

their taste and skill. The monastery has become a kind of municipal museum. It was interesting to see the long boat in which Charles the III. was rowed in state on great occasions: the same may be said of the royal carriage, which is more grand than tasteful or comfortable. I left Naples deeply impressed with the desolation of Pompeii, and with the deepest admiration for the Greek sculptures, the Roman frescoes and mosaics, and the Italian pictures, all of which are found in the museum. One is simply amazed at the power thrown into such a bust as Homer's, such a group of statuary as that by Apollonius, or such a statue as Glekin's Hercules, or such an equestrian statue as that of Balbo; and the mosaics and frescoes found in the rich houses in Pompeii are beyond belief for their beauty of design and their perfect workmanship; they are, moreover, as fresh as if done a few years ago. One must see both Pompeii and the museum to get an accurate idea of the full life of a city in the first century. A Roman house could be literally reconstructed with every article of furniture from a thimble to a four-poster; from a spoon to a hip-bath; from a skewer to a kitchen range; from a small hand lamp to a large candelabra; from a finger ring to a necklace; from a theatre ticket to a tradesman's signboard; free tickets were literally dead heads—imitation skulls; from a tiny child's money box to a huge chest-safe; from children's toys to a beautiful mosaic drawing-room table; from a drinking cup to a large marble fountain for the court yard. As to pictures I concentrated my attention to Raphael's Madonna (a sweetly beautiful picture); Titian's Magdalene, so full of real sorrow; and Salvator Rosa's Christ with the Doctors; to have seen these is to have added new glorious masterpieces to one's former store, and having been carefully scrutinized, they will be mental pictures to be reproduced at will, and hence possessions not for one day, but for all the days till time shall be no more.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

NOVA SCOTIA.

FREDERICK COURTNEY, D.D., BISHOP, HALIFAX.

HALIFAX.—*St. Luke's Cathedral*.—On Palm Sunday the Bishop of Nova Scotia confirmed 42 candidates at *St. Luke's*, who had been prepared by the rector, 21 males and 21 females. The services of Holy Week were well attended: the Three Hours' service on Good Friday especially being noteworthy, as many being present throughout as would form a good Sunday congregation. The addresses were delivered by the rector, it being the fourth time he has taken them. The rector also preached at 10.30 a.m., and at 7.30 p.m. Easter began for *St. Luke's* with choral Evensong at 8 o'clock on Easter eve. There were as usual four celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7, 8, and 10 a.m., and also at 12.30 p.m. The bishop took the 7 o'clock celebration, at which there were 136 communicants. The 8 o'clock was choral and was sung by the rector, the service used being Agutter's "Amphibole" service; at this celebration there were 187 communicants. The Rev. W. J. Ancient celebrated at 10 a.m., and again there were 104 communicants, whilst at 12.30 there were still 94 more, a total of 521 communicants, the largest number ever known in the history of the parish. Another feature of the Easter celebration at *St. Luke's* which made it a red-letter day was the large offering. During Lent a special prayer had been used every day that God would "incline the hearts of His people to give liberal and willing offerings," and special envelopes had been sent to all the parishioners. The response on Easter Day was most gratifying, 192 persons contributing a total of \$711.50; this with other offerings made during the week, totalled a sum of \$930. At Evensong a solemn *Te Deum* was sung just before the blessing for the gracious answer to the Church's prayers.

QUEBEC.

ANDREW H. DUNN, D.D., BISHOP, QUEBEC.

SHERBROOKE.—The Easter vestry meeting held last Monday night at *St. Peter's Church Hall* passed off quietly. Mr. H. R. Fraser and Mr. J. A. Ready were re-named churchwardens.

ST. JOHN'S.—*St. James'*.—The financial statement was most satisfactory, showing a surplus of \$263 of available assets in the year's transactions. The total receipts were \$2,260, including \$300 contributed by the Ladies' Aid Association. The principal sources of revenue were from pew rents and envelope collections, and both were well maintained during the year. Wardens, J. B. Stewart and Henderson Black. Representatives, E. R. Smith and W. M. Rider.

CLARENCEVILLE.—*St. George's*.—Wardens, T. Hunter and H. P. Young. Representatives, Alex. T. Hunter and W. Meade Pattison.

MAGOG.—*St. Luke's*.—The warden's account showed a balance on hand of \$22.08, which was applied to the church insurance just falling due. Mr. Henry Sweeney was appointed representative to the Diocesan Synod. The completion of business was postponed till Monday evening next, April 26th.

SWEETSBURG.—*Christ Church*.—The financial statement presented at the Easter vestry meeting was an eminently satisfactory one. The amount of cash raised at this end of the parish during the year amounted to a little over \$800; the debt on the church has been paid up, and arrangements will soon be made to have the edifice consecrated. Wardens, H. T. Duffy and Dr. H. L. Fuller. Representatives, Sheriff Cotton and Mr. Duffy.

GRANBY.—*St. George's*.—Wardens, H. N. Galer and R. T. Seale. Representatives, J. Bruce Payne and W. H. Robinson.

RICHMOND.—*St. Anne's*.—The report presented by the wardens showed that the church has had a most successful year; necessary improvements had been made, yet the debt had been reduced by about \$700. Wardens, F. T. Mappin and Wm. Spier. Representative, R. J. Hewton.

MONTREAL.

WILLIAM B. BOND, D.D., BISHOP, MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—*Christ Church Cathedral*.—At the vestry meeting there was a large attendance. The financial statement for the year, submitted by the churchwardens, was a most satisfactory one, showing a substantial balance on hand after the payment of all accounts to date. Through the efforts of the collecting committee, appointed at last year's vestry, the floating debt of \$2,000 on the restoration account had, during the year, been completely wiped out. The retiring wardens, Messrs. F. S. Foster and W. A. Gundlack, were re-appointed. Hon. Acting Chief Justice Tait and Mr. R. Evans were again elected representatives to Synod.

ST. GEORGE'S.—At the vestry meeting the annual report of the wardens, which was read, showed the receipts from pew rents to have been \$9,146.43, and from collections \$9,199.77, a total of \$18,355.20. The debt of the church is now only about \$4,000. An effort will be made to clear this off during the year. A resolution of sympathy with the Dean in his recent illness, urging him to take a leave of absence for four months, was adopted, the congregation agreeing to assume the responsibility for such arrangements as he might make for the services during his absence. James Crathern and Geo. C. Drummond were re-elected wardens. Richard White and A. F. Gault had been elected as representatives to the Synod.

GRACE CHURCH.—The vestry meeting was well attended. The churchwardens' report was read and showed a satisfactory condition of the church's finances. Wardens, W. G. Glace and Thos. Hunt. Representatives to Synod, W. McWood and Geo. Outram.

ST. MATHIAS.—The wardens' report was most satisfactory, and showed the affairs of the church to be in a most prosperous condition. Wardens, H. Holgate and H. E. Suckling. Lieut.-Col. Sweeny and J. Hill were elected representatives to the Synod. The proposed new church was discussed at some length, and a building committee appointed with full power to proceed with its construction.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT.—The churchwardens' annual report was most satisfactory. Wardens, Geo. Durnford and W. L. Matley. J. W. Marling and F. Fowler were elected representatives to Synod.

ST. SIMON'S.—At the vestry meeting the churchwardens' report was read. Wardens, James Armstrong and James Brown. Representatives, H. A. Cleghorn and J. E. Binns. By a unanimous vote the rector's salary was augmented by \$400, which he gracefully acknowledged in a brief address.

ALL SAINTS.—The churchwardens' report showed the receipts for the year to have been \$1,237.33, and the expenditure \$1,236.08, leaving a balance on hand of \$1.30. Wardens, W. Swift and F. A. Miller. Representatives, A. W. Stevenson and J. W. Cole.

ST. MARY'S.—The financial statement as read at the vestry meeting, showed the church's debt to have been completely cleared off during the year and a balance on hand of \$123.15 to have taken its place. Wardens, Edwin Chippendale and Dr. Aylen. Representatives, C. E. Gault and R. A. Dickson.

ST. THOMAS.—The financial statement showed the gross receipts to have been \$2,741.31, and the liabilities \$359. The amounts collected for special and mission funds were \$570.17. The Easter offertory, \$212.20, was devoted to the mission fund of the diocese. Wardens, R. S. Hardiner and E. J. Carey. Representatives, Walter Drake and J. H. Spicer.

ST. LUKE'S.—The financial statement showed receipts of \$2,269.01, and expenditures \$2,196.75, leaving a balance on hand of \$43.26. Wardens, R. J. Parker and Thos. Hayes. Representative, T. E. Lamb, Sr.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.—The financial report of the

wardens was entirely satisfactory. Wardens, J. J. M. Pangman and W. H. A. Eckhart. Representatives, F. Wolferstan Thomas and A. G. Brooke Claxton.

TRINITY CHURCH.—The financial statement submitted by the wardens showed receipts of \$3,652.46, and expenditure \$3,132.15, which includes a payment of \$1,000 on the mortgage debt, leaving a surplus of \$520.31. Wardens, A. Baile, E. H. Lydon. Representatives, Chas. Garth and Henry Miles. The reports from the various organizations showed them all to be in an encouraging condition.

ST. MARTIN'S.—The financial report of the wardens showed that the revenue for the past year amounted to \$10,077.92, and the contributions to missions and outside objects, \$1,957.12. The debt of the church had been reduced by \$1,000. Wardens, Strachan Bethune, Q.C., and his worship Mayor Wilson Smith. Representatives, Strachan Bethune and G. P. Cleghorn.

ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE.—The financial reports, submitted by the wardens, showed that some \$1,700 of the debt on the church had been paid out of the ordinary receipts. Wardens, G. J. Crowdy and Frank Kennedy. Representatives, Geo. Hague and E. P. Hanniford.

ST. JUDE'S.—Wardens, Norman Wight and John Forgrave. Representatives, T. S. Moore and R. J. Lockhart.

ST. PHILIP'S.—The wardens' report showed a small balance on hand. Wardens, E. J. Bédbrooke and J. J. Kirkpatrick.

GRANBY.—Wardens H. N. Galer and T. R. Seale. Representatives, J. Bruce Payne and W. H. Robinson.

LONGUEUIL.—Wardens, F. S. McClure and T. Blaikie. Representatives, Dr. J. P. Butler and W. J. Gear.

BACK RIVER.—The wardens' report was very satisfactory and showed the church to be in a prosperous condition. Wardens, A. Crewe and Jas. Hewton. Representatives, Ellis Kidd and Albert Hewton.

FREELIGHTSBURG.—Wardens, Major Westover and Peter Young. Representatives, Major Westover and Cecil A. Barton.

FARNHAM.—*St. James'*.—The returns for the year were in every instance highly satisfactory. Wardens, W. L. Hubbard and C. E. Traver. Representatives, G. E. Londe and C. E. Traver.

SOUTH STUKELY.—*St. Matthew's*.—Wardens, Mason A. Martin and Enjah Booth. Representatives, J. J. Honey and C. E. B. Reid.

EASTMAN.—*St. John's*.—The reports showed the remarkable work this congregation has accomplished during the past year and the prospect for the coming year looked bright and encouraging. Wardens, E. J. Ety and A. J. Whitehead.

KNOWLTON.—*St. Paul's*.—Finances made a good showing, in spite of arrearages of payment upon investment, the wardens' accounts for the year being made to balance then and there, \$234 having been paid upon the floating debt in addition to \$174 in interest. Wardens, S. F. Belknap and Dr. Macgowan. Representatives, Judge Foster and S. F. Belknap.

GRENVILLE.—Wardens, A. Ridham and A. Bridget. Representatives, W. Wade and E. Winfield.

ONTARIO.

J. T. LEWIS, D.D., LL.D., ARCHBISHOP OF ONT., KINGSTON.

BROCKVILLE.—*St. Peter's*.—There was a fair attendance at the annual vestry meeting held last night in the school room, with the Archdeacon in the chair. The reports presented showed the results of the year's operations to have been very satisfactory in the different branches of the church work. The Archdeacon read a carefully prepared report in which he stated there had been received in the way of gifts, improvements in the church furniture, etc., the value of \$2,000. The ordinary income totalled in the aggregate about \$2,500, leaving a balance in the treasury. C. J. Jackson and H. E. Snyder were elected church wardens and Judge McDonald, W. H. McConkey, R. Lepsett, G. H. Weatherhead, A. H. Hume, A. G. Bowie, J. McConkey, and H. Rath, sidesmen. Judge McDonald was re-elected lay delegate. The deliberations of the meeting were conducted in a very harmonious manner throughout, and the outlook for the coming year was never better in the history of old *St. Peter's*.

TRINITY.—The annual Easter vestry meeting of Trinity church was held on Monday night, 19th inst., and the report for the year was presented. The financial condition of the church is very satisfactory, considering the stringency of the times and the hard winter that has just passed. An amount equivalent to the running expenses for the year has been raised, and nearly one hundred dollars paid off the floating debt of last year. The Trinity Church Guild have raised in the past year over \$635, and the income of the five cent fund collected by the ladies reached the satisfactory sum of \$420. The rector appointed