

## THE EASTER MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the Vestry was held on Easter Monday. The Rector in the chair.

The Churchwardens' Report was presented.

The report has been published in an extra number of the *Parish Journal*.

The Rector appointed Mr. Chadwick as one of the Churchwardens.

Mr. Murray nominated Mr. Harman, who however, declined the appointment, when Mr. Henderson nominated Mr. Harry Hayes, who was appointed.

Mr. W. J. Baines nominated the Sidesmen, including all those of last year except Mr. Lightbourn, who is about changing his residence to a distance, and Mr. Hayes appointed Churchwarden, with the following new names: Messrs. G. F. Harman, W. P. Burrowes-Close, and Wm. Bain.

Dr. Snelling and Mr. McCarthy were reappointed members of the Parochial Tribunal, on motion of Dr. Lough.

The by-law for the establishment of a St. George's Scholarship in Trinity College was then read a third time and passed. Mr. Henderson, in moving the third reading, stated that about \$950 had been subscribed, and he had no doubt the amount required, \$1,000, would be fully made up.

Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Henderson, introduced a resolution to authorize a grant in aid of purchasing a site for the proposed new Church of St. Mary Magdalene. It was stated that the promoters of the scheme for the erection of that parish expected to obtain a site for about \$1,000, one-half of which we are asked to provide, the other half being undertaken by another of the older parishes. The amount would be payable on very easy terms, so that only a small amount each year would be required.

On motion of Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. G. F. Harman, Messrs. Beverley Jones, Henderson, and Chadwick, were appointed a committee to make enquiries, and to report at the adjourned meeting.

The Rector stated that steps had been taken for the establishment of Mission Rooms at one or two points in this parish with very gratifying success, and explained the difficulties which were encountered for want of suitable rooms, upon

which it was moved by Mr. G. F. Harman seconded by Mr. Murray, that a committee consisting of Messrs. Chadwick, Henderson, Jones, and Frank Cayley should enquire and report upon a site in the neighbourhood of Soho street.

The meeting then adjourned.

The meeting for election of Lay representatives was held on Easter Monday, the Rector in the Chair.

Messrs. H. W. M. Murray, E. M. Chadwick, and Elmes Henderson were nominated, and there being no other nominations, they were declared elected.

The adjourned Vestry Meeting was held on Monday, 25th April.

Rev. R. J. Moore took the Chair, the Rector being absent from town.

The Churchwardens' statements, duly verified according to law were presented, and their Report presented at the annual meeting was adopted.

Mr. Henderson, for the Committee, appointed to consider the application for aid to the projected Parish of S. Mary Magdalene, reported favourably to the proposal, but recommending that the matter should stand until further arrangements should be made by the promoters of the scheme, a site for the Church not yet having been decided upon or secured.

Mr. Baines offered some practical suggestions with regard to securing a site, and a clause was added to the report recommending that this vestry should join in an application to the North American Land Company for that purpose, and the report was then adopted.

Mr. Frank Cayley reported that the Committee named at the last meeting had had three sites for a Mission Chapel under consideration, and recommended the selection of one on Phœbe Street, which is offered for sale or lease renewable.

Mr. Cumberland considered that the property should be purchased and not leased, and this view was supported by Mr. Henderson and others.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Boyd, the report was adopted, and the Rector, Rev. R. J. Moore, Mr. Frank Cayley, and the Churchwardens, were appointed a Committee to deal with the matter, with power to purchase the