

finances are in an excellent condition. The "Willing Workers," a band of young ladies, worked for a sale during Lent, and at Easter, by means of this and a concert, realized over \$70. The children of the Sunday-school contributed \$16.40 for the Widows' and Orphan's Fund during Lent. The parsonage fund is steadily increasing, the Sunday-school is very prosperous, and the entire outlook is bright and cheering. *Parish Church Work* is now in its sixth year. We heartily congratulate the Rev. Mr. Fidler on the success that has attended his zealous efforts for the Church's sake. Long may his parish prosper.

TORONTO S.S. ASSOCIATION.—The last meeting of this useful society for the present season took place on the 20th inst., in St. Peter's School house, Carleton Place.

There was a fair attendance. Archdeacon Boddy occupied the chair. A paper on the Book of Common prayer was read by the Rev. C. E. Whitcombe, and short addresses were given by Rev. R. Harrison, and Messrs. Biggar and Wood. The following resolution was then adopted:—That inasmuch as the children of our Church are not so well instructed as they ought to be in the "Book of Common Prayer," the Toronto Church Sunday School Association requests the Church of England Sunday School Institute to publish a series of lessons on the book of Common Prayer, and also upon the collects, epistles and gospels for the use of Sunday school teachers.

TORONTO.—*St. Philip's Church.*—We are glad to hear that the Rev. J. S. Sweeney, who has been absent in Muskoka for the benefit of his health, has greatly improved, and will go to the sea side presently, Mr. Jones taking his place.

At the concert of the Young People's Association there was a very large attendance. The following was the programme:—Piano selections by the Misses Lawson, Herdman, Henderson and Muldrew, and Mr. E. R. Doward, Mr. J. Warne, and Mr. Sanford Leppard; instrumental trio with two violins and piano by Major F. E. Dixon, Mrs. and Miss Dixon. At the close of the programme a sale of pot plants, cut flowers, ice cream, etc. was held and a nice sum realized thereby.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

WARDSVILLE.—The Vestry meeting showed a balance in the hands of the Churchwardens after all indebtedness had been met. It was shown that the expenses had been small, because of the ready aid given by the Churchwardens, Messrs. H. Wilson and W. Newson, in lighting the Church, attending to furnace, &c., while the ladies of the "Guild" had kept the House of God in a suitable condition for service. They had also agreed to purchase three lots between the Church and parsonage. Considering that this place has lost by removals its most wealthy people, and that the beautiful Church and pleasant parsonage are entirely free from debt, while the congregations are good and increasing, the Rev. W. J. Taylor and his people have much cause for thanksgiving.

GLENORE.—The annual Vestry meeting was the largest ever held. Great interest was manifested in Church affairs, and the clergyman was warmly supported in all his work. The expenditure for the year was larger than usual, the receipts also showed an increase, while the congregations were steadily increasing. The Rev. W. J. Taylor gave a brief account of the work of the year, reporting decided blessing as a result of the special and general services. Messrs. N. Currie and W. S. Rogers were re-elected churchwardens. The former gentleman was appointed delegate to the Synod, and Messrs. G. Harrison and W. Swaisland auditors. The choir of the Church, largely composed of girl

and boys, led by Mr. Smart, were thanked for their efficient services.

WINGHAM.—The Rev. R. McCosh and Mrs. McCosh leave for California next week. They hope to be absent about three months. It is to be hoped they will both return much stronger and improved in health.

LONDON SOUTH.—On Thursday, the 13th instant, a very pleasant evening was spent in St. James' School-house by the Sunday-school and its friends. After the rendering of a short programme of vocal and instrumental music, the rector, Rev. Evans Davis, gave a short address, and then the presentation of the annual prizes took place. About \$60 worth of books were given. It is needless to say the children seemed very much pleased, and we hope encouraged. This school has an attendance of about 235, including teachers.

PORT STANLEY.—Bishop Baldwin is announced to hold a Confirmation service in Christ's Church on the 19th. No doubt a large gathering will welcome his Lordship, whose visits are always looked forward to with much pleasure.

PARIS.—The congregation in this place, in order to secure the entire services of their clergyman has increased his salary by \$200 per annum. Some other arrangements will now require to be made to supply the people of Ayr with church services.

The Synod of the Diocese will assemble in the Chapter House, London, on June 15th.

LONDON EAST.—St. Matthew's Church is now too small for the growing congregation, and is to be enlarged immediately.

ADJOURNED EASTER MEETINGS.

LONDON.—*The Chapter House.*—The Rev. G. Ballard, rector, presided. The report of the auditors was read and adopted, and on motion it was resolved that 200 copies be printed and circulated.

A letter was read from the Bishop stating that he had called a meeting of the Chapter for the 25th inst., at which the proposition of the Chapter House congregation, re the building of the Cathedral, will be considered.

On motion, it was resolved that further action regarding the building of a parish church be deferred till after the meeting of the Chapter.

Christ Church.—The adjourned meeting was held in the school-room, the rector, Rev. Canon Smith in the chair.

The auditor's report showed the receipts to have been \$1,900.69, and the expenditure \$1,864.25. The report was adopted.

A communication from the See House Building Fund Committee in reference to the assessment for the See House was read, and it was resolved, to solicit subscriptions from the members.

LONDON WEST.—*St. George's.*—Principal Fowell occupied the chair. The accounts presented by the churchwardens of last year were very satisfactory. Total receipts, \$1,103 74; disbursements, \$1,103 74.

The Churchwardens were empowered to employ counsel, if necessary, for the suit in Chancery re the Surplus Fund of St. Paul's Church.

LONDON SOUTH.—*St. James'.*—At Vestry meeting—Rev. Evans Davis, rector, in the chair; W. Moore, Charles Richardson, R. M. McElheran, John Pope, Geo. White, R. Bidulph, Jas. Hart, Fred. Beattie and Alb. White, Messrs. John Beattie and R. B. Hungerford, churchwardens; M. J. Kent, vestry clerk.

The financial statement presented at last meeting was received and discussed. The receipts and disbursements were passed with some slight alteration.

The amended report from the Finance Committee containing a scheme showing the best means of wiping out the debt of \$4,000 on the church, was presented by Judge Davis, chairman. It set forth: The mortgage to be divided into \$200 shares of \$20 each, payments to be made in five equal annual instalments, the first payment to be without interest, and the balance in four equal annual instalments, with interest at 6 per cent. This proposition was accepted, and a committee appointed to solicit subscribers to the same.

It was decided to make certain improvements in the rectory, and the Finance Committee were empowered to expend a sum not exceeding \$100 for the carrying out of the same.

A vote of \$40 to the funds of the Sunday-school was passed.

THORNEDALE.—*St. George's.*—At the Vestry meeting, the incumbent, Rev. John Holmes, occupied the chair. The warden's accounts were audited and found satisfactory. The incumbent re-appointed Mr. Charles Harrison as his warden, and the people appointed Mr. John Armstrong as their warden, as successor to Mr. E. Fitzgerald; Messrs. Charles Harrison and John Fitzsimons delegates to Synod.

WINDSOR.—*All Saints'.*—The receipts from pew rents and offertory amounted to \$2,353.61, an increase on last year of \$131.36. The congregation is to be congratulated on this in view of the fact that for eleven months the parish has been practically without a pastor. The gross receipts for the year amount to the sum of \$2,733.13. The average offertory for the fifty-one Sundays on which there was service amounts to \$20.01. There are now rented 76 pews, yielding an annual rental of \$1,472. Twelve extra pews were rented during the year, the increased annual value of which is \$176. The church is now entirely free from debt, with a cash surplus in hand of \$146.62, and outstanding pew rents amounting to \$270.40, which are all good and will be handed in during the current quarter. If we add to these amounts \$348 of an old debt, which, during the year has been paid off, it will show the position of the church to-day \$765 better than at Easter, 1885. And if we deduct from last year's receipts \$500 of a special subscription, the improved position this year over that of last will be represented by the handsome sum of \$1,265.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

The Synod of the Diocese was opened in accordance with the announcement made in our last number. We hope to have an account of its proceedings and of the Missionary meeting for next week's paper.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

The Bishop of Algoma requests us to say that his address, after this date, will be Bishopurst, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. He also asks his correspondents to understand that in case their communications fail to receive immediate attention, the cause of delay will be his absence from home.

PROVINCE OF RUPERT'S LAND,

INCLUDING THE DIOCESES OF RUPERT'S LAND, SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSEHAWK, MACKENZIE RIVER, QU'APPELLE AND ATHABASCA.

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

WINNIPEG.—The Easter meetings have passed off in a most harmonious manner. There were no discussions of any kind, and the financial condition of all the parishes has improved. There are still heavy debts, but there is a hopeful feeling in the city, and Church matters are certainly looking more favorable than last year.