

tival. A handsome bouquet stood on the altar, and a beautiful petunia, kindly lent by Mrs. George, filled the front with a profusion of bloom. Begonias, Callas and geraniums in pots, the offerings of Mrs. Hutton and Mrs. Edward Leader, were grouped about the front and at the base of the pulpit. The congregations were large, and there were over forty communicants.

GANANOQUE.—At the annual meeting of Christ Church congregation held on Monday last, 11th inst., the Rector, Rev. H. Auston, M. A., in the chair, the financial statement showed the expenditure of the year to have been some two hundred dollars greater than the receipts, but with assets in the way of unpaid subscriptions sufficient to cover the amount. The total liability is a mortgage of \$1,350 on the parsonage. The church is clear of debt.

The Rector nominated Mr. John Finucane as his Churchwarden, and Mr. W. E. Carroll was unanimously elected People's Churchwarden.

Mr. T. P. Richardson was elected lay delegate for the full term of three years, and Mr. J. C. Ross for the unexpired term of the late Mr. D. Ford Jones.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO.—*Churchwomen's Mission Aid.*—The 8th annual meeting of the above Society will (D.V.) take place in the Synod room, Wellington street west, on Wednesday, April 27th, at 3 p.m. The Bishop of Toronto will preside, and it is hoped that the Bishop of Algoma and the Rev. Dr. Mockridge will be present and deliver addresses on missionary work.

All members of the Society, the clergy and all others interested in mission work are cordially invited to attend.

PETERBOROUGH.—At the Easter Vestry meeting of St. John's church, Rev. Rural Dean Beck presiding; Dr. Geo. Burnham and Mr. C. H. Sheffield, were elected Church wardens; and Judge Weller, Dr. Burnham, and H. A. Hammond, delegates to the Synod.

Reports were read from the committees, the Treasurer's report showing a revenue of \$900 over expenses during the year, besides which \$1500 has been paid off the building debt.

Votes of thanks were passed to the choir for their services, and to the ladies for their successful efforts in clearing off the organ debt.

ASBURNHAM.—*St. Luke's.*—At the Annual Vestry meeting in connection with St. Luke's Church here, the Rector, Rev. W. C. Bradshaw occupied the chair.

The Churchwardens presented their annual report and statement of accounts showing the total receipts on current account to have amounted to \$1,900.78, the expenditure being \$1,842.19, leaving a balance on hand, after meeting all outstanding accounts, of \$58.59.

The Churchwardens, in their report, congratulated the vestry on the improvement in the finances, the average Sunday collection being the largest in the Church's history, viz., \$26.03, an increase of nearly \$8 per Sunday since 1880.

The outlay for building had been very large, viz., \$4,824.80. Towards this there had been received over \$2,200. The present indebtedness is about \$2,600, towards which a considerable sum had been subscribed.

The Rector stated that during the period of his pastorate—less than 11 years—395 children and adults had been baptized, 303 persons were confirmed, and there had been 71 marriages and 131 funerals. For the last year his work was as follows: 414 week-day and Sunday services, 41 baptisms, 74 celebrations of Holy Communion, 6 marriages, 13 funerals, and 619 pastoral visits. He had

also attended 49 meetings and delivered 200 sermons and lectures, including weekly expositions at the Friday evening Bible class. The communicants at Easter numbered 162, and there had been 1,545 communions made during the year.

The Lay Superintendent of the Sunday-school reported great progress in Sunday-school matters. The average attendance for the year had been 132, as compared with 110 the previous year. There were 17 classes and an excellent staff of teachers and officials. The children's offerings amounted to \$109.23 for the year, and there was a good balance on hand after meeting all expenses.

Messrs. J. Burnham, and H. T. Strickland, were elected Churchwardens.

Votes of thanks were passed to Mrs. Mills and family for the handsome memorial window placed in the church, to Dr. H. C. Burritt for the gift of a corona for the chancel, and to the organist and choir for the efficient services.

Messrs. John Burnham, H. C. Rogers and R. Meade, were elected lay delegates to the Synod.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

GALT.—The annual Vestry meeting was held on Easter Monday, Rev. John Ridley, Rector, in the chair. The accounts for Wardens were laid over until the adjourned meeting on the 19th inst. All the finances have been largely on the increase. Over \$500 have been raised during the year for diocesan and other missions, including \$100 specially given to Algoma. The Sunday-school raised \$218, and has an attendance of 185 scholars and twenty teachers. The school room is already too small and an enlargement must soon take place. The following officers were appointed:—Rector's Warden, Mr. Warnock; People's Warden, Mr. Geo. Godfrey. Sidesmen, Messrs. C. Warnock, T. Peck, A. Ball, jr., R. McMillan, H. B. Lewis, Wm. Strickland. Delegates to Synod, Messrs. R. S. Strong, sr., James Woods. Vestry clerk, J. W. Beaumont.

A sexton is to be permanently engaged whose whole time shall be devoted to looking after the Church, Trinity square, Rectory grounds and the cemetery.

CLINTON.—*St. Paul's.*—Lent was observed pretty faithfully in this parish; there were extra services every week, and as usual daily Matins and Evensong in Holy Week. Devotional Readings at the Morning services and sermons on the "Church Ministry," "Mode of administering Holy Communion," and other subjects. The attendance was much better than usual. On Easter day the congregation was large, the Church beautifully decorated with flowers. The Easter offering was over \$80, and the number of communicants large.

At the annual vestry meeting on Monday evening the Churchwardens presented their accounts for the past year, which were considered satisfactory, all current expenses having been paid and debt reduced. The Rector appointed W. W. Farren as Clergyman's Warden. On motion W. Jackson was appointed People's Warden, and on motion Messrs. John Ransford and H. B. Combe were appointed delegates to the Diocesan Synod. A committee was appointed to consider the question of enlarging and otherwise improving the Church, and providing means to carry the work out successfully.

GODERICH.—Rev. W. Young the recently appointed Rector of St. George's arrived in town by the late train on Saturday week. The rev. gentleman preached to large congregations morning and evening on Sunday following. The annual vestry meeting of St. George's was held on Monday evening, Rev. W. Young presiding. Mrs. J. M. Shepherd and Chas. Seager were re-elected Churchwardens, and Messrs. R.

Radcliffe and T. B. VanEvery were appointed delegates to the Diocesan Synod.

WARDSVILLE.—On Easter Day the chancel of this beautiful Church was most tastefully adorned with flowers. The singing was very good, and the congregation large. The number of communicants was above that of previous years.

GLENCOE.—The service on Easter Day was very bright and hearty. The Psalms were well chanted, and the rest of the singing heartily joined in. The Holy Table and Font were very prettily decorated with flowers.

DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

The Bishop of Algoma begs to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt from A. F., Nova Scotia, the sum of \$10; also, early in March, if not previously acknowledged, \$30; also from "A Quebec Churchwoman," \$7.

NORTH BAY.—During the past fifteen months considerable progress has been made in the mission district of North Bay, with its far-stretching territory. We have now a third church, which will be completed for service in the early spring, at Chapleau, on the C.P.R., 251 miles west of North Bay. The village of Chapleau contains about four hundred inhabitants, and towards the building of the new church a sum of over £300 has been subscribed by the residents themselves. We expect by summer to have this church finished, free of debt, and ready for consecration.

Our church at Sturgeon Falls has been heavily laden with the grievous burden of debt. But the congregation, though comparatively few in numbers, have all along exerted themselves nobly, and with success. During the past fifteen months a sum of \$240 has been collected and expended in payment of this debt, leaving a balance of only \$50 due on the building, and and \$25 on the organ. Towards this happy result, and for the time mentioned, the only outside aid came, through our Bishop, in a grant of \$50 from the Burnside Trust Fund, Diocese of Toronto; and two sums, amounting to \$45, from Miss Alice C. Day, of Sussex, Eng. In the last place, but by no means the least, there is our Church at North Bay. During the same period of fifteen months we have paid over \$600 to creditors, and now on the building we do not owe one cent. Here again the congregation themselves effected this freedom from debt, the only outside aid being also, through our Bishop, in a grant of \$50 from the Burnside Trust Fund, Diocese of Toronto. The Bishop came to North Bay on visitation on Saturday, 26th ult. Next day, Sunday, he consecrated our church, and confirmed fifteen young soldiers in the service of Christ, and preached to us even as Arnold used to preach in the Chapel at Rugby School. We are determined in this mission to strive and always show him still greater progress.

DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

SAPPERTON, St. Mary's.—This Congregation having been for a short season deprived of their regular services, seem to have realized their value, as, since the Bishop has sent the Rev. G. Ditcham to take charge of it during his continued absence in England, the congregation has been very regular in attendance. We learn that a lady in England, has offered three reredosses of terra cotta—one for St. Mary's, another for Holy Trinity, and the third for the Church at Lytton.

LANGLEY PRAIRIE.—The subscription for the proposed Church on Langley Prairie, is now upwards of \$400. About \$1,400 is required and if this be forthcoming, building operations might be commenced this summer.