

St. Mark's.—Wardens—S. W. Black and F. Mingay. Delegates—Messrs. Cooper, Pettigrew, and Mason.

CARLTON.—*St. Mark's.*—Wardens—Messrs. Austin and Davidge.

St. Cyprian.—Wardens—L. J. Bland and Mr. Harman. Delegates—W. Smith, D. Drover and Mr. Prince.

Church of the Epiphany.—Wardens—T. F. Sharpe and Thos. McLean. Delegates—Messrs. Hutchinson, Boyce and Wilson.

Trinity Church.—Wardens—John Sanson and C. R. Cooper. Delegates—Geo. Stagg, Thos. McIlroy and E. W. Trent.

St. Saviour's.—Warden—Archie Hunter and Geo. Empringham.

CHESTER.—*St. Barnabas.*—Wardens—H. Talbot and H. R. Franklan. Delegate—Mr. Campbell.

St. Phillip's.—President William Stone, occupied the chair at an entertainment given in the school-house under the auspices of the Young People's Literary Society. The concert marked the close of a successful year for the society. A large audience listened to a well rendered programme. Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, curate, addressed the gathering.

St. Stephen's.—The Easter services in this church were in every respect the most beautiful and enjoyable in the annals of the parish. The day began with a celebration of Holy Communion at 6 a.m., followed by one at 7, one at 8.30, and a fourth at mid-day, after morning prayer, the number of communicants being in all upwards of 580. The church both at morning and evening service was crowded to its utmost capacity, which means that at each service close upon 1,000 people were gathered within its walls. The officiating clergy were the Rector, Rev. A. J. Broughall, his two sons, Revs. G. H. and J. S. Broughall, and the Curate, Rev. G. V. Stevenson. The services were choral, and the singing of the large surpliced choir, under the direction of the organist, Mr. M. de S. Wedd, left little to be desired, being marked by an unaffected reverence and absence of all ostentatious attempt at display quite characteristic. Besides the usual Easter hymns, a carol, "Let the Merry Church Bells Ring," and an anthem, "Now is Christ Risen from the Dead," were sung; the solo in the latter, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," being taken very sweetly and impressively by a young chorister of much promise. Three beautiful memorial windows placed in the chapel by one former and two present members of the congregation, were uncovered to view for the first time on Easter morning. A fourth Easter offering, also a memorial, was a very handsome brass alms-dish, a long felt want. The floral decorations were in keeping with the dignity of the place and the joyfulness of the occasion, and were much admired.

The Lord Bishop of Toronto will, D.V., hold his general ordination on Sunday, June 4th. Candidates for the diaconate or priesthood may procure copies of the Signis and Letters Testimonial by communicating with the examining chaplain, Rev. A. J. Broughall, St. Stephen's rectory, Toronto.

ISLINGTON.—At the last vestry meeting of St. George's church the following officers were chosen for the year:—Church wardens—John Strong and John Traplin; sidesmen—C. J. Musson, C. Beatty, T. W. Musson and F. A. Tier; delegates to Synod—Joseph Scott, Richard Evans and Thomas Ide; auditors—C. J. Musson and R. H. Evans.

NORWAY.—The annual vestry meeting of St. John's Church was held, the following officers being elected: Mr. Ira Bates, Rector's churchwarden, re-appointed; Mr. J. W. Millar, people's churchwarden, re-elected; Messrs. A. E. Nelson, E. A. Paget, S. H. Over and James Seal, sidesmen; Mr. Joseph Williams, jr., lay delegate; Mr. Spencer H. Over, vestry clerk, re-appointed. The new building is expected to be opened about the middle of next month.

PERRYTOWN.—The annual vestry meeting in connection with St. Paul's Church, Perrytown, was held on Easter Monday, 3rd inst., the incumbent, Rev. R. A. Rooney, being in the chair. The finances of the church were found to be in a healthy and satisfactory condition under the management of the faithful and energetic churchwardens, Messrs. Thos. and Reid Wilson. The officers appointed were: Clergyman's warden, re-appointed, Thos. Wilson; people's warden, re-elected, Reid Wilson; lay delegates to synod, Messrs. I. S. Wilson and Wm. B. Campbell. Mr. I. S. Wilson still continues vestry clerk, the duties of which he has faithfully performed for many years past. It was resolved at the meeting to have certain improvements done to the church, which, when effected, will materially contribute to the comfort of the congregation. I may add that the services in this church on Easter Day were well attended and very hearty; clergyman's text being Psalm lxxxviii. 10th verse: "Does God show wonders amongst the dead."

ETOBICOKE.—*St. George's.*—The annual vestry meeting of this parish was held on Easter Monday evening, the rector, Rev. H. O. Tremayne, in the chair. There was a fair attendance of members. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The rector's report showed a total of 139 services to have been held, with an average attendance at each Sunday service of 71.3, and each week day service of 32. Celebrations of Holy Communion 26; total communions made, 407. The Sunday-school was fairly prosperous and the teachers efficient and faithful workers in spite of many discouragements. The choir had during the year been faithful and painstaking and contributed in no small degree to the hearty rendering of the service. The churchwardens' report showed a small balance on hand after paying all expenses. The rector waived his right to nominate a warden, leaving the vestry to elect the two for the coming year. The former churchwardens, Messrs. R. H. Tier and R. Walker, declined to act, and Messrs. Jno. Strong and Jno. Traplin were elected in their stead. Mr. Tier, one of the retiring wardens, has been warden for a number of years and has worked energetically and faithfully in spite of many discouragements, and his retirement is a matter of much regret. The new churchwardens were appointed a committee to see what could be done in the matter of raising funds for the purpose of restoring the old church, which is now entering upon its fiftieth anniversary, and also to get plans and specifications for that purpose. After the vestry meeting the meeting for the election of lay representatives to the synod was held, and Messrs. Jas. Scott, R. H. Evans and T. H. Ide were elected to fill the positions. It is to be hoped that the year begun may prove a year of progress, and that all the congregation will unite as one to make it so.

NIAGARA.

The following resolution was passed at the annual Easter vestry meeting of St. Jude's Church, Oakville, held Easter Monday, the 3rd day of April, 1898:

"Resolved—That this vestry desires to record their deep regret at the death of the late Rev. W. E. Grahame, on the 25th of February last, who for the last six years has taken such earnest interest in all affairs in the parish, both in assisting in the services as far as his state of health permitted, and being ever ready in contributing liberally towards the Church and charitable work."

GRIMSBY.—The Easter vestry meeting of St. Andrew's Church was held, Rev. C. R. Lee presiding. There was a large attendance of the members, and the utmost harmony characterized the meeting. John H. Grout was re-appointed as rector's warden, and the people elected Dr. Alexander as their warden. A. H. Pettit was elected lay delegate to the synod.

HAMILTON.—Although no name was mentioned at the Church of the Ascension vestry meeting, Monday, in connection with the position of curate, Rev. F. E. Howitt, of Stony Creek, is considered by many to be the one who will be appointed by the rector.

GEORGETOWN.—*St. George's.*—The annual vestry meeting of St. George's Church was held on Easter Monday, April 3rd, Rev. Jos. Fennell in the chair. The financial report of the wardens was presented, showing a very satisfactory state of affairs. The report was adopted and the thanks of the vestry tendered to the wardens for their able management of affairs. Regrets were expressed at the loss sustained by the departure of Mr. H. M. Watson. Messrs. W. H. Galbraith and H. Holdroyd were appointed wardens for the ensuing year. Mr. Wheeler was appointed lay delegate to the synod. Votes of thanks having been tendered to Mrs. Fennell and Miss Jackson for services rendered, the meeting adjourned.

HURON.

GALT.—At a vestry meeting held on Easter Monday, in the school-room of Trinity Church, presided over by the Rev. Rural Dean Ridley, the annual reports were presented. The average income was maintained, while the diocesan and missionary collections were larger than last year. The total sum raised in the parish during the past year was \$3,617.74. Mr. C. R. H. Warnock was re-appointed Rector's warden, and Mr. A. Bisset Thom was unanimously re-elected people's warden (third term). Mr. A. D. Strong and Mr. George A. Woods were elected auditors for the ensuing year.

LONDON.—*St. John the Evangelist.*—The chancel of this church was most beautifully and appropriately decorated with flowers for the Easter services, which were never so hearty and with such large congregations both morning and evening. The choir, under the able management of Mr. H. Tancock, and

the remarkable performance on the organ by the blind organist, Thos. Micheltree, rendered the selected hymns and anthems for the day, in a way that could not be surpassed by any choir in the city. The surpliced choir was composed of ten men and twelve boys. Two most impressive sermons suitable to the day were delivered by our esteemed Rector, the Rev. W. T. Hill. A special appeal was made for assistance to provide for the balance due on the last payment upon our new organ, which resulted in the handsome collection of some \$70, thus enabling the churchwardens to complete the payments of \$1,800, all of which has been provided for in two years by voluntary contributions from members of this church, without the usual methods of socials, parties, concerts, bazaars, etc. The Lenten services this year were highly appreciated and the attendance large, especially the daily morning and evening services during Holy week. The number of communicants at early morning and mid-day celebrations on Easter day were never so large. The annual vestry meeting was largely attended; the churchwardens, from the prosperous condition of the parish, were enabled to show a most satisfactory financial report, with no outstanding accounts unpaid, and with all the pews rented, and largely increased offertory collections, thus giving the vestry the satisfaction of being enabled to vote an increase of \$100 a year to their esteemed Rector, this being coupled with a resolution setting forth the high appreciation that he was held in by the congregation; \$25 additional salary was voted to the organist and choir-master. The churchwardens, Messrs. Shanly and Grant, were unanimously appointed, and W. J. Imlach and Hy. Macklin were re-elected delegates to the Diocesan Synod.

RUPERT'S LAND.

WINNIPEG.—The Rev. Fred. W. Webber, M.A., has resigned the position of associate rector of Holy Trinity Church, Winnipeg, for the purpose of resuming work in an independent charge. His resignation takes effect July 3rd.

BRIEF MENTION.

There are only about 30 members left of the once mighty tribe of Choctaws near New Orleans.

One-seventh of the land surface of the globe is controlled by Russia.

A very small portion of the residents of the Hawaiian Islands, it is said, live in hotels and boarding houses.

The tomb of Mohammed is covered with diamonds, sapphires and rubies valued at \$10,000,000.

The State of New York got a million dollars out of the Gould estate as an inheritance tax.

Rev. C. F. Lowe, once rector of Summerside, P.E.I., will be the new curate of St. George's Cathedral, Kingston.

There are a million and a half more men than women in the United States.

The first daily morning newspaper was the *Daily Courant*, published in London.

In small towns in Germany only chimney sweeps wear plug hats.

The first newspaper to appear in Turkey was printed in French in 1795.

Stockings first came into use in the eleventh century. Before that, cloth bandages were wound around the feet.

It is said to be possible to cut down a growing tree and make it into paper ready for the printing press within twenty-four hours.

The members of St. John's Church, Cape Vincent, are so satisfied with the services of Rev. S. W. Strowger, rector, that an advance of salary has been given him.

A movement is on foot in Rhode Island for the erection of a monument to the Indian Chief Massasoit.

A scientist has been listening to the voice of the house-fly through the microphone. He says it sounds very much like the neighing of a horse.

At St. Martin's Church, Montreal, last week, the rite of confirmation was, by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, administered to thirty-two candidates, of whom sixteen were young men.

The cutting of the Kohinoor occupied thirty-eight days, with steam power, and cost \$40,000. The Regent required two years, and cost \$25,000.

Bishop Dunn of Quebec, and Mrs. Dunn, sailed from New York for England last week.

There are reported to be over 4,000 South African war medals awaiting claimants in England.

There are more than 50,000 persons in Paris who earn a living by picking up and making use of what other people throw away—rags, bones, metal and such refuse.