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The adjourned Vestry Meeting is to be held on Monday, 28th April, 8 p.m.

CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, TORONTO,
EASTER, 1884.

The financial statement submitted herewith shews a considerable increase in both offertory and pew rents. The latter is chiefly due to the increased rate of pew rents fixed by the Vestry last Easter. With regard to the former the increase is not so great as it seems, because this has been a year of unusual length, and the previous one was correspondingly short, the actual increase being something less than an average of \$3 per Sunday

Our expenses during the past year have been unavoidably greater than we anticipated, so that we have been unable to make the reduction in our debt which was proposed in the Churchwardens' Report of last Easter, and we are also obliged to close the year's account with a deficit balance.

The congregation having been kept well informed of all matters of interest in the parish through the medium of the Parish Journal, it is unnecessary for us to refer to various matters which we would otherwise feel called upon to notice.

With the concurrence of the Rector, we recently took steps towards raising a fund with the object of improving and decorating the Church in the manner frequently discussed at Vestry meetings and otherwise during the past five or six years, and if possible of paying off the existing debt also. So far we can only consider this to have been partially successful, as we had looked for sufficient support to have enabled the work to be proceeded with at an early date, but the amount subscribed is not yet sufficient to warrant our commencing it, as we do not consider it advisable to go on until we can do so with means in hand to carry out whatever portion is undertaken.

We cannot close without referring to the indifference of the majority of the congregation, with regard to the annual declaration of qualification for voters to elect lay delegates to the Synod. The Churchwardens took every means in their power to call the attention of members of the congregation to this at the proper time, but only an insignificant number availed themselves of the privilege of registering as voters.

E. M. CHADWICK, }
G. F. HARMAN, } Churchwardens.