

St. Stephen's.—Ven. Archdeacon Evans presided. The financial statement read was eminently satisfactory; showing the yearly revenue to have been nearly \$4,000, a sum considerably in excess of the ordinary expenditure. The rector said that considerable damage had been done to the basement of the church by the flood, and many of the parishioners also had lost heavily. Wardens: Messrs. Thos. Brophy, C. E. Cooke; delegates to Synod, Messrs. J. Tough, F. McCulloch.

St. Jude's.—The Rector, the Rev. J. H. Dixon. The reports of the wardens and treasurer were thoroughly satisfactory. Wardens: Messrs. J. H. Redfern, H. J. Mudge; delegates to Synod: Messrs. G. L. Wight and Jas. H. Redfern.

Grace Church.—The Rev. Canon Belcher, Rector, presided. The Churchwarden reports read were very satisfactory. Wardens: Messrs. D. Robertson, E. W. Summerskill; delegates to Synod: Messrs. W. McWood, G. Outram.

St. Thomas'.—The Rev. Robert Lindsay, Rural Dean, (rector), presided. The amount received during the past year was \$2,287. Wardens: Messrs. C. H. Becket and J. Cowan; delegates to Synod: Messrs. W. Drake and R. Slack.

St. Luke's.—Rev. Geo. Rogers, B.A., Rector. Wardens: Messrs. J. G. Snasdell and W. Prince; delegates to Synod: Messrs. Lamb and W. R. Salter.

Eglise du Redempteur.—Rev. A. Lariviere, presided. The annual report showed a prosperous state of affairs. Warden: J. Lepage; delegates to Synod: Messrs. N. Picard and H. Tucker, B.C.L.

MONTREAL.—**St. Luke's Church.**—The annual meeting of the vestry of St. Luke's Church was held on Easter Monday evening, the rector, the Rev. Geo. Rogers, B.A., in the chair. The report of the churchwardens was most satisfactory, showing an increase in the revenue of the church during the past year, and a balance in hand with which to begin the new year. The churchwardens elected were Mr. J. G. Snasdell, rector's warden, and Mr. W. Prouce, people's warden. The delegates elected to the Synod were Messrs. W. R. Salter and Thomas Lamb. Messrs. Mumford and McGranahan were appointed auditors. The report of the wardens showed that over \$2,000 had been subscribed during the year to the building of the proposed rectory. The wardens also reported that families were applying for pews who could not easily be accommodated, and a re-arrangement of sittings in pews was made to meet the difficulty.

MASCOUCHE.—**Grace Church.**—The regular Easter vestry meeting of Grace Church, Mascouche, was held on Easter Monday, the incumbent in the chair. The retiring churchwardens' report for the past year showed the finances of the church to be in a sound condition. The following officers were elected:—F. A. Robinson, minister's warden; Robert Ewan, people's warden; George Robinson and R. Robinson, sidesmen; Andrew B. Ewan and R. Robinson, Lay Delegates to Synod. The meeting was well attended.

TERREBONNE.—**St. Michael's.**—The Easter vestry meeting of St. Michael's, Terrebonne, was held on Easter Monday, the incumbent, Rev. A. Bareham, presiding. Mr. Wallace acted as secretary. The following officers were appointed:—Henry Moody, minister's warden; Matthias Moody, people's warden; H. Kempley and George Arnold, sidesmen; Matthew Moody, Jr., and George Sumner, Lay Delegates to Synod. The congregation being very much in need of a new church, as the present one is too small, an animated and enthusiastic discussion ensued on the subject. Finally the meeting was adjourned till Wednesday, the 5th instant.

LACHUTE.—The Easter vestry meeting was held in St. Simeon's Church, and was presided over by the Rev. Wm. Sanders, pastor of the church. It was largely attended, harmonious and pleasant throughout. The financial condition was more satisfactory than at any previous year, and a resolution passed for the purchase of a site for a new parsonage. Messrs. George Bishop and James Fish were appointed churchwardens, and Messrs. C. S. Burroughs and F. C. Ireland were elected delegates for the ensuing year.

BEDFORD.—The Easter Vestry meetings of this parish were highly satisfactory to both Rector and congregations. The services throughout the year have been well attended, and nothing has occurred to mar the peace and harmony which has for several years prevailed in this important charge. The Churchwardens' report showed that the receipts from the offertory had sufficed to defray all expenses, and that a small balance remained in hand. The following are the officers elect for the current year:

St. James' Church.—Wardens: James Edmonds, Wellington Bockus; Lay Delegates: E. W. Morgan, J. F. Whitwell; Sidesmen: W. D. Alcombrack, W. A. Burrage, A. D. Gall, J. H. M. Hungerford, J. H. Martin, F. L. Rouse, George Walsh, W. Williamson.

St. George's Church.—Wardens: R. H. Channel, Wm. Bockus; Lay Delegates: M. M. Tait, Q.C., R. H. Channel; Sidesmen: Jno. Capsey, Chas. Bockus, Thos. C. Reid.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

KINGSTON.—The church not only in this city but in the diocese has sustained a deep loss in the death of Mrs. Spencer, the beloved wife of Rev. A. Spencer, Clerical Secretary. This sad event occurred on Maundy Thursday after a long and painful illness, which she bore with true and cheerful resignation. Mrs. Spencer was possessed of rare intellectual powers, and was always ready to employ them in the service of her master. When the Volunteers were ordered to the North-west a year ago she it was who organized that little band of ladies, who under her direction did so much for them in Kingston, and little did those noble hearts who cheered her then think that she was so soon to be called away. She will long be missed from our midst; and by none more than by the poor and needy whom it was always her first effort to relieve. Her remains were taken to Kemptonville on Good Friday for interment.

The Easter Vestries were held in the city churches on Easter Monday. At St. George's Cathedral the Churchwardens for the ensuing year are Messrs. R. J. Carson and J. S. Muckleston. The Revenue was for the year, \$6,336.52.

At St. Paul's, Messrs. John Gaskin and James Marshall are the wardens. Revenue, \$2015.18.

At St. James the accounts not being audited the officers were not chosen. This will be done at the adjourned meeting.

Mr. James Shannon, Registrar for the diocese, was re-elected lay-delegate for St. Mark's, Barriefield.

The city churches were beautifully decorated with flowers for Easter Sunday. The services were bright and impressive.

ODESSA.—For some time past the Church of England congregation at Odessa have been preparing for the Easter celebration. On Easter morning, Beaver hall, which has, through the kindness of Dr. Booth, been set apart for the services of the church, presented many improvements. On the communion table was a very handsome new altar cloth, presented by the ladies of St. George's Cathedral Churchwomen's Aid Society of Kingston. The cloth is crimson, with the sacred monogram worked in gold letters on the front, with a superfrontal ornamented with gold fringe and braid. It was

put together and fitted to the table by the ladies of the congregation, to whom much credit is due for the very great interest they take in all church work. There was a neat prayer desk, made and given by Mr. Joshua Elson. The altar platform and kneeling benches have been newly covered with carpet provided by the congregation, the work of covering them being kindly done by Mr. George Manour. On the lectern is a handsome book-mark, also crimson, ornamented with gold fringe and crosses, the work of Miss Booth. The Easter decorations consisted of a large floral cross suspended over the altar, on which were placed two handsome vases of flowers with overhanging vines entwined. Several pots of flowers ornamented the room. There were two services, matins at eleven o'clock with a celebration of the Holy Communion and sixteen communicants. Rev. H. E. Pless, of Kingston preached an excellent and instructive sermon from 1 Corinthians, xv. 20th verse: "Now is Christ risen from the dead." Even song was said at three o'clock and the Sunday-school addressed by Mr. Burns, who spoke from St. Luke i, 15th verse. "He shall be great in the sight of the Lord," holding up to the children the cause of St. John's greatness, viz., obedience, and urging upon them, like the great forerunner, to dedicate themselves to God. The congregations were good, and both services hearty and much appreciated by those who took part in them. The singing was good, as it always is, thanks to an excellent choir. The Sunday-school now averages twenty-five children and four teaches. Mr. Burns has now been in charge of this station for six months.

STIRLING.—During the season of lent cottage lectures have been held weekly, from house to house, by the incumbent, the Rev. T. Godden, and have been well attended; a collection has been taken up at each service. The Sunday-school children have made a Lent offering for the Algoma Indians, and the parochial collections of Stirling and Rawdon far exceed last year. The Easter services were bright and impressive; congregations large, and singing excellent. The anthem, "The earth is the Lords," and the story of the Resurrection sung at both services, was very beautiful. The interior of St. John's Church put on its Easter apparel, which consisted of handsome banners with appropriate texts and designs. The ladies of the congregation sent pots of lovely flowers. The Sunday-school children brought many flowers, and one little girl presented a beautiful bouquet for the altar. Most excellent sermons were preached by the incumbent. Holy Communion was celebrated at morning service, and that grand hymn, "The King of Love," A. & M. sung by a full choir, brought the day to a close, which will long be remembered.

OTTAWA.—The services in all the churches here on Easter Sunday were of a particularly joyful nature, special music being sung by all the choirs. The number of communicants, the largest known here for years, speaks exceedingly well for the work done by the Church, especially among the newly formed congregation of St. George's, where the number of communicants greatly exceeded that of any other Church.

Christ Church.—At the annual vestry meeting the retiring wardens, W. H. Rowley and G. A. Mothersill, presented a very creditable report, showing a surplus on hand. Mr. Rowley was re-chosen rector's warden, and the people elected Mr. D. Robertson as their warden. A special vote of thanks was passed to G. W. Wickateed, Esq., for the beautiful reredos placed in the church to the memory of the late Mrs. Wicksteed. It was decided to have a new roof put on the church this year.

St. John's.—The wardens' report showed an increase in the receipts, but a deficiency in the year's transactions of \$700, to liquidate which a Committee of Ways and Means was chosen.