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St. Alban's Cathedral, Toronto.

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SERVICE ACCOUNT.

SEPTEMBER.

RECEIPTS.

Offertory (average, \$27.86).....	\$111 43
Boxes	59
Special Subscription for Interest	31 75
Balance 30th September	99 49
	<u>\$243 26</u>

EXPENDITURE.

Balance 31st August.....	\$106 72
Clerical Stipend	62 50
Sexton's Salary	20 00
Choir, Laundry	3 88
Lighting	7 41
On account debt	10 00
Interest	32 75
	<u>\$243 26</u>

The offertory for September, 1896, was \$163.30, average, \$40.82, so that there has been quite a serious falling off in the offertory, leaving us at the end of the month with an adverse balance of \$100, with payments immediately due amounting to \$112.

There has been a substantial increase in the attendance during July, August, and September of this year as compared with last year, yet the offertory for those months last year was \$396.58, but this year only \$295.29, a falling off of over one-fourth, when we should have had an increase. It is to be hoped that every member of the congregation will make an effort to improve matters in this respect for it is very difficult to make our income meet our necessary expenditure.

The Bishop and Mrs. Sweatman, with their two children who went to England with them, arrived home on Tuesday, 28th ult. On Monday, 4th inst, the Clergy of the Toronto Rural Deanery presented his Lordship with an address of welcome at St. James school-house, in the presence of a large gathering of members of the different city parishes, among whom we were pleased to see our congregation well represented. His Lordship replied at length, giving a most interesting account of the proceedings of the Lambeth Conference and of many of the functions of different sorts in which the Bishops took part.

A letter just received from Canon Macnab, mentions that he had an opportunity of mentioning St. Alban's Cathedral in a country parish in Scotland in which he was resident for a short time, with the result that he received gifts for St. Alban's amounting to £110. Canon and Mrs. Macnab have been for most of the summer in Switzerland, where he undertook a temporary charge.

The Bishop having returned and the summer season having gone, more life in church matters in our congregation will now be the order of the day. The Woman's Auxiliary have this week resumed their meetings, but the renewal of activity is especially emphasized by the daily services which are now held in the chapel. The hour is 5 o'clock unless notified otherwise.