

"The highway of the upright is to depart from evil, he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul."—Prov. 16 : 17.

"We always welcome Parish and Home," says Mr. John Jewell, of Stouffville, who at one time was a sidesman of St. Paul's Church, well known to many of our readers.

At the Easter Vestry Meeting at Cameron Mr. Jeffery and Mr. Fittall were appointed Wardens, Mr. J. Naylor and Mr. J. McNabb sidesmen, and Mr. E. E. W. McGaffey delegate to the Synod.

We are glad to see that the Ontario Government at its last session passed a bill to prevent the running of Sunday street cars in most of the cities and towns of Ontario. As patriots who desire the best interests of our country and the welfare of our people, we cannot too carefully conserve the sanctity of the Lord's day.

Mrs. Lang, of Golden, B. C., kindly sent \$3 for the Good Friday collection, for work among the Jews, as no offertory for that work is taken up where she lives. It is pleasant to hear from former workers of St. Paul's Church, and to find them as interested in God's work as ever. Mrs. Lang also has a flourishing Bible Class in her far western home, and many who attended her class in Lindsay will be pleased to learn that she is keeping fairly well and strong.

The Annual Vestry Meeting was held in St. Paul's School Room on Easter Monday. The attendance was not as large as it should have been. After reading of God's word and asking His guidance, in the absence of Mr. Patrick, Mr. Flood consented to act as secretary, and read the minutes of former meetings, which were confirmed. The Rector returned thanks to God for his many blessings during the year and also to the officers and congregation for their sympathy and co-operation. He had made 881 visits during the year, had conducted 253 services, the Holy Communion had been administered on 13 Sundays and on Christmas Day, with an average attendance of 60, and a number of times privately to sick persons. During the year there had been 35 baptisms, 18 couples had been united in marriage, and some 24 persons were buried, and of the latter four had been brought from outside the parish, one had for a number of years been a member of the choir, one was for a year a sidesman, and three had for many years been connected with St. Paul's Church, and helpful in various branches of God's work. We trust that even through bereavement God may lead many souls nearer to himself. Mr. Sisson read the Churchwardens' report, which led to a good deal of discussion, and a surplus of which will be found in another place. Some thought that too much was given to Missionary work, and too little to reducing the Church debt; while the truth seems to be in most places that we spend too much on self and too little in forwarding God's work both at home and abroad. Mrs. T. Walters, Mrs. Goodwin and Dr. Burrows were elected as representatives on the Central Charity Committee. Interesting reports were given by Mr. Humphreys for the Sunday School, Mrs. Goldie for the Gleaner's Union, Mrs. Goodwin for the W. A., short summaries of which we hope to publish. A number of ladies were asked to solicit subscriptions through the envelope for church expenses and ordinary expenditure. The officers for the current year were then elected, their names will be found on the first page. We ask continued prayer that God will overrule and guide the work during the present year.

There were 116 present at the Lord's Supper on Easter day in St. Paul's.

The average attendance at St. Paul's Sunday School for the year ending Easter, 1896, was 156 as against 187 for 1897.

Twelve years ago the medical schools of London, Eng., had scarcely any representative in the mission field, now they have 74

At the adjourned Vestry Meeting the Auditors' report was adopted, a hearty vote of thanks tendered the choir, a committee appointed to consider the question of building a rectory, and steps suggested for wiping out the floating debt.

Sunday street cars in Toronto would probably lead to Sunday papers and other labour, and certainly would cause many men to work on the Lord's day. We send our boys to the city for one cause and another, so let each one, if he has friends in Toronto, do what he can to influence them to vote against Sunday cars.

Collections, St. Paul's Church, Lindsay.

	Envelopes	Loose	Total
February, . . . . .	\$83 75	\$42 31	\$126 06
March, . . . . .	82 60	37 50	120 10
W. and O. Fund, additional . . . . .			\$4 70
January Collection, " . . . . .			25
January Collection, Cambray, . . . . .			1 36

Mr. H. W. Frost, home director of the China Inland Mission, gave an interesting address on the work in China at our April missionary meeting. He described the journey out, how the missionary often felt as he neared the lands of heathen darkness, then as landed found so many who had never even heard of the God whose name is love. How at first the missionary could only *shine* for Jesus, then a little later *prattle* for God, and at last had the glorious privilege of *preaching* for the Lord Jesus. He gave instances in which the witnessing for Christ in each of these ways was wonderfully honored by God. Miss Rankin sang "The Holy Shrine," while Miss Bowes gave a missionary recitation, and members of the choir sang a quartette and so a very helpful, and we trust profitable, evening was spent.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LINDSAY.

The Churchwardens' Report for Easter, 1897, showed the following :

Receipts :

Subscriptions . . . . .	\$1,042 09	
Collections . . . . .	549 51	
Ground Rent . . . . .	547 92	
Interest on Endowment . . . . .	148 27	
Special—Collections, etc. . . . .	437 18	
		\$2,830 97

Payments :

Salaries . . . . .	\$1,437 18	
Interest on Mortgages . . . . .	510 00	
Interest on Floating Debt . . . . .	71 65	
Life Insurance . . . . .	157 11	
Light and Fuel . . . . .	150 68	
Principal on Mortgage . . . . .	200 00	
Other Expenses . . . . .	259 43	
		\$2,802 14

Balance, . . . . . \$28 83

Non-Parochial Purposes :

W. and O. Fund . . . . .	\$12 92	
Superannuation Fund . . . . .	3 00	
Missions . . . . .	276 54	\$292 46