

balance of receipts over expenditures was shown. The ordinary Sunday offertories had already reached the average of over \$40.00. The report of the Treasurer of the Building Committee showed that of some \$4,900 of subscriptions promised, over \$1,500 had been paid in.

The Rector appointed Mr. C. S. Shaw as his Warden for the balance of the Church year, and Mr. John Walsh was elected People's Warden.

A "Finance and Business Committee" was appointed to assist the Churchwardens in managing the temporalities of the church. Such a Committee, though its institution is within the canonical powers of the Vestry, is not altogether usual as part of the machinery of a congregation. In St. George's Church it has been found most useful in assisting the Churchwardens in dealing with special matters, and its formal appointment has continued to the present time as a part of the business of the annual Vestry. The first Finance Committee consisted of Messrs. Magee, Adamson, Shaw, Cambie, Burn, Arnoldi, Avery, Mosgrove, Butterworth and Lee.

The arrangement by which Messrs. Magee, Cambie, Adamson and Shaw held the Church property as Trustees, was confirmed by the Vestry.

At the Congregational Meeting, held after the Vestry meeting, delegates to Synod were elected; Capt. H. F. Perley, for three years; Mr. Geo. Burn, for two years, and Mr. Vernon Nicholson, for one year.

At Easter, 1886, the congregation comprised 198 families, or 750 individuals, of whom 300 were communicants. By 1889 the number of adherents had increased to 1100, and the congregation ranked, in the city of Ottawa, next in numbers to St. John's Church, and about equal to Christ Church. This increase does not appear to have been at the expense of the other Parishes.

Much liberality was shown by the new Parish in contributions to outside objects, including Diocesan Missions, and Domestic and Foreign Missions. In its first year, it rose to first place in the Diocese of Ontario as regards contributions to the latter objects. It may be permitted in this regard to quote from the report to the Synod of 1886, of the Chairman of the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions. "The Deanery of Frontenac no longer heads the list in the contributions of the past year. Its offerings have been \$633.19, while those of the Deanery of Carleton have been \$1,161.74. This result is partly to be attributed to the efforts of the new Parish of St. George's in Ottawa, which Parish directly and through the Woman's Auxiliary has contributed \$722 to this fund." The contribution here referred to, of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church, amounted to \$448, which went towards the support of a Missionary at Rounthwaite, Manitoba. St. George's continued to hold first place in contributions to this object until 1890, the contribution from the Parish rising to \$897.45 in 1889. It ranked well also in its contributions to the Diocesan Mission Fund.

The first Confirmation in St. George's Church was held by the Lord Bishop of Ontario, on January 3rd, 1886, when 14 candidates were presented.