

Ottawa (Dr. Lauder) presided and Mr. Scott was called upon to officiate as secretary.

The churchwardens' report was as follows:—

Revenue—Balance on hand, \$188.51; pew rents, \$275.09; offertory, \$1,907.40. Special collections: Protestant Hospital, \$114.58; Ladies' Benevolent Society, \$105.09; for the Synod, \$453.62; U. E. Loyalist memorial church, \$45.93; decorating committee, \$7.25; subscriptions to debenture, \$187.00. Total, \$5,785.42.

Expenditure—Interest on \$17,000 debentures, \$1,100; clergy, \$1,486.84; Xmas collection, clergy, \$145; organist, \$500; sexton, \$300; incidentals, \$791.20; special collections, \$219.67; collected for Synod, \$448.62; towards U. E. Loyalists, \$45.93; donation to organist, \$25; new furnace, \$195; repairs to furnace, \$217.72; repairs to church, \$33.50; on account of \$1,000 debentures due 1st March, \$187. Total, \$5,785.

Moved by Mr. R. C. W. MacCuaig, seconded by Mr. R. J. Dawson, that the statement of accounts by the churchwardens be accepted and entered on the minutes.—Carried.

Archdeacon Lauder appointed Mr. W. H. Rowley as his churchwarden for the current year.

Moved by Dr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Fuller, that Mr. G. A. Mothersill be the peoples Churchwarden for the same term.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Mothersill, seconded by Mr. Rowley, that Messrs. W. R. Wright, G. W. Wicksteed, J. Scott, C. W. Mitchell, F. J. Grant, E. P. Remon, John Christie, W. Cousens, G. B. Greene, C. J. Anderson, Robertson and E. B. Butterworth be the sidesmen for the current year.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Code, that the vestry do now adjourn to Monday next, the 13th inst., at 7.30 p.m. when the Churchwardens will present the estimates for the current year.—Carried.

The vestry adjourned accordingly at 12.20 a.m.

Previous to the meeting of the vestry a meeting of the congregation was held for the election of Lay Delegates to the Diocesan Synod. On the motion of Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Arnoldi, Mr. Hartney was unanimously re-elected for a term of three years.

Mr. Cambie explained that he was about to leave Christ Church for St. George's Church, and resigned his position as one of the three Lay Delegates of the congregation.

Moved by Dr. Cousens, seconded by Mr. Johnson, that the resignation of Mr. Cambie be not accepted, but that he still continue one of their representatives in Synod for the unexpired term (two years) for which he had been elected.—Carried.

ST. ALBAN'S.—The vestry meeting at the Church of St. Alban the Martyr was largely attended. The deliberations were presided over by Rev. J. J. Bogert, the Rector of the Church. Owing to the churchwardens' accounts being unaudited through the death of one of the auditors, the meeting was postponed to next Monday evening in order to give new auditors an opportunity to perform that work.

At a meeting of the congregation which was subsequently held, Mr. Alfred Patrick was elected representative to the Diocesan Synod in the stead of Mr. J. M. Courtney, who declined re-election owing to pressure of business preventing him fulfilling the duties of the office.

N. W. EDINBURGH.—St. Bartholomew's Church.

The annual vestry meeting was held in this church on Easter Monday evening and the following officers for the ensuing year were duly elected: churchwardens, Hon. O. H. Lambert and Mr. T. M. Clark; Vestry Clerk, Mr. John Graham; Sidesmen, Messrs. John Graham, John Bell, Thos. Short, W. J. Tilley, H. Avery, H. H. Irving, W. Stewart, and Wm. Proctor. Mr. J. F. Shaw was elected Lay Delegate to the Synod for three years.

The financial statement showed that the affairs of the church were in a very satisfactory condition, and that, though having been called on for extra

subscriptions during the year for church improvements, the congregation had still kept up the current expenses of the parish in a most creditable manner. During the winter most extensive improvements have been made in the church. A furnace has been put in, also new pews, the ceiling has been finished, and many other alterations have been made in the interior of the building, which is now one of the prettiest and most comfortable little churches in this vicinity.

St. John the Evangelist.—The annual vestry meeting at this church was very well attended, the Rector, Rev. Mr. Pollard presiding. The report of the churchwardens showed a balance in hand of \$120. Messrs. John Stewart and George Perley were elected Churchwardens. The salary of the Curate, Rev. Mr. Mackay, was increased by \$200. Votes of thanks were passed to the retiring churchwardens, to the choir, to Capt. Perley and Lieut. Col. White for furnishing the choir with sheet music, and to Lady Tilley for presenting the decorations to the reredos.

St. Paul's Church.—The annual vestry meeting of St. Paul's Church, Rochesterville, was held in the church on Monday evening, there being a good attendance. The chairman congratulated the meeting on the harmony and progress of the past year especially the churchwardens for their zealous attendance to the duties of their office.

The chairman asked the assistance of the meeting in the selection of the Clergyman's churchwarden, and, after some discussion he appointed Mr. James Stanley. It was then unanimously resolved that Mr. H. Boyd be re-elected the people's churchwarden for the ensuing year.

The following gentlemen were appointed sidesmen, namely: Messrs. Blunt, Farmer, Foss and Cardiff.

Messrs. F. Abbott, sr., and W. T. Mason, were appointed auditors.

After some discussion with regard to the financial affairs of the church, the meeting was adjourned until Friday, 17th instant, when the various reports of the committees of the past year will be presented and other officers be appointed.

BILLINGS' BRIDGE.—Trinity Church.—At the annual Easter vestry meeting of Trinity Church, Billings' Bridge, held on Monday evening at 7 o'clock, only two members were present, viz.:—Messrs. Carson, Lay Reader, and R. C. W. MacCuaig, minister's Churchwarden. The meeting was consequently adjourned for want of a quorum till Monday the 27th instant, by which time it is understood the Incumbent, the Rev. L. C. Lee, will have returned from England.

KINGSTON.—St. James'.—The adjourned vestry was held on Monday evening, Messrs. P. Bates and S. Loynes were elected churchwardens, and Messrs. Voigt, Smith, Kearns and Hewitt, sidesmen. The accounts were presented and showed the receipts during the year to be nearly \$3000. It is proposed to enlarge the church by the addition of a transept providing 82 more sittings. The proposed improvement will cost \$3750.

St. Mark's.—Mr. R. W. Barker of London, Ontario, has placed in this church a beautiful memorial window, dedicated to his late father, Dr. Barker, and other members of the family. The window contains nearly full length figures of St. Mark and St. John with the eagle and lion as symbols at the base. The churchwardens are Major Wilmot and Mr. A. Horan.

St. Georges Cathedral.—The churchwardens elected for the present year are Messrs. R. J. Carson and Thomas Briggs. Mr. R. T. Walkem was re-elected delegate to the synod. The pew rents have been increased fifty per cent to meet an increased expenditure. The Sunday School collection in aid of the Indian houses at the Sault Ste. Marie during the past year amounted to the handsome sum of seventy dollars. The collection on the first Sunday in every month is devoted to this

purpose. The ladies of the Cathedral held a very successful sale of useful and fancy work in the Synod Hall on Friday—concluding with a pleasing entertainment in the evening.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.—This society held its regular semi-monthly meeting on the evening of the 14th. It now numbers over 100 members. The new Incumbent, the Rev. J. K. McMorine, has signified his acceptance of the office of president, to which he has been elected.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO

ORILLIA.—The Vestry meeting in St. James' School-room, on Easter Monday evening, was well attended. The Rev. A. Stewart, Incumbent, occupied the chair, and Mr. F. W. Armstrong was appointed Vestry clerk. The offertory for the charity fund amounted to \$133.10; expended \$87.92, leaving a balance on hand of \$45.18. The people's Churchwarden reported \$20.05 in hand last audit; received per envelopes, \$552.21; yearly payments, &c., \$285.26; offertory, exclusive of envelopes, \$503.29; from Ladies' Aid, \$65.14; disbursements, \$1,406.25; balance in hand \$19.70. The special collections were for Diocesan Missions, \$67.90; to the Rev. F. H. DuVernet, \$100; to the Society for the Conversion of the Jews, \$25; Foreign Missions, \$10.70; Sunday-school, \$201.97.

On motion of Mr. B. R. Rowe, the churchwardens were instructed to post up in the porch of the Church a statement of the amounts collected, objects, amounts required for general fund, deficiency or surplus to date. The suggestion was generally commended, and might be adopted in all free and open churches. The Sunday school proper has 161 names on roll; the infant class, 149; there are 17 teachers, the largest attendance was 235, and the average was upwards of 200.

BEAVERTON.—The Rev. George Love, M.A., is delivering a series of lectures on Sunday evenings in St. Paul's Church, his subject being "Modern popular conversion not the doctrine of the New Testament nor of the Church of England."

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA

ORANGEVILLE.—In this parish a large class is being prepared for Confirmation, which will likely take place about the end of June next.

The Church building was freed from debt about a year ago by a few members of the congregation; but a small sum still remains due upon the organ, a very fine instrument built by the late Warren & Son of Toronto; this sum they expect to pay off early in June, and have their church consecrated when the Bishop visits the parish for Confirmation. This will probably be the first church consecrated by the new Bishop of Niagara.

DIOCESE OF HURON

LONDON.—By invitation of His Lordship Bishop Baldwin, the teachers and officers of the various Church Sunday-schools in the city and suburbs met at the See House on Thursday evening, April 23rd. A very pleasant and profitable evening was spent.

CLERICAL CHANGES.—Rev. Jeffery Hill leaves Listowell to assume charge of Trinity Church, North Chatham; Mr. Turnbull goes from Kirkton Mission to Listowell; Mr. Cooper has left North Chatham—and indeed the Diocese—going to Michigan, U. S.; the Rev. R. Fletcher has commenced duty in Thamesville, Dresden being still vacant; the Rev. J. Taylor has resigned charge of Bayfield Mission, owing to his wife's health, which we regret to say is in a very precarious condition; the Rev. J. Holmes has sent in his resignation of Deleware Mission.

ADJOURNED EASTER VESTRIES

St. Paul's Church.—The adjourned Easter Vestry meeting of St. Paul's Church was held in the Bishop Cronyn Hall last evening. The Rector,