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MUCH SPECIAL FOR EASTER IN CITY CHURCHES

Large Congregations and Excellent Music Mark the Day

LARGE OFFERINGS ARE REPORTED

Baptisms and Reception of New Members in Some Churches

Easter, the central festival of the Christian year, was duly celebrated in all of the city churches yesterday and church auditoriums were crowded to their utmost capacity by the great numbers of people attending all services.

The glorious music of the day was beautifully rendered and well repaid the choir members for many hours of faithful practice. Flowers in great profusion decorated the churches and very substantial sums were given in the offertories. In many cases the offertory was to be devoted to some special purpose.

Reception services for new members were held in several churches and in the Baptist churches the ordinance of Baptism was administered. The snowstorm of the morning and the rain of the evening did not deter the church-goers or lessen the attendance to any appreciable degree. The city clergy in eloquent sermons told of the significance of the Easter message.

In St. Andrew's Kirk, Rev. J. S. Bonnell, the minister, conducted the services and in the morning 74 new members were received.

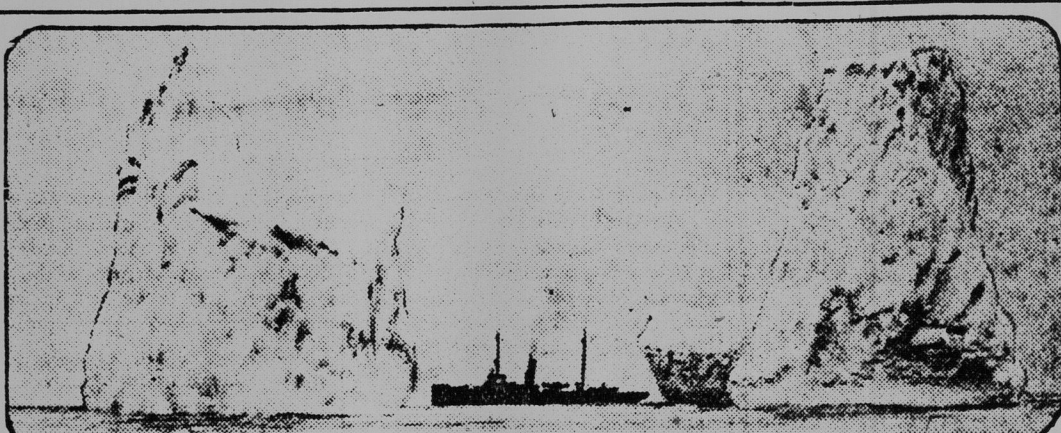
IN TRINITY.
In Trinity church the special collection was for the reconstruction of the interior of the church and the preservation of the pulpit.

In St. John's church the collection was for the exterior of the church.

In the Cathedral the Holy Name Society attended the 7 o'clock mass in a booth, a very large number being present. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc officiated at pontifical high mass at 11.15 a. m. In the evening there was solemn vespers, Benediction and procession. It was announced that the Good Friday collection in the Cathedral for the upkeep of the monasteries in the Holy Land had amounted to \$122.55.

IN CENTENARY.
In Centenary church in the morning the attendance at the Holy Sacrament was one of the largest in the church history and a large class of new members was received by the pastor, Rev. R. G. Fulton. In the afternoon at the Sunday school session Rev. E. C. Henrigan, B.A., gave a very interesting address on his work in Japanese missions and exhibited a remarkably fine series

HUNTS ICEBERGS TO WARN SHIPS



The U. S. S. Seneca patrols the North Atlantic on a ceaseless hunt for icebergs to warn other ships against. Here she is shown between two of her prey.

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IN PORTLAND METHODIST.
The Easter spirit predominated at all the services in Portland United church yesterday. Special Easter music was rendered by the choir both morning and evening under the direction of H. W. Brownfield, choir leader, and Miss Lillian Brownfield, organist.

In the morning Miss Phyllis McGowan sang solo. Certificates were presented to 25 members of the Young Worshipers' League who have attended all the services for the last six months. Those receiving certificates were Lena Jones, Winnie South, Marie Merrill, Evelyn Stubbs, Glena Hill, Jean McIntosh, Wynetta Sargeant, Helen Foster, Margaret Williams, Gladys Evans, Isabel Williams, Leah Baker, Margaret Ashe, Francis Ellisworth, Russell McNamara, Edgar Cowan, Arthur Thomas, Harold Goodwin, Charles Jones, Ross Morrison, Harold Thomas, Dyson Thomas, Rowley Morrison, Charles Wright and William Baskin.

In the afternoon session an Easter exercise was given by six little girls, Ethel Andrews, Betty Spence, Marion Hughes, Wynetta Sargeant, Ruth Hamilton and Evelyn Andrews.

At the evening service solos were sung by Miss Elizabeth Spence, pianist, and the pastor, Rev. H. A. Goodwin, preached at both services. The church was nicely decorated with flowers. A beautiful Easter message was placed in front of the pulpit in memory of Peter Folkins, who died recently.

The services held in St. Matthew's church, Rev. John A. Morrison, minister, were held on Good Friday and on Easter were of more than ordinary interest and were attended by large congregations.

On Friday evening five adults were baptized and 40 persons received into church membership. On Easter Sunday the communion service in the morning was the largest in the church's history and a large class of new members was received by the pastor, Rev. R. G. Fulton. In the afternoon at the Sunday school session Rev. E. C. Henrigan, B.A., gave a very interesting address on his work in Japanese missions and exhibited a remarkably fine series

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IN ANGLICAN CHURCHES.
In St. Luke's church the offertory at the church services in the day amounted to \$2,100 and the Sunday school pupils gave \$92 in the collection at the afternoon session. In the evening Rev. Canon C. W. McKim, of Saskatchewan, preached.

There were four services, at 8 a. m. and 11 a. m., a children's service at 3 o'clock, and service at 7 o'clock. There were very many communicants. Rev. Canon R. P. McKim preached the Easter sermon. Rev. Cecil Harcourt, the curate, gave the address at the afternoon service. The music was inspirational and there was a profusion of beautiful flowers.

In St. George's church a new carpet, given by the W. A., was dedicated and 10 boys were introduced as additional members of the choir.

In the Easter day services the rector, Rev. John Unsworth, was assisted

ed by Rural Dean W. H. Sampson. The request that the carpet be received and dedicated on behalf of the W. A. was made Church Warden H. H. McLeod and acting warden S. G. Olive. The rector also acknowledged a gift of a portable communion service from the Junior W. A. The material for the cassocks and surplices for the choir boys was provided by Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Waring. A great profusion of flowers decorated the church and they were distributed to the sick and aged after the evening service. At the Sunday school service in the afternoon the children presented \$78 for missions. Church offerings for the day amounted to \$450. The choir of 30 voices under the direction of Miss M. Beattie, organist, rendered a splendid program of music.

In St. Mary's church memorial book markers of white silk handkerchiefs embroidered, which had been given by a member of the congregation, were used for the first time and the rector, Rev. R. Taylor McKim, wore a very fine linen surplice with front embroidery which had been presented by the members of the vestry and their wives. A silk umbrella was presented to Mrs. R. Taylor McKim, organist and choir leader, previously.

Rev. Mr. McKim preached appropriate sermons and the music was exceptionally good. The offertory during the day amounted to \$800. Mrs. R. Taylor McKim was organist and choir leader and there were about 38 voices in the choir. In the afternoon a special Easter service for the children was held and Mr. McKim gave an address.

IN CARLETON UNITED.
In Carleton United church sermons appropriate to Easter were delivered yesterday morning and evening by Rev. P. J. Bertram. The church had been beautifully decorated with flowers by a committee of ladies. At the morning service there was an anthem nicely rendered. A mixed quartette composed of Miss Helen Henderson, Mrs. W. Sturges, Roland Belyea and Arthur Long sang "I am the Resurrection." In the evening as the procession hymn "Hail Lord and Saviour" was sung. The choir sang the anthems "Rejoice the Lord is King" and "King of Kings." A solo "Lorraine" was sung by Roland Belyea and the solo "It was for Me" by Miss Helen Henderson. Mrs. W. Sturges sang the solo "Easter Triumph" and Margaret Henderson sang the solo "Rise Ye Sleepers." F. J. Punter and Miss Helen Henderson were the soloists in the evening. Miss Mabel Sharp was organist.

With regret the congregation of the Charlotte street United Baptist church yesterday received the announcement that its pastor, Rev. Dr. Charles R. Freeman, had tendered his resignation to take effect on June 1. He informed the congregation that his decision was final although his plans for the future were not complete. He intends to spend July and August in Nova Scotia and after that time he thought that he would probably go to the United States.

Dr. Freeman spoke of the fine spirit which has characterized the mid-week prayer meetings and of the excellent work being done by the teachers and officers of the Sunday school which has a very large average attendance. He also expressed appreciation of the large attendance at the Sunday services and the work of the choir which he believed to be one of the best in the city.

He said, however, that by the end of June he would have been four and a half years with the church and he believed the time had come when he could feel free to step aside and leave the work to a successor.

RECEIVE NEW MEMBERS.
Some new members were received into the church at the morning service in St. Columba Presbyterian church yesterday and afterwards the 24 services of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. W. M. Townsend, the minister, who preached appropriate Easter sermons at the two services. Anthems were sung by the choir. In the evening a trio composed of Mrs. Edward Duff, Miss Bessie Craig and Fred Morrow sang "He is Risen." Miss Viola Leggett was the accompanist. Flowers were given to commemorate William Bogie, Mrs. John Ewart and Mrs. Margaret Wade.

TAKES UP NEW PULPIT.
Rev. E. R. MacWilliam entered on his new duties as pastor of the Victoria street Baptist church yesterday and afterwards the 24 services of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. T. B. Wetmore, occupied the pulpit of the Waterloo street Baptist church.

EAST SAINT JOHN.
In the United church at East Saint John yesterday, Rev. W. J. Bevin

preached an appropriate Easter sermon and Easter music was furnished by the choir. In the evening a male quartette composed of Rev. Mr. Bevin, Moderator Maxey, George Roby and J. W. Flewelling sang "Lo in the Grave He Lay." Anthems were sung at the morning of the evening services. After the morning service the Sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered to a good number of communicants. There was a good attendance at both services and the church was beautifully decorated with Easter lilies and spring flowers.

FAIRVILLE BAPTIST.
In the Fairville Baptist church flowers were given in memory of C. P.

Long, sang an inspirational selection. At the evening service the sacred cantata, "A Morning in the Orient," was given by the choir, under direction of H. M. Stout. Miss Lucy Black, Miss Vivian McColgan and Mr. Stout were the soloists. Miss Sadie Cogle sang effectively the "Song of All Creation." Miss Audrey McColgan was accompanist.

ST. ANDREW'S KIRK.
In St. Andrew's Kirk last evening, Rev. J. S. Bonnell delivered an interesting sermon on "The Disciple Who Doubted." Jesus himself was the great discover of doubt, said Mr. Bonnell. At the morning service when the Lord's Sacrament was administered and 74 new members were received, the large church was filled to capacity and the attendance was believed to be the largest in the history of St. Andrew's.

MAIN STREET.
In the Main street Baptist church large congregations were present morning afternoon and evening. In the morning baptism was administered. In the afternoon the Sunday school presented a delightful Easter pageant. In the evening the choir sang the cantata "Lord of Light and Love," with Miss Ethel Purdie, Mrs. George McKel and Bayard Stillwell soloists. At the close of the service the Lord's supper was administered. The pulpit was beautifully decorated with potted flowers and two memorial bouquets, one to the memory of F. E. Martin and the other to the memory of W. Harding Dunham.

EXMOUTH STREET.
Exmouth street church was attended by large congregations yesterday. The building was nicely decorated with flowers by William Beville and Gilbert Madill. At the morning service 23 were received into membership. At the evening service the choir sang the cantata "Story of Easter," the solo parts being taken by Mrs. Brunstrum and Harold Hopkins. Miss Frances Withers sang "The Lord is Risen."

LUDLOW STREET.
At the Ludlow street Baptist church five candidates were baptized in the morning. At the evening service the choir sang the cantata, "The Risen King."

TABERNACLE.
At the Tabernacle Baptist church yesterday 18 were baptized. The choir under the direction of R. D. Coggan sang appropriate anthems. In the afternoon the Sunday school held an open session and presented an interesting Easter program.

ST. DAVIDS.
The Passion Week services of Rev. C. W. Gordon at St. David's church were brought to a close yesterday and at both services Rev. Mr. Gordon delivered eloquent and inspiring messages. The communion service in the morning was attended by 400 communicants. In the afternoon a men's meeting was held. At the close of the evening service Rev. Smith, for the elders, and J. W. Brittain for the board of trustees, expressed the appreciation of the people for the services of Rev. Dr. Gordon. Rev. Hugh Miller and Rev. Dr. Farquharson also spoke appreciatively.

FAIRVILLE UNITED.
At the morning service in the Fairville United church five were baptized. A quartette, composed of Miss Vivian McColgan, Miss Audrey McColgan, Miss Edna Shaw and Mrs. Arthur

Baker, Leonard Traflet, J. W. Stevens, Miss Bessie Stevens, Mrs. Grace Kerrigan, Mrs. Jennie Tracey, Mrs. Catherine Hawkhurst, F. L. Flewelling and Deacon George Fowler and Mrs. Fowler. The evening service was an impressive memorial for Deacon F. L. Flewelling. The choir song "The Resurrection Song," under the direction of Thatcher Townsend. The soloists were Mrs. H. Prime and Miss Lela Alcorn. A duet was sung by Mrs. Harry Prime and Miss Sadie Carvell.

GOOD SHEPHERD.
In the Church of the Good Shepherd, Fairville, flowers were donated in memory of Rev. Lebaron McKel and Mrs. McKel, Rudolph McKel, who was killed overseas in the Great War; Mr. and Mrs. John Duff, Mrs. John Darl-

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