

municants at both services. The usual Christmas hymns were sung from hymns A. and M. and the anthem, "Sing O Heavens" by Tours and the other musical portions of the service, were all sung in a manner that reflected great credit upon the members of the choir. In the afternoon the Rector, the (Rev. J. H. S. Sweet) drove to the Parish of Nelson and held a Christmas service there in the new church of St. Mark. On the Sunday following the church people of Nelson had the privilege of making their Christmas Communion.

A watch-night service was held in St. Andrew's Church at 11.30, New Year's Eve, when quite a large congregation gathered together to spend the last moments of the old, and the first moments of the New Year on their knees in the House of God. The Rector delivered a short address appropriate to the occasion, after which the whole congregation knelt and repeated together the LI. Psalm. Silence was then kept in the Church while the bell tolled as the old year was passing away, the congregation remaining on their knees in secret prayer and meditation.

On the Feast of the Circumcision Matins were said at 10 a. m., followed by a celebration.

The Feast of the Epiphany was, as usual, in this Parish, observed in a suitable manner. There were morning prayers and a celebration at 10 a. m., and evening at 7.30.

On the first Thursday in the New Year, January 7th, the annual meeting took place at the Rectory of "The Young Women's Guild of St. Andrew"—an association which, for the last ten years has been a great and unfailing help to the Rector in all matters appertaining to the Church's work in the Parish. The Secretary's Report was presented by Miss Sargeant, and was a very satisfactory one. The year was begun with a balance in hand of \$54.23 after all previous expenses were paid. The annual sale was held on July 9th and realized \$127.81. During the year the Guild had provided the Church with a handsome chancel carpet, and linoleum for the aisles, and in addition had undertaken some necessary repairs in connection with the Church fence, the re-hanging of the Church bell, and the Rectory. The Report concluded with the words: "The Guild has, perhaps, not had as many 'Orders' as in previous years, but everything is so dull in a business way, and money so scarce, that we ought to be thankful to show as good a financial Report as we have done—to have paid all our debts and start a new year with something on the credit side of our balance sheet."

The Financial Statement was presented by the Treasurer—Mrs. Davidson, and showed Receipts \$161.29, and Expenditure \$153.31 with balance on hand of \$8.22.

After the signing of the Rules and Regulations of the Guild, previously read by the Rector, the following were elected by ballot as officers for the ensuing year: *President*, Mrs. Sweet; *Vice-President*, Mrs. Harley; *Secretary*, Mrs. Davidson; *Treasurer*, Miss Sargeant.

As news of a different nature it may be as well to mention that the annual Christmas Tree and entertainment was given to the scholars of the Sunday School on Tuesday, January 12th. A sumptuous and bountiful tea was provided for the children, after which the Rector distributed the various presents from the Tree. All were remembered. Before the close of the proceedings the Rector read out the marks obtained by the children during the past year. The prize winners were:—1st Boys' Class, [1] Brownlow

Maltby; [2] Jack Sweet. 2nd Boys' Class, [1] Stamford Linden, [2] Vernon Golightly. 3rd Boys' Class, [1] Thomas Maltby, [2] Ernest Maltby. 4th Boys' Class, [1] John McCormick, [2] Harold Russell. 1st Girls' Class, [1] Etta Norman, [2] Mary White. 2nd Girls' Class, [1] Marion Wright, [2] Addie Taylor. 3rd Girls' Class, [1] Lenna Layton, [2] Eliza McCormick. The following statistics show the condition of the school:—On roll January 1st, 1891, 68; added during year, 8. Total for year 1891, 76. Removed, 21, making total on roll January 1st, 1892, 55. The large number removed during the year is attributed to the fact that several families have left the town during the past twelve months.

ST. JOHN.

A public memorial service in memory of His Royal Highness Prince Albert Victor, Duke of Clarence and Avondale, was held at noon on the 20th January in Trinity church, and was of a very impressive character. The congregation was a large one, almost every seat in the spacious edifice being occupied. The members of the City Council and of the St. George's Society occupied the front seats. All the St. George's Society members wore mourning badges. The reading desk, pulpit and chancel were draped in mourning.

The service began at 12 o'clock, when, to the music of Beethoven's funeral march, played by Mr. R. Percy Strand, the surpliced choirs of Trinity, St. Paul's and the Mission churches, and Rev. Canons Brigstocke, DeVerber and Schofield and Rev. Messrs. James, Raymond, Hudgell, de Soyres, Titcombe, Eatough, Sampson, Mathers, and Hoyt of Andover, marched in and took their places, the congregation all standing.

Hymn No. 328, "A Few More Years Shall Roll," was then sung by the choir and congregation, after which Rev. C. J. James began the special service, which was a combination of the morning service of the Episcopal church with the service for the dead. The psalms xxxix. and xc. were chanted by the choir, and then the Rev. J. de Soyres read the lesson, the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians, beginning at the 20th verse.

Hymn No. 405, "Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now Can No Longer Death Appal Us," was sung and then the Apostles' Creed was repeated, Rev. W. O. Raymond leading. He read the concluding portions of the service for the burial of the dead, and then hymn No. 191, "The Saints of God! Their Conflict Past," was sung.

Rev. Canon DeVerber, preached from Romans, chapter 12, verse 15: "Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep." The service was conducted by the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, Rector of the parish.

ST. PAUL'S.

The annual meeting of St. Paul's Needlework and Women's Aid Society was held at the house of the president, Mrs. W. H. DeVerber, on Monday evening, 18th January, Rev. Canon DeVerber in the chair. The annual report stated that they had a membership of seventy, that the meetings of the society during the past year had been unusually interesting and well attended, that at a full meeting of the committee of management, held Oct. 26th, it had been unanimously decided to change the Christmas sale into a July garden party to be held in Mr. J. Douglas Hazen's grounds, which have been kindly offered for the purpose.

Miss Coster presented the report of the Junior Branch. Its meetings had been well attended. Two sales with tableaux had been held during the year, realizing \$83.90, with the balance from last year giving them \$153.90. From that sum ten dollars had been given for Home missions.

Miss Wright reported for the "Kitting Society," that although knitting was not as saleable as formerly, she had twenty dollars on hand, with which it was decided to purchase a ewer for the font. The reports were adopted and ordered to be printed. An appropriation of forty dollars was made to the rector for the purchase of a wardrobe for the vestry. The following officers were elected:

Mrs. W. H. DeVerber, president and treasurer; Mrs. G. Sidney Smith, Mrs. Wm. Hazen, vice-presidents; Miss Murray, secretary. Committee of management—Mrs. J. C. Allison, Mrs. Harris Allan, Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Busby, Mr. W. C. Drury, Mrs. B. C. B. Boyd, Mrs. Jas. Jack, Mrs. Boies DeVerber, Mrs. J. Harrison, Mrs. T. R. Jones, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Starr, Miss Wright, Miss F. Symonds. Committee of the Junior Branch—Miss Coster, Miss A. C. Symonds.

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MAGOG.

St. Luke's annual Sunday school festival came off on Saturday evening, January 16th. There was a feast of good things in the Guild hall at the parsonage, followed by an uncommonly good and largely attended entertainment in the Town Hall, consisting of a fairy play in two parts, entitled "The Rainbow Prince," an excellent recitation by Miss Bently, "The Life Boat," a sweetly tendered song by Miss Lydia Brown-sword, accompanied by Miss Lizzie Judd, entitled "That is Love," and a capital concluding farce entitled "The greatest Plague in Life" or "Topsy Pudding." The Battalion band added largely to the enthusiasm of the occasion by playing in good style, taking selections at intervals. At the conclusion of the programme the Rev. R. C. Tambs announced the prize-winners of the school. The following stand at the head of their respective classes: Miss Annie Dolphin (head of the school), Earle Martin, Ralph Somers, John Stansfield, Hattie Copp, Herbert Willows, Freddie Sheddric and Emily Willows. The teachers deserve much praise for their work in the school, and, together with other helpers, for this most successful festival. The scenic effects of the fairy play were exceedingly pretty and reflect the greatest credit upon the directing and managing head and hands of Miss Fanny Hall.

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MEMORIAL SERVICE.—The Synod Memorial Service on the occasion of the death and interment of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale took place in Christ Church Cathedral at noon on the 20th day of January, inst. The Cathedral was filled in every part and the service was most solemn, reverent and impressive. An invitation had been sent by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese to the Honorable the Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, for Lower Canada, and his puisne Judges, and to the Judges of Her Majesty's Superior Court, to be present at the service; and representatives from both Courts attended, viz., the Hon. Mr.