kindly, loving gifts, for the work among the Indians, will be none the less appreciated for having come so far, and arriving so late.

The May meeting of the Young Men's Association was held at the home of Mr. C. A. Hooper, and although a wet evening there was a fair attendance, and a very pleasant and profitable time was spent. Mr. Leigh Knight and Mr. Fred Hopkins opened the discussion on "Why many men do not go to church," and gave a number of excuses commonly given by men who stay away from God's house. Short but minute addresses were given by most of the young men present, and the discussion proved most interesting and helpful. One new member was added to the roll, and all appreciated the thoughtful kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Hooper.

The annual vestry meeting was held on Easter Monday with only a fair attendance. After the opening service, and asking God's blessing upon the gathering, the Rector expressed thankfulness to the Giver of all good for His loving care and kindness during the year. He referred to the removal of the Rev. R. McNamara to Gageton, and regretted that the Rev. Geo. E. Lloyd was so soon to leave us for an important position in London, England. Mr. Billingsley was the only other church officer who had removed during the year, he having gone to Victoria Road. Services had been held regularly on Sundays and Wednesdays, and at other special times. The Holy Communion had been administered 16 times with an average attendance of 60. During the year 21 children and 4 adults were baptized. 46 persons were confirmed, eleven couples married and 19 people were buried, four being brought from without the parish, so a small death rate of 15, of these some like Mrs. Thos. Walters, Mrs. J. C. Armstrong and Mr. James Fee had been among our most regular worshippers, and will be much missed and mourned, but now we rejoice in the Easter message of the resurrection of the dead. The churchwardens' report was presented, a synopsis of which will be printed. Mr. Humphreys gave the report of the Sunday school, which contained much to encourage, but the need of more teachers was emphasized. The officers, whose names appear on the first page, were elected, and the meeting adjourned for three weeks.

Miss Shirley Beall has gone to Barrie, she will be missed from the church and Sunday school, but we trust she will be blessed and prospered in her new home.

We welcome Mr. Tuttle and Mr. Armstrong to Lindsay and St. Paul's, and hope to find them a strong acquisition to the church as well as the baseball team.

The congregations in St. Paul's on Easter Sunday were large, and we trust the worship deep and real. The church, owing to the kindly efforts of some of the ladies was beautifully adorned with flowers, and at little cost of money, as most of the plants were lent. The choir had carefully prepared the Easter music, and in most of it the people joined heartily. Some 137 gathered at the Lord's Table, morning or evening, and Mr. Lloyd gave his farewell sermon which we trust will be blessed to many. Thoughts of the risen Christ should be ever present with His followers, teaching them not only to worship Him in spirit and in truth, but also urging them on to do valiantly as co-workers together with Him.

St Paul's Church Collections, April, 1900.

	Envelopes	Loose	Total
Apr. 1	14.10	10.75	24.85
8	25.95	13.10	39.05
15	73.00	12.50	85.50
22	18.80	7.82	26.62
29	18.40	9.35	27.75
	<u>\$150.25</u>	<u>\$ 53.52</u>	<u>\$203.77</u>

Church Debt Fund - - - \$78 35

MISSIONS, ETC.

Sunday School, Hay River	-	00 87	
Superannuation Fund	-	00 80	
W. & O. Fund	-	00 35	
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Special appeal diocesan	-	\$11 50	
(Ops) house to house diocesan	-	5 00	
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Good Friday—London Society re Jews - - \$21 48
W. & O. Fund, additional - - - 1 00

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The annual Easter Report of the Wardens presented to the Vestry showed the following:

RECEIPTS—

Ordinary	-	-	\$2581 37
Special	-	-	480 09
Missions, etc	-	-	620 67
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			\$ 3682 13

EXPENDITURE—

Ordinary	-	-	\$2645 70
Special re Debt	-	-	332 76
Missions, etc	-	-	620 67
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			\$ 3599 13
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			\$83 00

A reduction of \$200 on the mortgage debt had been made leaving it now \$9400, and the floating debt was extinguished.