

kay's, with a fair attendance of the clergy. The resignation of Rev. E. A. W. Hanington was received with regret, and a vote of thanks tendered him for his services as secretary for the past three years. Rev. W. M. Loucks was elected to fill the position. The question of dividing the W.A. into separate branches in the city met with disapproval, as did also the proposition made by Sister Demers, of the Church of Rome, to manage the contagious hospitals. A committee was formed to take steps to form a Church Defence Society, a much-needed want in this part of the province.

The closing of the Church of England day-school, under the direction of the Sisters of the Church, took place in Christ Church school-room on December 22nd. The schoolroom was suitably decorated with bunting and evergreens, while on the pillars and walls were specimens of the pupils' work: maps, drawings, paintings, examination papers, etc., which attracted much attention by their neatness and beauty. A very large number of friends and well-wishers of the school were present, and an interesting programme of songs, ecitation, etc., was given. Mr. J. F. Orde laid the financial position of the school before the audience, and speeches were made by the Lord Bishop and the Archdeacon of Ottawa. The prizes won by the successful girls at the recent examination were then presented by the Bishop.

**CHRIST CHURCH.**—The Christmas services were particularly bright and joyous in their character. At 7 a.m. the first celebration of the Holy Communion was held, followed by another at 8. These were taken by the clergy of the Church, while that at 11 a.m. was taken by the Lord Bishop. The Archdeacon preached the sermon. The communicants at the three services numbered 359. The well-known Christmas hymns were well sung, and the anthem, "Arise, shine, for thy light is come," by F. C. Maker, was admirably rendered by the choir. During the offertory, Nazareth (by Gounod) was sung. On the succeeding Sunday the Christmas music was repeated by the choir, and the Bishop preached at evensong.

At the annual meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, held in December, Mr. J. F. Orde was elected director, and Mr. George Hopper, secretary-treasurer. There are now in the chapter, besides the clergy, eight members and two probationers, who are to be admitted at once. There is also in connection with the chapter three old members now pursuing their studies at the University of Trinity College in preparation for the work of the ministry.

**St. JOHN'S.**—The services on Christmas Day were well attended. The church was very

nically decorated with evergreens and flowers by the King's Daughters, under the direction of Mrs. Codville. There were three celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, namely, at 7.30, 8.15, and 11. The communicants numbered about two hundred and eighty. The musical portion of the services was very well rendered, and the offertory, which was equal to that of previous years, was presented to the clergy. Watch-night service was held, to see the new year in and the old year out. The Rev. Mr. Mackay preached a sermon full of bright and encouraging thoughts, selecting his text from Rev. ii. 10, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." The offertory, according to the usual custom, was presented to the organist.

A Sunday-school festival was held in the school-hall, Jan. 6th. The affair was a most enjoyable one for the little ones. The cantata, "Santa Claus' Dream," was presented with good effect, and served to perpetuate the happy associations of the Christmas festival. There were fully fifty children assisting in its production, while the hall itself was filled with the bright, expectant faces of the scholars.

A similar festival was held at the Anglesea Square Mission on the 7th, under the charge of Rev. A. W. Mackay. From a Christmas tree loaded with gifts each child present was made happy by receiving one of them.

A brass tablet was put up in St. John's Church on Christmas Day by Mrs. Flynn, in memory of her husband, who will always be remembered as an active worker in both the church and Sunday-school.

**GRACE CHURCH.**—There were two services on Christmas Day, at 8 and 11. At the former there were over fifty communicants, whilst at the latter there were about eighty who remained to communion. The services were bright and hearty. The new communion service by Stainer was sung for the first time by a full choir, very reverently and effectively. The anthem, which was an adaptation of the hymn, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," was pretty, and the bass solo with which it begins was nicely sung by Mr. C. Blanchet. A solo appropriate to the season was also rendered by Miss Garfoot during the offertory. The decorations were quite elaborate; the altar was tastefully arranged with choice white flowers, and the white curtain at the back of the altar was gracefully festooned with long strings of evergreen. The women of the Guild, with the president, Mrs. Crombie, must have worked very arduously to make the church look so handsome.

The Lord Bishop held confirmation in Grace Church the Sunday before Christmas. There were eight candidates presented for the apostolic rite. The Bishop delivered an exhaustive