

made a statement relative to his leaving St. Alban's, and requested the old wardens to continue in office. To this request Messrs. Fenrings Taylor and M. W. Maynard at once assented. Mr. Grant Powell was re-elected delegate to the Synod. The following resolutions passed by a large meeting held in the afternoon in which the new archdeacon is held by his St. Alban's parishioners: Moved by Mr. Fenrings Taylor, seconded by Mr. Boraclail. That this vestry leaves with great satisfaction that our esteemed pastor, the Rev. Canon Bedford-Jones has been appointed one of the archdeacons of this diocese, and feels assured that his lordship the bishop will derive thereby valuable assistance in the administration of the temporal affairs of the diocese. 2. Moved by Mr. Mattheson, seconded by Mr. Maynard. That this vestry having been informed that our beloved rector, the Rev. T. Bedford-Jones, who has laboured in the parish of St. Alban's since its formation, is about to be removed to another field of usefulness, desires gratefully to acknowledge the benefits derived by the congregation from his tender and faithful ministrations, by the sick bed of suffering, in the chambers of mourning, in visiting the poor, in exhorting the erring and encouraging the timid, in the careful and affectionate training of the young, in preaching the Word of God with steadfastness, and in his self-denying and diligent discharge of the duties of his pastorate. And while deeply regretting the loss which the congregation will thereby sustain, the vestry desires to convey its earnest wishes for the welfare and happiness of our beloved rector and Mrs. Jones in their future home.

BELLEVILLE.—A concert, very pleasing and successful, was given on the 19th ult. at the residence of N. B. Faulkner, Esq., in aid of the funds of St. John's Church. It was conducted under the superintendence of Dr. Crozier. The music was chiefly furnished by the choral club. The proceeds amounted to \$65. The Rev. Mr. Forneri stated that a member of the Church had offered \$100 towards the "lot fund," if \$300 were raised before Whitsunday.

KINGSTON.—It is the intention of the dean and vestry of St. George's cathedral to erect a memorial window to the memory of the late Mr. John Watkins in the chancel, he having been a benefactor of the church. Other windows will also be erected in the nave as memorial windows, the dean taking the first in memory of his wife. The dean has received from Mr. Taylor, Berners street, London, an artist of repute, a beautiful sketch of Mary sitting at the feet of Jesus, and Martha serving.

TYENDINAGA.—On Tuesday, 5th April, during the prevalence of a gale from the North-West, the house of Thomas Claus, and old an respected Mowhawk Churchman, was destroyed by fire with nearly all its contents, and the barn contiguous to it, with his tenant's seed grain. A defective chimney was the cause of the catastrophe. Much sympathy was shown Mr. Claus by people of Deseronto and his neighbours, who promptly got up a subscription to help him in his time of need. Among the losses which he deeply feels is that of his books, including his family Bible and Book of Common Prayer in Mowhawk.

BELLEVILLE.—The Easter vestry meetings held in the several churches appear to have passed off very happily, and it is to be hoped that disagreements and commotions on these occasions are things of the past. St. Thomas's vestry was largely attended. Messrs. Hulme and Jellett were re-elected churchwardens. The financial statement was satisfactory. A resolution adopting the envelope system was carried.

Christ Church vestry was largely attended. The wardens reported that all the liabilities on Christ Church and St. George's chapel had been paid, and that the bodies had to their credit in the bank the sum of \$1,225.50 towards the new pipe organ, which had just been placed in the church. Dr. Clarke, the incumbent, congratulated the congregation on the success of their efforts and freedom from debt. Messrs. Newbery and Dummet were re-elected wardens.

St. John's Church warden's report was satisfactory. The incumbent's salary had been paid up, and a considerable balance was in hand to pay upon the lot occupied by the church. They reported that the collection on Easter Sunday was above \$100. Churchwardens re-elected: Messrs. Brown and Geen. Lay Reps.: Messrs. Irwin, Brown and Geen.

HILLIER: Christ Church. At the annual vestry meeting on Monday last, Messrs. A. Babbit and Robt. Pye were elected churchwardens. After routine business the time of the meeting was chiefly taken up by discussion on the parish endowment. Some twenty years ago one of the parishioners, after disposing of a large portion of his property in various legacies,

bequeathed the residence thereof to the parish for the purpose of endowing it. The acting trustee invested at different times the sum of \$2,800 in the interest of the parish. Repeated efforts were made to obtain a statement of the matter; hence nothing remained but to file a bill in chancery. The result being an order compelling the trustee to refund some six thousand dollars. The vestry passed a unanimous vote of thanks to Mr. Halliwell for his persevering and successful efforts in bringing this long standing grievance to an issue.

STAFFORD: St. Stephen's; Wardens: Messrs. Thomas Hawkins and Thomas Wright. Sidesmen: Messrs. W. T. Leach and H. T. Hawkins.

St. Patrick's; Wardens: Messrs. Thomas McDonald and James Douglass. Sidesmen: Messrs. John Howard and Wm. Rollins.

WILBERFORCE: Rankin School House.—Wardens: Messrs. George Aslesore and George Sweeney. The collections per missionary cards amounted to \$53.00.

PERTH.—Wardens: John McMaster and C. A. Matheson. Sidesmen: Messrs. A. J. Matheson, J. W. Douglas, E. Elliott, Wm. Butler, Judge Senkler, George Devlin, A. W. Playfair, H. L. Slack, George Armstrong. Lay representative for three years: W. H. Radenhurst.

SMITH'S FALLS.—Wardens: James Rath and James Johnson. Lay Reps.: W. Jarvis, James Rath, and Wm. Richey. Sidesmen: S. Percival, A. Mills, John Rath and S. Moag.

BURRITT'S RAPIDS.—Wardens: Col. J. S. Hurd and T. A. Kidd. Lay Rep. H. Burritt.

RENFREW.—Wardens: R. C. Archer and B. J. Reynolds.

NORTH AUGUSTA.—Wardens: Robt. McLean and Benjamin Colborne. Lay Rep.: Joseph Steacy.

ARNHEIM.—Wardens: John Butler and D. M. Finnie. Sidesmen: Dr. Cranston, T. Williams, B. Stafford and R. Beamism. Lay Reps.: John Ushorne, John Butler and T. Williams.

PEMBROKE.—Wardens: J. H. Burritt and W. A. Hunter. Lay Reps.: W. A. Hunter and W. H. Sweetman.

NAPASSEE: St. Mary Magdalene's Church; Wardens: Messrs. Harshaw and Wright. Lay Rep.: Mr. Harshaw.

TYENDINAGA.—Christ Church: Wardens: Chief Green and Chief Wm. Powies. Lay Reps.: Chief Green, W. G. Egar, John Loft.

All Saints: Wardens: Thomas Claus and Joseph John.

OTTAWA: Christ Church.—Ven. Archdeacon Landen in the chair. Payments for year, \$4,904.55, and \$238 for the new pulpit. Receipts, pew rents, \$2,414.63; special collections, \$440.06; offertory, &c., \$1,857.60. Total \$4,718.29, leaving a deficiency of \$192.26. The Ladies' Decanal Society raised \$663 towards reducing the debt, and in aid of the Sunday school library. Wardens: Messrs. Consen and Cambie. Lay Reps.: Messrs. Cambie, Hartney and Charles Magee.

St. John's.—Receipts: balance on hand, \$265.72; pew rents, \$1,770.63; offertory, \$1,455.50; special collection, \$516.10. Payments, \$3,459.60, leaving a balance on hand of \$548.35. Receipts from Sunday school, \$213.25; payments, \$211.64. In hand, \$1.61. Wardens: Capt. Horace Lee and Mr. R. Pope. Lay Reps.: Dr. Wilson, Mr. R. Pope, and Judge Lyon.

St. Alban's.—Archdeacon Jones in the chair. The accounts showed a balance of \$530 due to the rector on his salary, which was ordered to be raised on mortgage, as he was leaving the parish for Kemptville.

NEW EDINBURGH.—St. Bartholomew's; Wardens: Mr. C. C. Neville and Dr. Bell.

KEMPTVILLE.—Wardens: R. Leslie and T. Blackburn. Lay Reps.: Jas. Porter, T. Blackburn and R. Leslie.

BELLEVILLE.—We regret to learn that Christ church was burnt down on Monday the 25th ultimo. The origin of the fire is a mystery, as there had been no fires lighted in the heating apparatus for three days before. The loss is at least \$3,000 more than the amount covered by insurance. The building was erected in 1863. Its successive incumbents have been Revs. Septimus Jones, Hans Caulfield, R. S. Forneri, J. R. Jones and W. C. Clarke.

TORONTO.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections, &c., received during the week ending April 23rd, 1881.

MISSION FUND.—Parochial Collections.—Tecumseth, additional \$45.00; Credit, balance 63.00; St. Philip's, Unionville 46.03; Beaverton 22.00; Etobicoke, St.

George's 88.80; Christ church 48.45; Perrytown, additional 2.50; Woodbridge 50.64; Whitfield 16.90. *Thanksgiving Collection.*—Manvers, St. Paul's 3.50; St. Mary's 1.50. *Missionary Meetings.*—Manvers, St. Paul's 4.50; St. Mary's 2.50; Scarborough, Christ church 6.61; St. Paul's 8.90; St. Jude's 2.23. *January Collection.*—Newmarket 8.72; St. Philip's, Unionville, 80 cents; St. Luke's, Toronto, 5.10. *Annual Subscription.*—Rev. Canon Tremayne 40.00. *Donation.*—"R" 10.00. Special offering from a member of the congregation of Trinity church, Aurora, 5.00.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—October Collection.—St. Anne's, Toronto on account of assessment 25.00; St. Luke's Toronto, 31.92; Ashburnham and Otterabee, in full of assessment 7.92; Brooklin, Columbus and Ashburn 18.78; Caidiff and Monmouth 11.75; Sunderland and West Brock 8.90. *Annual Subscriptions.*—Rev. J. McLean Ballard 5.00; Rev. Canon Tremayne 10.00; Rev. F. Burt 5.00. *For the Widow of a deceased Clergyman.*—From a servant girl of Cardiff 1.00.

DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND.—April Collection.—Haliburton 3.23; St. Philip's, Unionville, 2.34; Alliston 2.13; West Essa 1.45; Manvers, St. Paul's 1.00; St. Mary's 50 cents; Etobicoke, St. George's 3.59; Christ church 2.30; Christ church, Stouffville 2.50; Perrytown 1.40, Clarke 40 cents; Brooklin 1.00, Columbus 45 cents.

ALGOMA MISSION.—The late S. E. H. R., Orillia 18.00; "R" Orillia, 10.00; B. H. R., Orillia 2.00.

The Church of the Ascension has been presented with a handsome two manual organ, by Samuel B. Smith, Esq. The instrument was built by Messrs. S. R. Warren & Son of this city, and was placed in position and used on Sunday last for the first time. It fully sustains Messrs. Warren's reputation as church organ builders, being exceedingly handsome in appearance and equally good in tone quality, possessing all the qualifications necessary or desirable in a perfect instrument. The various solo effects which can be produced with it give evidence of the utmost care in its voicing, while the whole combines a full, harmonious and powerful body of sound of exceeding richness, without the slightest harshness. The admirable qualities of the instrument were fully tested and brought out by Mr. S. B. Whitely, an organist of rare merit, who has lately decided upon making Toronto his home, at a private recital on Saturday last, where a choice programme was rendered. Mr. Whitely presided at the organ also at the Sunday services morning and evening. The organ contains twelve stops on the Great, ten on the Swell, and three on the Pedal, with the necessary couplers, &c. Tremolo to swell, and three combination pedals to great organ and three to the swell. Price \$3,500.

RURAL DEANERY OF EAST YORK.—The quarterly meeting of the Chapter will be held at the Rectory, Unionville, on Tuesday, May 10th. Subjects for consideration: *Greek Testament*, 2 Timothy ii., beginning at the 1st verse. *The Liturgy*, Communion Office from Rubric before the benediction. *Apologies*, Review of Greg's Creeds of Christendom, chapter 3. Such members of the Chapter as can make it convenient to attend will kindly communicate with me before the day of meeting. John Fletcher, Rural Dean.

DURHAM AND VICTORIA RURAL DEANERY.—The quarterly meeting of the rural-decanal chapter of this deanery which was to have been held the first Wednesday and Thursday in May is postponed. There being at present no resident clergyman in the parish where it was appointed to be held.

BATTEAU.—On Easter Sunday the congregation of Christ church presented their esteemed organist, Miss Annie Ross, with a silver watch and an album. The presentation was accompanied by an address expressive of the high regard in which the organist is held, and of the manner in which her services have been appreciated in time past.

ORILLIA. St. James's.—The Lenten services at this church have been better attended than usual, especially in Holy Week. The financial statement at the Easter meeting was also very gratifying, the "free seat" system having produced a very much larger revenue than its most sanguine supporters could have anticipated, very far in excess of what was received when the pews were let. The meeting was held in the evening, and thus a large attendance was secured. Some of the proceeding were very extraordinary, and as a climax, resolutions were proposed as to how divine service was to be conducted, what hymns were to be used &c., some of which motions strange to say were put by the chairman and voted on. Your correspondent has not been informed whether the vestry intend applying to parliament for a church spiritualities act to legalise their proceedings.

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