

Toronto, 13th January, 1900.

To the Trustee Board,
Trinity Methodist Church.

Gentlemen :

I now beg to submit the report of your Pew Steward for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

Collections. I have collected and handed over to your Treasurer the sum of \$2,987.25. This is an increase of \$100.25 on the amount collected for the previous year.

Pew Rentals. The value of the Pew Rents for the year just closed are as follows: Gallery, 13 Pew Holders renting 33 sittings at a rental of \$51.30; Ground floor, 200 Pew Holders renting 572 sittings at a rental of \$2,913.65; total, 213 Pew Holders renting 605 sittings at a rental of \$2,965.95. This is an increase rental on last year's record of \$54.40, and you will notice that the amount collected during the year exceeds the rentals by \$23.50.

Arrears. The amount outstanding on the 31st of December, considered good and carried as such to this year's business, is \$292.50, which is \$13.25 less than last year. Out of the above named arrears, \$224.50 was owing on the last quarter's rent, and \$68.00 for a longer period.

Loss. I have been obliged to write off as uncollectable \$7.25, with the one consoling thought that this is less than one-sixth of what I wrote off for 1898.

During the year I have mailed 773 accounts, receipts and letters. I have delivered myself 186 accounts, receipts and letters. The sexton has delivered 25 accounts, receipts and letters, making a total of 984 communications, without including any business transacted on Wednesday evenings or during Sundays.

It is perhaps not wise to dwell long on the past, but we are taught in commerce to strive each year to eclipse the records of the past, and to do this we must know what we have done, so this being my third