

The annual meeting of the Lindsay Branch of the Bible Society was held Jan. 24th, Judge Dean occupying the chair. Mr. J. H. Knight read the reports of both treasurer and secretary, which were encouraging. The officers for 1900 were elected, and the Rev. Herbert Symonds gave a very instructive and thoughtful address on "The Message of the Bible to the 20th Century." We wish many more had been present to listen to it.

The rector of Cavan some little time ago, set on foot a subscription for the payment of the debt on St. Thomas' church, Millbrook, on a ten years' scheme; that is, amount subscribed to be paid in equal annual instalments during ten years. The amount of debt is \$2450. In ten hours, portions of 3 days, the debt was covered by subscriptions, so cheerful and ready was the response of the people to the rector's appeal.

Anniversary services were held in Christ's Church, Baillieboro, in the parish of Cavan, on Sunday, Jan. 7th, and the following Sunday. An entertainment was also given in the same village on Tuesday, Jan. 9th, the sermons were preached by Ven. Archdeacon Allen and Rev. W. C. Allen on the 7th, and by Rev. John C. Davidson, rector of Peterboro, on Sunday, the 14th; offertory was \$85, proceeds of entertainment \$32; the total amount, \$117, was devoted to liquidation of church debt.

Some able speakers and devoted workers are to take part in the C. C. M. A. missionary conference at Wycliffe College, Toronto, (Feb 6-8) as Rev. J. A. Hickman, from China. Rev. John de Soyres, St. John, N. B., Revs. W. H. Wade, Hamilton; G. B. Sage, London; Dyson Hague, Canon Sheraton, Toronto, and others; and such laymen as Mr. N. W. Hoyles, Hon. S. H. Blake, Dr. Crawford, (London), Mr. H. W. Frost and others. May God use the meeting to the extension of His Kingdom.

The following taken from the Mail of Monday, Jan. 22nd, is interesting to many of us. We were surprised at the large number of church communicants in the first Canadian contingent, and now we rejoice to find many in the second "An historic church parade took place to day to St. Paul's. The part of the contingent remaining in Halifax marched to church, headed by the military bands. Dr. Courtney the bishop, was present, and service was conducted by Rev. J. W. Armitage and Rev. Leo Williams. Mr. Armitage preached a patriotic sermon, reminding the soldiers that St. Paul's church, more than 150 years built, was the first Protestant church in Canada, and that although many had worshipped there before leaving Canada to fight for the empire, none ever left to suffer defeat. The officers and men partook of communion, and the scene was most impressive.

The Ven. Archdeacon Allen, M. A., and Mrs. Allen, of Millbrook, kept the 50th anniversary of their marriage on Monday, Jan. 8th. About seventy of their parishioners and friends called upon them at the rectory expressing their congratulations and good wishes. We join with many throughout the archdeaconry in thankfulness to God for the good work done in this part of the vineyard by Archdeacon Allen, and pray that God may long spare him and his good wife to be ensamples to the flock, and fruitful in good works.

A Sunday school Christmas Tree was given to the scholars of Christ Church, Onemee, on Jan. 11th. There was a large attendance, a very pleasant program and short addresses by the Rector, Rural Dean and Presbyterian minister. The young people were delighted when Santa Claus arrived and distributed the many nice gifts.

The welcome of St. George's congregation, Cameron, at the home of Mr. J. Perrin, to the Rev. G. E. and Mrs. Lloyd was a hearty and joyous affair. Mr. Perrin occupied the chair, and with Messrs. Cook and Oakley, on behalf of the congregation, welcomed them to Cameron. The choir, Miss Maunier, Miss Beall and Miss Campbell, made up a pleasing program. Mr. Parkin, on behalf of the Methodists, was glad to welcome Mr. Lloyd, while Mr. Vance and Mr. Marsh expressed their earnest desire that God's work would grow and prosper and gladly welcomed the new worker. Mr. Lloyd seemed to much appreciate the kind reception, and we feel sure that God has rich blessing and earnest work for both pastor and people.

The annual meeting of the Church of England Temperance Society was held on Jan. 29th, in the schoolroom. Fairly satisfactory reports were given of the year's work; \$5 was voted to the church for use of light and heat at the meetings of the society. An interesting program was given and the following officers were elected: 1st Vice-Pres., Mr. J. H. Knight, I. P. S.; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mr. L. Archambault; 3rd Vice-Pres., Mr. M. H. Sison; Secretary, Mr. W. Vance; Treas., Miss S. E. Twamley; Organist, Miss Wingrove; Executive, Mrs. Goldie, Mrs. Soanes, Mrs. Milne, Misses Browne, B. Walters, Rev. Geo. E. Lloyd, Messrs R. Humphreys, Stoddard, E. E. W. McGaffey, Sergt. Major Martin. Mr. Lloyd gave an address on "Why I am an Abstainer," and we trust the coming year the work will be pushed with vigor. Why should there be drunkards in our midst?

On the evening of Jan. 11th a kindly and cordial welcome was extended to the Rev. G. E. and Mrs. Lloyd by the congregation of St. John's church, Cambray, at the home of Mr. E. P. Smith, V. S., who with Mrs. Smith, made all present realize the heartiness of their hospitality. After singing a hymn, and prayer for God's guidance on the work and workers, Mr. H. Fowler, in a few well chosen and appropriate words, welcomed Mr. Lloyd to the parish, assured him of the love of the congregation for the services of our church, and bid him God-speed in his work. Miss Fanning, Miss Beall, and Mrs. Wilkinson furnished the musical part of the program, the latter singing "Soldiers of the Queen", while Miss Wallace gave an interesting recitation. Mr. Vance, the Rural Dean, and the Ven. Archdeacon Allen all made short speeches, the latter especially welcoming Mr. Lloyd to this archdeaconry and giving words of wise counsel to all present. Mr. Lloyd replied in a happy way saying that a clergyman was not disappointed with a small congregation if all were present who ought to be, and promising, with their co-operation, to do his best to extend God's work in this part. Light refreshments, and a pleasant social time, with a closing hymn and benediction, concluded an evening that we feel sure will long be remembered and productive of good.