

The solemn adoption of an adult daughter into the flock of Christ's Church, and the taking into the Pastor's arms in the laver of Regeneration one of tender years—with the death to sin and new birth to righteousness implied—flowers of Christ and prayerful hope—added to the interest of this "Day of Days."

Above 40 looked for Him in "the Breaking of Bread," and the offertory of nearly \$50 indicated remembrance of the tribute to the King of Kings.

ST. MARTINS.

The annual statement of the Church wardens at the Easter vestry meeting was satisfactory in every particular, and showed an increase of \$448.61 over the total contributions of last year. The envelopes returned the sum of \$3,763.69, and the regular offertory and contributions for missions a sum of \$6,240.14, both being larger than last year. The mortgage debt upon the parish has been reduced during the year by \$1,500, and now stands at \$15,500, \$5,000 of which is on the rectory and the balance on the church. During the five years last past the original mortgage has been reduced by \$8,600. The Finance Committee recommended the increase of the stipend of Rev. W. H. Garth, assistant, to \$750, also that the present system of voluntary offerings be continued for another year. The total amount of receipts for 1893-94 amounted to \$10,053.83. The Church wardens were able to close their accounts with a balance on hand after making larger payments than usual during the year.

STANBRIDGE EAST.

All the services of the Lenten Season were well attended, especially those of Holy Week; larger and reverent congregations assembling daily (except Good Friday, when the service was at 10.30 a.m.) at 7 p.m.

"The Seven Words from the Cross" supplied the subject of meditation throughout the week.

On Tuesday the Rector was assisted by the Rev. N. A. F. Bourne, Rector of Dunham, who preached a beautiful and impressive sermon from the text, "To-day shalt thou be with Me in Paradise." May the blessing of God rest on the touching and love-inspiring meditations of that Holy Week!

On Easter Day the S.S. scholars, who had been preparing for a few weeks previous, furnished a pleasing feature in the morning service. After Sunday school, in the Parochial Hall, where the collection for the Indian Home in the Diocese of Algoma amounted to the sum of \$5.65, they marched to the church, and there, as they filed up the centre aisle and took their places in the transept, the choir and an immense congregation joined them in singing the beautiful words of hymn 302, A. and M., and throughout the service their clear and sweet childish voices gave a special beauty to the joyous Easter service of praise, which was appreciated by all. The offertory at this service was \$18.65. The church was beautifully decorated, surpassing anything I have ever seen, resembling a veritable conservatory, so many and choice were the plants supplied and arranged by loving hands in commemoration of the rich blessing enjoyed by mankind through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On Monday evening at 8 o'clock the annual vestry meeting was held in the Parochial Hall, and was very largely attended by both ladies and gentlemen. The meeting was both interesting and encouraging. The church warden's reports were read and passed, and were considered very satisfactory, showing a cash balance on hand of \$58.40 after paying all expenses up to date.

Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the retiring officers, church wardens, sidesmen,

delegates, organist, choir, and to Mrs. Cornell and Mrs. A. Beatty, for their kind and efficient aid in the several departments of Church work during the past year; the Rector specially thanking them, as a vestry and as a congregation, for the extreme kindness shown to Mrs. Rollit and himself since their advent in the Parish.

The following resolution was unanimously carried: Moved by Mr. L. K. Palmer, seconded by Mr. E. H. Eaton,—

"That the vestry of St. James' church in annual session desire to place on record their sincere feelings of sympathy with Miss Constantine, daughter of the late Incumbent, and for so many years resident in this Parish, in her late bereavement, and pray that in all her grief she may be abundantly sustained from on High."

Further, "That a copy of this resolution be sent to Miss Constantine, now in England; and also to the Church paper of the Diocese for publication."

The following officers were then appointed for the ensuing year: Rector's warden, H. Beatty; People's warden, M. S. Coruell; Sidesmen, Messrs. R. Holloway and E. H. Baker; Delegates to Synod, Messrs. L. K. Palmer and D. B. Knight.

Diocese of Ontario.

OTTAWA.

Large offertories are reported to have been the rule on Easter Day, Christ Church leading, so it is said, with \$261.00.

Considerable interest was manifested in the election of Lay delegates to Synod in view of the probability of their being called upon to assist in choosing the first Bishop of the proposed Diocese of Ottawa.

HINTONBURG.

St. Matthias.—The congregation has increased threefold since the appointment of the Rev. W. H. Green. Thanks were given at the Easter vestry meeting for the following numerous gifts to the church, viz., pulpit, antependium, font, reading desk and new carpet.

KINGSTON.

The services of the Queen Festival of Easter appear to have been, generally speaking, very well attended, the offertories large, and the number of Communicants in excess of former years.

BARRIEFIELD.

St. Mark's.—The Easter Day offerings were nearly \$72. Total receipts for the year, \$1,465.

WOLFE ISLAND.

Trinity.—Offerings for the year, exclusive of Christmas and Easter, \$122. A new vestry was added to the church last February. At Garden Island Mr. Anthony Malone has presented a handsome large brass receiving alms basin, which was used for the first time on Easter Day.

TAMWORTH.

Christ Church.—On Easter Day there were two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, 78 Communicants being present. The church was tastefully decorated with flowers and plants.

SYDENHAM.

St. Paul's Church.—The church was beautifully decorated for the Festival of Easter. A new reredos and frontals for lectern and pulpit were in use, and also, for the first time, a rich and handsome set of altar linen presented to the church by Mrs. Lyford Freeburn, of Gaudier, Ohio, in memory of her mother.

ADOLPHUSTOWN.

St. Alban's, U.E.L.—Easter services most inspiring. Vestry on Easter Monday arranged for the erection of a new woven wire fence around the church yard.

CAMDEN EAST.

St. Luke's.—Large congregations and numerous Communicants in all three churches on Easter Day. At Easter vestry meeting the church wardens presented a most satisfactory financial statement.

ODESSA.

St. Alban's.—Services very bright and hearty on Easter Day. One adult and three children were baptized at that held at 11 a.m. Miss Brown, lady missionary among the Piegau Indians, is now visiting some of the Bay of Quinte parishes, addressing meetings on her work. She has appointments out for Amherst Island, Sandhurst, Adolphustown, Deseronto, Camden East, Napanee and Trenton.

GANANOQUE.

Christ Church.—The Easter services here were beautiful and the church elaborately decorated with flowers and attended by large congregations. At the vestry meeting held on Monday evening Mr. C. E. Britton was re-elected as people's warden, but notwithstanding expressions of confidence and of perfect satisfaction with his zeal and work in the past, he was unable to accept at once the unanimous request of the congregation, but asked to be allowed to consider the matter until the adjourned meeting on the 2nd of April.

Diocese of Toronto.

TORONTO.

Holy Trinity.—At the Easter vestry meeting the following resolution was passed in reference to the resignation by Rev. Canon Mockridge, D.D., of his position as assistant minister:

"The members of the vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity, at this their first meeting since the resignation of the Rev. Canon Mockridge, assure him on behalf of the congregation of their sincere congratulations on his appointment to the important office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and also of their sincere regret that it has occasioned the severance of his connection with this Parish. They desire to place on record their high appreciation of the good work done by him by his eloquent and earnest preaching, and as Superintendent of the Sunday school, Director of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and in other departments of parochial work. A warm tribute is also due to Mrs. Mockridge in recognition of her labours of love in the work of the Sunday school and of the Parochial Branches of the Girls' Friendly Society and the Woman's Auxiliary, in all of which her influence and efforts are remembered with affection and esteem. This vestry wish Canon and Mrs. Mockridge every success, and bid them God speed in their new sphere of Church work."

Messrs. Edmund Wragge and H. P. Blachford were appointed church wardens, the former by the Rector, the latter by the Vestry.

Messrs. William Ince, S. G. Wood and J. A. Worrell, Q.C., were elected delegates to Synod.

PETERBORO.

St. John's.—The congregations at both services on Easter Sunday were very large, and the number of Communicants many more than in the previous years. The services were