

Don't let this year end, or the century close without seeing that your arrears to Parish and Home are all paid.

We are glad to see Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Finlay settled in Lindsay again. Mrs. Finlay was at one time a member of St. Paul's choir.

We are sure many of our readers take an occasional look through our advertising columns and do part of their trading with those who have cards in Parish and Home.

The Rev. Dyson Hague, M.A., is (D.V.) to address the McAll mission in Lindsay on Dec. 11th in the afternoon. In the evening he has consented to give an address at a Missionary At Home in connection with the "Gleaners' Union."

Miss Lila Graham has gone to Toronto to live, but kindly remembered to send a contribution towards the church debt. She will be missed from church and from the Gleaners' Union, but we wish her every blessing in her new home.

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much," said the inspired writer St. James, and yet how seldom people ask another to pray with or for them. In sickness or trouble how much of solace, balm and strength may be secured through fervent prayer to God.

A wedding is usually a pleasing event, and the one in St. Paul's church on Wednesday, November 8th, was a very pleasant and happy one. Still we are sorry to lose Miss Florence Knowison from Lindsay; yet as Mrs. Leggett wish her many years of happiness in her western home.

Some three hundred members of the Canadian Contingent for South Africa partook of the holy communion at the cathedral, Quebec, on the Sunday before they started on their long journey. It must have been an inspiring sight to see so many soldiers gather at the Lord's table, and we rejoice that they acknowledged themselves soldiers of Christ as well as of the Queen. Who can say how many of them will be permitted to return to their own land?

We regret to state that we are to lose the Rev. R. McNamara at the beginning of the year. He goes to be appointed incumbent of the parish of Gagetown, N.B. While very many will miss him here, yet as he feels that God is leading him down east we are sure many will follow him with their prayers, and wish both him and Mrs. McNamara richer blessings in their new home and field of labour. As they are taking with them a native of Lindsay we do not think they will ever entirely forget this parish.

The 14th anniversary of the opening of St. Paul's church was kept with special services on Nov. 26th. There were large congregations, with excellent singing, and we trust the hearts of the worshippers went out in deep thanksgiving to God who has led us hitherto. The Rev. Septimus Jones, M.A., of Toronto, was the preacher morning and evening, and his subjects, Prayer and Jacob's staff, with the many lessons to be learned therefrom. There was a Sunday school service in the afternoon with an offertory of over \$19. The united offertory for church debt was some \$356, (after deducting the ordinary collection) and about \$50 has since been promised or handed in, which considering there was no personal canvass, is very encouraging. The rector and congregation owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Jones for his kindness and efficient help.

St. Stephen's church, Toronto, kept its 41st birthday the first Sunday in December.

Incidentally we have heard lately of several young people of St. Paul's who have begun to lay by for God's work at least one tenth of what he gives them. We rejoice with them and are sure they will find God's promise true, "Them that honour me I will honour." Read also Gen. 28:20-22.

The sixth archidiaconal conference of this archdeaconry was held at Peterboro on Nov 14th and 15th, some 25 clergy and about 12 lay representatives being present. The Ven. Archdeacon Allen, M.A., presided with his usual tact and wisdom. The spirit of the gathering was helpful and stimulating, and we are sure many are stronger for having been present. The Rev. H. Symonds is an excellent secretary and the minutes read were like a short synopsis of the preceding conference. The archdeacon in his opening address, referred to the excellent spiritual address of the morning service by Rev. G. Warren to the reduction of interest from endowments to the needs of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, to the desirability of a clergyman being introduced to his new charge by the archdeacon or rural dean and neighboring clergy, wishing him Godspeed in an impressive and helpful service; also he said that the Church of England should take a decided stand as to the sanctity of the Lord's day, and in temperance work. Excellent papers on the Church of England, (1) Its origin, (2) Its relation to the Church of Rome and the Reformation, were read by Revs. J. S. Broughall, M.A., and Canon Farncomb, M.A. The Rev. Rural Dean Webb gave much information on "The Condition of the Church in the Archdeaconry," and we were surprised to find that in some townships there were more than a hundred voters who were put down as belonging to no church. There was a large congregation at the evening service and the Rev. Provost Welch, M.A., D.C.L., delivered an instructive and helpful sermon on St. John 9:4. On the morning of the 15th the Rev. H. C. Dixon deeply moved the hearts of all his hearers as he spoke on "Rescue Work," and told some of the great things God had done, and the value in his sight of the lost ones. At the suggestion of the Rev. J. C. Davidson the archdeacon requested Mr. Dixon to lead in prayer that all present might be more consecrated to the work God had called them to. The rector of Lindsay spoke on "Desecration of the Lord's Day," which at present is felt to be a burning question. Rev. Canon Spragg, Mr. Wm. Grace and R. M. Dennistoun, esq., led in the consideration of matters relative to the division of the diocese, while the Revs. R. L. Weaver and W. C. Allen gave instructive papers on "The Devotional Life of the Church." "Unbelief" in its various phases was ably dealt with by Revs. Herbert Symonds and John Bushell. A closing public meeting was held in the Y.M.C.A. hall and addressed by Revs. R. J. Carson, E. Daniel and H. C. Dixon, with we are sure lasting results. The hospitality of the church people of Peterboro was very kindly extended to the visitors, and the lunches at St. John's and St. Luke's schoolhouses gave pleasant opportunities of making new or renewing former acquaintanceship. Mr. J. H. Knight was the third representative from Lindsay and took a very active part in the discussions; we wish laymen from Cameron, Cambray and Reaboro and other parts had also been present.