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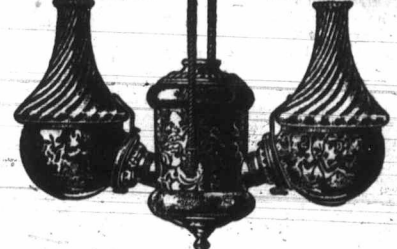
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May 13th—Fourth Sunday after Easter.
Morning—Deut. 4, 23; John 3, 22.
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Holy Communion: 312, 548, 556, 559.
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The Bible Society.

We are always very pleased to hear from our friend, Mr. Justice Hannington, and only regret that we cannot agree with everything in his rather long letter. We take it that the judge disapproves of our objection to send very large sums out of Canada through the Bible Society; and secondly, to our wish that little or no money should be contributed in a year when the claims at home are so exceptional. To take up the first point. We cannot express our views better than by using the language of the late Chief Justice Sir John Beverley Robinson when zealots reproached him for giving land for a building to Methodists: "Frequently, in the most lonely parts of the wilderness in townships where a clergyman of the Church of England had never been heard, and probably never been seen, I have found the population assembled in some log building earnestly engaged in acts of devotion, and listening to those doctrines and truths which are inculcated in common by most Christian denominations, but which, if it had not been for the ministrations of dissenting preachers, would for thirty years have been but little known, if at all, to the greater part of the inhabitants of the interior of Upper Canada. . . . If there had been no ministers in Canada but the few clergymen of our Church, zealous and enlightened as they were, I fear it would have often happened that the obligation of an oath would have been imposed upon jurors and witnesses whose first and only acquaintance with the Scriptures would have commenced when the Gospels were put into their hands in a court of justice." Holding the views so well expressed by the great Chief Justice, of which the above is a short and imperfect extract, we felt that the old Bible Society was worthy of all praise and support where it worked in neglected districts. But we were not aware that the result of the re-arrangement was to take funds from Canada for use in other parts of the world at the discretion of the London society. We felt that this land of Canada requires at the present time all the funds which can be contributed for objects such as the Bible Society seeks to achieve. It is quite true that the donors belong to all religious bodies, but they are all similarly situated. The Methodists looked in vain for eighty Missionaries this spring. An analysis of the emigrants to Canada this spring showed that the adherents of our Church are about eight to one. This, we think, exaggerated, but whether or not, the claims are there. If our Bible Society, instead of sending over money, had asked for it on the ground of the excessive immigration, such appeal might—it ought—to have done something to open the eyes of good people in England to their shameful neglect of the spiritual needs of their own migrants.

—There is a majesty and an authority in the truth which is all its own. Proclaim it plainly and confidently; it will win its own way.

The Care of Our Own Household.

A minor point in Mr. Justice Hannington's letter was that we, instead of asking for money to be devoted to strictly Church purposes, should have asked for more for ourselves and not interfered with contributions to other excellent objects. We must take the world as we find it. A few give generously, others give much, but by far the greater mass of people are like the countryman whom Andrew Lang tells of. Sandy, on being asked for five shillings for the Sustentation Fund for his own eternal good, replied: "Man, me give five shillings to the Sustentation Fund for such an object! I canna afford it, even to buy tobacco." Do not the whole of us give to Church or charity only after providing generously for our luxuries. There are few, very few, who would double their subscriptions, be the objects ever so praiseworthy. Consequently we differ altogether from our mentor in his criticism of the Bishop who appealed to his people to remember home needs first, and told of church after church closed and barred for want of funds. There may be some special reasons for this sad state of affairs; but surely there should be a possible provision of travelling Missionaries or lay readers, so that those of the household should be provided for. In agreeing with the Bishop in his appeal for his own parishes we feel that something must be very wrong to have brought about such a state of things. What have the clergy, the rural deans, the archdeacon been doing? Why have the lay delegates in the Synod been silent at this loss of Church privileges? And how does it come that such a good Churchman as Mr. Justice Hannington, instead of backing up the Bishop in his call to have the churches reopened, should write that the money should not be diverted from other good works?

A Good Year.

Most encouraging has been the showing of the Easter vestry meetings; and this showing represents a year of hard and self-denying work. It is, indeed, a reward to the faithful clergy and laity who have patiently and perseveringly stuck to their work, and, despite all difficulties and discouragements, without and within, have kept their courage warm and determination unshaken to realize at the last that victory has been on their side. The congregation has grown; the debt has decreased; Baptisms, Confirmations and Communion have largely increased; new life and energy have developed in the parish. "Forward!" has been the watchword, and forward has been the march. But we have great need to be wary lest unwonted prosperity cause us to relax our efforts instead of redoubling them. The cause is great; the need is pressing; the fight only ends with life.

City Cleanliness.

We again thank the "Outlook" for a word to encourage us in our efforts to have the smoke nuisance reduced. It seems hopeless in our large towns. The only thing we can suggest that can stir our municipal officers seems to be an Anti-Smoke League. In Toronto they have had for some time an anti-smoke by-law, but unless some public-spirited citizen chooses to put it in force of his own accord no one else seems to do so. The factories and the large buildings with elevators continue to emit foul smoke from low chimneys in unrestrained volume. What encouragement is there to put up fine buildings when your neighbour—possibly your own firemen—blacken it all through unscientific appliances and stoking. The "Outlook" points out what is equally true on the water fronts, the craft which in summer pour forth clouds which

darken the sky and contribute murkiness to the landscape.

The Trunk Sewer.

While having a periodical grumble at the slovenly municipal habits, those in Toronto are still to suffer from the accompanying extravagance. Probably one result will be the pigeon-holing of the last effort to cleanse the bay as so many predecessors have been treated. We cannot understand why, if it is so hard to meet necessary expenses, so many unnecessary ones are indulged in, and the water rate is not increased to the old standard, so that this municipal enterprise might pay expenses, have a reserve for renewals and relieve the general tax rate.

Expert Opinion.

In looking over the field of battle or considering the results of a campaign a wise soldier will always try to learn some new lesson from the experience of the past. One of the most valuable lessons, we take it, to be derived from a study of the results of combined effort is the value of expert opinion. What an access of wisdom and energy would come to a parish were the laity freely and frankly to avail themselves of the store of spiritual knowledge and wisdom acquired by years of patient and devout study by their clergyman; and, on the other hand, how much would the clergyman benefit were he with a like spirit of candour and enquiry to avail himself of the skilled judgment and special knowledge of the lay members of his congregation. Such a course of mutual help would diminish false pride, lessen the possibility of mistake, and engender good will and mutual respect and confidence, and help on good work in the parish in numberless unthought-of ways. A truly great commander is willing to learn anything that can be taught him by the humblest private in the ranks. The spirit of mutual help and enquiry is one of the prime sources of success, in the parish as well as in the army.

A Nameless Nation.

We have, however, a crow to pluck with our friend, the "Outlook." It is ungenerous not to acknowledge how much is owing to the late Lord Dufferin and to the Commissioners of the Ontario Government for the saving of Niagara Falls. On the contrary, it says grandiloquently: "The people of America have been swiftly coming of late to understand that they are the real owners of Niagara Falls, and that it is their duty as well as their high privilege to see that this scenic wonder is preserved to posterity, undiminished in glory." If the word America was used in its true sense we would not object, and we would expect this magazine to put the proper amount of praise and the proper amount of blame on the United States. But it does not. It has the colossal cheek to claim it all, except that Canada would be allowed to pay its share. How often we wish that E. E. Hale, in writing of "the man without a country," had added, "a country without a name."

The San Francisco Tragedy.

Close on the heels of the last great eruption of Mount Vesuvius has come the appalling earth shock at San Francisco. It seems almost incredible that within a few short minutes so large a portion of one of the most important cities on the Pacific coast of North America should fall in ruins, and numbers of its inhabitants should meet with sudden death, or deprivation of their homes and destruction of their property. Science, with all its labour and insight, has failed to disclose with certainty the exact cause of these tremendous demonstrations of the internal energy of the earth. Whatever the dominant cause may be, the resultant effect is deplorable. The sympathy for the bereaved and the sufferers from

this disaster is as widespread as the world itself. The close and constant intercourse between Canada and the United States and the numberless ties of relationship which bind our people together intensify our feeling of regret and our sorrow at this sad occurrence.

TRINITY.

The future of Trinity interests not the comparatively few who have supported her of recent years, but the whole Canadian Church and the nation as well. Trinity was established in order to continue among us the residential system and training to which was attributed in great degree much of the spirit and elevation of character which had made England. At the opening of the then new college, some fifty-four years ago, the first Provost stated that the foundation of the college was a solemn protest against the separation of religion from education. We do not wish to make our students seminarists, to fence them off from all association with others during their period of residence further than is necessary. But we do object to the suggested removal to the University Park. The situation is a most undesirable one, and will soon be far from a healthy one. It is quite cut off from the water, will soon be in the very centre of the town, there can be no adequate room for sports in the open air, and there can be no family privacy. If Trinity once determines to join the line, even before new buildings are erected, there will be raised the suggestion, Why do so when all the buildings of the university are open to your students? Besides, how absurd, to say the least, would it be to have one theological college on one side of the street and another just opposite. President Gilman, of Johns Hopkins, has just issued a volume on launching that university. When he was summoned from California in 1875 to take charge he told the trustees that "if they would seize the opportunity to establish a university which should extend its influence far and wide throughout the land, it would be a privilege as well as an honour to be associated in the work." He records with pride that it has developed, not into a German university, nor an English university, but an American university, based upon and applied to the existing institutions of the country. And we hope for Trinity, not obliteration, but a new and vigorous Canadian life. Trinity has a valuable charter, and if it is thought desirable that it should leave its present site it has already been offered one at Ottawa. There are many other places where the students could have room and verge for buildings, and playing fields, and water sports, where there would be sufficient competition, society for the professors and students, and to supply the needed life, freed from the unsatisfying rush and hurry of a large city.

LEGISLATION.

There is a field of activity intimately related to the progress and well-being of the Church which calls for far more thought and study than is usually given to it. It is indicated in the word legislation. A large amount of valuable time is yearly wasted. Many opportunities of useful service are neglected, and the inefficiency which always results from ignorance or defective knowledge arises from the neglect on the part of members of the Church to take the time and give the study to her laws and polity which are necessary to deal intelligently and progressively with them as occasion demands. This state of affairs is especially noticeable at the meetings of the various Synods; and one of the most regrettable results is that many a member, capable and well-informed in other branches of knowledge through the very ability and prominence which

he possesses in other walks of life is led to take a certain course of action, and, having taken it, to attempt to support or defend it, which, were he well informed in the constitution of the Church, and the general trend of its legislation would never have occurred to him. We do not for a moment wish to impugn the good sense or intelligence of the members of our Synods, but what we do maintain is that, were such members better informed by previous thought and study in the general trend of Church legislation and in the special subjects presented for their consideration, their sense and intelligence would confer benefits upon the Church of incalculable more value than is at all possible under present circumstances. In listening to some Synod debates in the light of what we have said one is sometimes reminded of the comment of the Duke of Wellington on the lack of knowledge exhibited by the average British officer under his command in the Peninsula, and the consequent result in action. "Nobody in the British army," wrote the great soldier, "ever reads an order as if it were to be a guide for his conduct . . . and the consequence is that, when complicated arrangements are to be carried into execution, every gentleman proceeds according to his fancy." We hear so much talk nowadays of our democratic country, people, institutions, etc., that we are sometimes tempted to think that the freedom which inheres in a democracy in the minds of some people seems to do away with the necessity for the old-fashioned, hard, plodding thought and study, which are generally considered to be necessary for good and efficient work in any walk of life. Of one thing we are certain, that whether in the House of Commons or a Legislative Assembly, the man who has studied the Constitution of his country, informed himself on the general course of its legislation, and intelligently reads his blue books, is the man who has thus made himself capable of rendering to his constituency and country the most valuable and efficient service. And we may rely upon it that the same rule holds good with regard to the legislators of our Church.

FROM WEEK TO WEEK.

Spectator's Comments on Questions of Public Interest.

By the time these words reach the public the members of the Board of Management will be assembling in Toronto for the half-yearly meeting. We make no apologies for returning to this subject, for we know of none other that ought to receive more attention from the Church at the present moment. We are specially anxious that the eyes of the Church should be upon these men and their work, supporting them in all undertakings that make for the upbuilding of the Church on sound and stable principles and acting as a check when foolish action is proposed. "Spectator" has already more than hinted at the possibility of the Board becoming the servant rather than the master of its subordinate committees. It is difficult to see what purpose can be served by members travelling long distances to attend meetings if they yield to a sort of convention that it is not "good form" to have ideas of their own or to show a disposition to want to know things. We have called for more publicity in regard to these Board meetings and to a certain extent our demands have been met, but the situation is far from satisfactory yet. It is just possible that the very formal and imperfect reports that appear in the daily papers may not be due to any fault of the Board, but when the Board has a magazine of its own there is no valid excuse for not giving to the public a thorough-going account of its actions. Additional pages ought to be inserted if necessary and the public informed with considerable detail of what is being done, and the method of the doing.

We would like to see a monthly statement of purposes, which would form the basis of the public months of the new year, to tell whether the financial year was worse than a year ago; for a campaign of reason is absolute folly to imagine that has characterized the last three years. It was a year, because there was no year, because there was no year, because there was no year. It was tolerated indulgently supposed difficult to obtain, but from different parts of that irreparable loss. The first essential in the public is to establish confidence can only be really worthy of it. We confide in us unless we confide in the public. Let us have Church affairs large and public of what they expected of them. Let us with manly courage if they be subjected to should we not have the funds that are in the public. The work taken in the name of policy had been adopted and recover lost ground and frankness are we trust the Board imitation, but insist

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We would like to see the Board insist upon a monthly statement of receipts for Missionary purposes, which would be published for the information of the public. Already almost four months of the new year have gone and who can tell whether the financial outlook is better or worse than a year ago? Again we would plead for a campaign of reason and information. It is absolute folly to imagine that Churchmen can be jollied along with the system of air-castles that has characterized the campaign of the past three years. It was all very well for the first year, because there was nothing better to work upon. It was tolerated the second because men indulgently supposed that proper material was difficult to obtain, but the information we receive from different parts of Canada goes to indicate that irreparable loss will be sustained by the Church if this policy be not changed forthwith. The first essential in all successful dealing with the public is to establish confidence, and confidence can only be firmly established by being really worthy of it. We cannot have the public confide in us unless we show our confidence in the public. Let us have men at the head of our Church affairs large enough to amply inform the public of what they are doing and what is expected of them. Let them invite criticism and with manly courage let them defend themselves if they be subjected to unfair censure. And why should we not have all the publicity desired? The funds that are handled are the gifts of the public. The work that is undertaken is undertaken in the name of the whole Church. If this policy had been adopted long ago it would have saved the Church from having to retrace its steps and recover lost ground. Information, publicity and frankness are what Churchmen want and we trust the Board will not be put off with any imitation, but insist upon the real thing.

"Spectator" is informed through private correspondence that there is no Anglican Church at Cobalt where one of the most intense mining rushes of modern times is in progress. It would seem to us that a church ought to be there by this time even if it had to be carted in on wheels. We do not know in what diocese this mining camp is situated or who should make the first move according to ecclesiastical etiquette, but it is quite evident some one should move pretty swiftly. The Mission Board need fear no lack of support in taking all necessary steps to have a church established there at once through the proper Bishop. It is at just such a place the Church ought to be found headed by a good manly clergyman, ready to help men to do the right thing when all other influences are pulling in the opposite direction. Cobalt may not be in Western Canada, but it matters not. The work is one from ocean to ocean. Where men are gathered together there should a church be planted in their midst.

Bishop Montgomery, secretary of the S. P. G. Society, comes to Canada this autumn, we understand, to investigate first hand the conditions which prevail in the West. It is proposed to give a grant to Western dioceses amounting to \$100,000 for Church extension and maintenance, and His Lordship is to look over the ground with a view to its most effective expenditure. This is a sensible sort of thing to do. It will enable him to present the situation exactly as it exists to his society and to the English public. It will put him in a position to walk by sight as well as by faith. But the question that will be asked by Canadian Churchmen is this, what are the relations existing between the English Missionary societies and our own general Missionary Society? Are three or four societies to work in the same field independently of one another without any adequate organization to pre-

vent excessive giving in some directions and inadequate support in others? Are the old conditions introduced in the pioneer days of colonial life to be continued unchanged after we have become thoroughly organized as a national church? The directors of English Missionary enterprises are sensible and reasonable men and we would be very greatly surprised if they did not welcome a statesmanlike proposal from our Board of Management, looking to co-operation and joint administration of funds devoted to Canadian Church extension. If it be not possible to arrange to have one board administer all Missionary funds designated for Western Canada could not different zones be assigned to different societies to be the objects of their special care? The approaching visit of Bishop Montgomery to this country would seem to us to be an excellent opportunity to open negotiations with this end in view, and, of course, the Board of Management should take the lead in such proposals.

The Church in Canada has heard with very great regret of the death of Very Reverend Dean Partridge, of Fredericton. For many years he has been one of the leaders of the Provincial and General Synods of Canada. He was courtly and dignified in bearing, sound in judgment and well informed, and as a result his words were listened to with attention and respect. In such work as the readjustment of our Prayer Book—a work we still hope will be taken up at an early date by our General Synod—the assistance of Dean Partridge would have been most valuable. But he has finished his work and his memory will be held in honourable esteem by those who knew him. The passing of Dean Smith, Dean Partridge and the serious and prolonged illness of Arch-deacon Langtry remind us of the grave responsibility assumed by General Synod in putting off until to-morrow what can and ought to be done to-day.

SPECTATOR.

The Churchwoman.

TORONTO.

Norwood.—The officers of the parochial branch of the W.A. elected the following officers for the ensuing year at their annual meeting, which was held recently:—Hon. President, Mrs. Pickford; President, Mrs. Butterfield; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Baskiss and Mrs. McCracken; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Baker.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Toronto Diocesan Board of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in the Guild Hall, McGill Street, on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, May 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. On Wednesday, at 10 a.m., in St. James' Church, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion, and sermon by the Rev. Canon Welch, D.C.L. On Wednesday evening, at 8 p.m., there will be a public missionary meeting in the Guild Hall, when the Lord Bishop of Toronto will preside, and addresses given by the Rev. Canon Dixon, the Rev. Arthur Lea, of Japan, and the Rev. Cyril Brown, of Melanesia. On Thursday evening, a conference of Girls' Branches will take place, upon, 1st, how to promote the spiritual side of our work, led by St. Stephen's Branch; 2nd, proportionate giving, led by Trinity Memorial Branch; 3rd, the use of missionary study, led by members of St. Matthias Branch, and addresses given by Miss Wilgress, of Mackenzie River, and Miss Allen, of Uganda, Africa.

KOOTENAY.

Armstrong.—St. James'.—A meeting of the Ladies' Guild in connection with this church was held at the residence of Mrs. Henry Hawkins, on Thursday, March 29th, to welcome the new vicar's wife, and discuss the advisability of forming a branch of the W.A. in place of the Guild. Mrs. Poole stated the object of the meeting, and called on Mrs. King to address the ladies. In response Mrs. King thanked the ladies for the cordial welcome extended to her, and said she felt much more at home in Armstrong than she had thought it possible in so short a time, and felt confident the ladies would work most harmoniously together in a Guild or W.A., whichever they decided upon. Being a very enthusiastic member of the W.A., Mrs. King then very forcibly laid before the meeting the many advantages of the W.A., among others being that it tends to deepen the spirituality and broaden the minds of the members. The unanimous

feeling of the meeting was that a branch of the W.A. be organized at once to be known as the W.A. branch of St. James' Church, Armstrong. Consequently the election of officers was proceeded with, resulting as follows:—President, Mrs. King; Vice-President, Mrs. Poole; Secretary, Mrs. Morgan; Treasurer, Mrs. Jackson. Meetings to be held on the second Thursday of each month at the residence of the different members excepting the April meeting, which will be held on the third Thursday, April 19th, Rev. Mr. King being requested to hold a special service in the church with address and music appropriate to the occasion. A meeting for business will be held afterwards at the residence of Mrs. Morgan. The meeting closed with the Benediction. A cordial invitation is extended to all the ladies of St. James' Church to attend the meetings. Members formed themselves into a committee to see to the decorating of the church for the Easter services.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Office of General Secretary, 23 Scott St., Toronto.

With the Travelling Secretary. Leaving Deloraine, a freight train had to be taken, arriving in Napinka at midnight, and after a few hours sleep at the hotel, the deacon in charge, Mr. A. G. Clark, was called upon, and the Brotherhood work laid before him. Mr. Clark had been connected with the Church Army in the Old Land, is active and energetic, and is just the man to do successful work amongst men, and he took special interest in the work of the Brotherhood as explained to him. A nice church building has recently been erected at Napinka, and it is likely that a small Chapter will be formed shortly. Only a few hours could be spent at Napinka, and train was then taken for Hartney, where a Chapter had been formed as a result of previous visit. The members, while doing good Brotherhood work, had not been meeting regularly lately, and the visit of the Travelling Secretary will result in increased interest being taken, and also in the addition of a few new members. Rev. J. D. Hull met the Travelling Secretary at the station, gave generous hospitality, accompanied Mr. Thomas as he called upon the men of the parish, and intends to take active steps towards the formation of a Chapter at Elgin, where there is a splendid field for work. The next day the beautiful village of Holland was visited, and an old Toronto resident met in the person of Mr. H. L. Rixon, formerly of St. Margaret's Chapter, and later of St. Matthew's, Brandon. The Rector, the Rev. A. W. Goulding, with Mr. Rixon, were at the station to greet the Travelling Secretary, and arrangements made as to the meeting at evening service. Mr. Thomas addressed the congregation, earnestly calling upon the men to take up definite personal service for Christ, and five men were admitted into the new Chapter of Emmanuel Church. The thriving town of Souris, Man., was next reached, and Sunday spent there. Saturday evening was given to calling upon a number of men, accompanied by the rector, Rev. Rural Dean Hewitt, and afterwards hotel work was done, Mr. Thomas going with two men, and visiting the three hotels. Addresses were given at both morning and evening services, the Sunday School scholars were given a "talk" on Junior work, and fifteen men met after evening service, and after a thorough discussion, five men were admitted into the new Chapter of St. Luke's, Souris. One of the members taking up work here, Mr. J. B. Clark, was formerly an active member in the Moosejaw Chapter. Monday morning, a start was made for Wawanesa, Man., and after a five mile drive from railway station, the pretty village was reached. Rev. J. W. Woolfe had written that he did not think the visit would result in anything, but the letter did not reach the Travelling Secretary, and on his arrival Mr. Woolfe rendered every assistance towards getting his men together. A number of men met at the home of the clergyman, men of just the right stamp, and after the Brotherhood idea had been fully explained to them in an hour's address, five men were admitted, officers elected, and night of meeting chosen, and the men set about definite work.

Home & Foreign Church News

From our own Correspondents.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Clarendon Lamb Worrell, D.D., Bishop, Halifax, N.S.

Halifax.—The reports presented at the various Easter vestry meetings held in this city showed that the Church was prospering in every way.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, G. W. Mitchell, G. A. Woodill; delegates to Synod, J. G. Wylde, E. D. Tucker; substitutes, C. J. Wylde, W. H. Hill.

St. Paul's.—Wardens, W. A. Major, F. Rhind; delegates to Synod, Mr. Chancellor Harris, Col. Mowbray; substitutes, A. De B. Tremaine, H. E. Mahon. Receipts, \$15,196. There were 792 communicants in this church on Easter Day.

Trinity.—Wardens, J. Hutchings, W. O. Kaizer; delegates to Synod, W. E. Brokenshire, A. G. French; substitutes, J. Hutchings, J. G. Colp.

Truro. St. John's.—A beautiful set of chimes has been installed in this church, and they were rung for the first time on Easter evening. On Easter Day the Bishop of the Diocese dedicated the chimes, and preached an appropriate sermon. The chimes were manufactured by the well-known bell manufacturers, Meneely & Co., of West Troy, N.Y. The chimes cost \$4,000.

Umbertland. St. George's. Wardens, J. Choisset, H. A. Webster.

Parsboro'. St. George's.—Wardens, J. H. Mosher, M. Peterson; delegates to Synod, W. J. Cornfield, C. Pidgeon; substitutes, J. H. Mosher, M. Peterson.

Springhill.—St. Peter's.—Wardens, J. C. Murray, C. H. Giles; delegates to Synod, C. H. Giles, F. W. Hatheway; substitutes, F. Del. Clements, S. B. Hatheway.

Annapolis Royal.—St. Luke's. The Sanctuary Guild decorated this church for the Easter Festival with a profusion of beautiful white flowers in the sanctuary, and variegated and white flowers and ferns in the nave and chancel. The Guild presented the fragrant lilies. Over 100 made their Easter Communion. Thirty-one were present at 8 o'clock. The Easter "greetings" consisted of three gifts for the rector of \$12.50. Mrs. How and the choir have received much praise for the excellence of the music and singing at both services. Rev. H. de Blois preached in the evening on the Joy of the Resurrection. On Monday, evening, at the Easter vestry meeting, the wardens, Messrs. E. McCormick and A. G. Herbert, reported their gross receipts of \$2,106.20, and their disbursements, \$1,865.35. Mrs. Gray reports the receipts of the Mite Society to be \$109.72, and balance in banks of Nova Scotia, \$233.29. J. F. Whitman, Treasurer of St. Alban's Cemetery, reports \$62.19 in banks, and \$8 in hand. The rector reported disbursements for parochial charity \$85.23, and balance in hand \$3.18. The meeting adjourned until Monday, 23rd, for the election of church officials and delegates to the Synod.

Weymouth.—St. Peter's.—The Easter services were very well attended, and greatly enjoyed. The church was most tastefully and appropriately decorated with Easter lilies, roses, etc. These sweet emblems of the Resurrection were laid on the graves of the loved ones after the services, the rector, the Rev. C. R. Cumming, M.A., preached appropriate sermons. On Palm Sunday the congregation was asked that the offerings be \$65 on Easter Day, to meet all demands on the parish in full. The response surprisingly amounted to \$110. Upwards of a hundred parishioners turned out to the annual meeting on Monday night. The Treasurer, Mr. Sidney St. C. Jones, showed a balance on hand of \$47. The rector reported that the parish had contributed \$260 to outside objects. An addition was made to the rector's stipend, and a modern bath room fully equipped, was voted to be placed in the rectory this summer. The following officers were elected:—Wardens, H. L. Jones, Geo. Taylor; chapel warden, (St. Mary's), H. R. Jones; vestrymen, G. D. Campbell, Sr., Harrison Jones, H. M. Journeay, Chas. Leary, John Journeay, E. O. Hallett, H. S. Hoyt, G. D. Campbell, Jr., H. P. Filleul, Geo. Taylor, W. W. Jones, N. B. Jones; Vestry clerk, Dr. E. O. Hallett; delegates to synod, H. L. Jones, W. F. Journeay, substitutes, Dr. E. O. Hallett, H. S. Mitchell; ushers, (St. Peter's), Chas. Leary, Norman Ruggles, (St. Thomas'), Samuel and Francis Journeay; auditors, H. P. Filleul, H. S. Hoyt; treasurer, Sidney St. C. Jones. After the formal meeting, the ladies served refreshments, ice cream, etc., and Mr. Quirk, gave selections on his gramophone, both of which added much to the enjoyment of the evening. The Doxology and "God Save the King," ended a most successful meeting.

FREDERICTON.

Hollingworth Tully Kingdon, D.D., Bishop,
Fredericton, N.B.

Fredericton.—The cathedral and diocese has sustained a grievous loss in the death of the Dean, the Very Rev. F. Partridge, D.D., which took place at the deanery early on Wednesday morning, the 18th inst. During the past few years Dean Partridge has not enjoyed the best of health. During that period he has suffered much from rheumatism, and at times was confined to the house for weeks. About a year ago he endured a very severe attack of this malady, and from this he never fully recovered. Last summer and the present winter the ailment ever stayed with him, causing him at times much pain and inconvenience, but he never complained, and at the most trying times and in the most severe weather was ever to be found at his post of duty. Nearly six weeks ago, the Dean was taken to his bed and his physician diagnosed the case as Catarrhal Jaundice. As day followed day and week followed week, and the patient gradually grew weaker, his sickness began to occasion much anxiety. Up to Saturday morning, the 14th, every hope was entertained of his recovery. In the afternoon of that day, however, a decided turn for the worst took place, and from then on the patient slowly but surely sank. In 1868 the Dean married Maria Louise, youngest daughter of John J.

Gillett, Bristol, England, by whom he is survived. Nine children, five sons and four daughters, survive. They are:—Katherine Helen, wife of Rev. W. B. Belliss; Francis Ernest, of New York; Mary, wife of Gilbert Ferrabee, of Montreal; Arthur, of Rochester, N.Y.; Charlotte Greville and Muriel, at home; Aubrey S., of Rochester, N.Y.; Harold, of the Bank of British North America, this city, and Basil G., at home. Two brothers, Rev. John Partridge, of Petaluma, California, and Charles Partridge, of England, and one sister, Mrs. Susan Edwards, of England, also survive. The Very Rev. Francis Partridge, D.D., Canon of Christ Church Cathedral and Dean of the Diocese of Fredericton, was born April 2nd, 1846, at Dursley, Gloucestershire, England. His parents were Charles and Catherine Partridge. His father is of an old Gloucestershire family of Partridge, whose seat is at Wishanger, and which has descended from father to son for the past 60 years. His mother is of the Scottish family of Gilmour, of Craigmillar, Edinburgh. Dr. Partridge received his education at Lady Berkley's Grammar School, Wotton, Gloucestershire, and St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, England, of which he is a Fellow. He graduated with distinction and was Greek Testament and English Essay Prizeman in 1866 and 1868. He held the position of Classical Master at Dursley Grammar School in 1864 and 1865. After finishing his college course he received the appointment of the principal of the County Grammar School, St. Andrew's in this province. During the time of his principalship he prosecuted theological studies, and in 1869 was ordained deacon by the late Metropolitan Bishop Medley. He was then appointed curate at St. Andrew's, in which position he served the Church for three and a half years. In 1870 he was ordained priest and in the following year unananimously elected rector of Rothesay. In 1872 he received the degree of honorary M.A., from Trinity College, Hartford, and in 1876 was elected Secretary of the Diocesan Synod of Fredericton. In 1879 he was appointed Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Fredericton, and in the same year received the degree of B.D., from King's College, Windsor. In 1881 he was elected and accepted the rectorship of St. George's, Halifax, and in 1884 received the degree of D.D. from King's. In the same year he was appointed secretary of the Diocese of Nova Scotia, a position which he held up to the time of his leaving Halifax. He has been a member of the Provincial Synod of Canada since 1874. He was a strong friend of King's College, Windsor, and for years lectured at that institution in Theology, and was an examiner in the divinity course. In 1895 he was appointed Dean of Fredericton, a position which he held up to the time of his death. Dean Partridge was an ardent Freemason, initiated in England; in 1868 he received his W.M. degree. He became a Royal Arch Mason in 1869, and he was one of those who assisted in forming a consistory thirty-second degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in St. John. He was Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick from 1873 to 1879, when he was elected Deputy Grand Master, and would afterwards have been elected Grand Master but for his removal to Halifax. He afterwards became P.D.G.M. and G.C. of Nova Scotia. In 1884 he was elected a member of the Supreme Council, 33rd degree for the Dominion of Canada, and appointed Deputy for Nova Scotia. He was as well a prominent member of the St. George's Society, and was a former president of the branch at Halifax. At the time of the Centennial celebration at the University in 1900, with other notables, he was given the honorary degree of LL.D. He always took a deep interest in the affairs of the Cathedral Young Men's Society, of which he was chaplain. The late Dean came to reside in this city in 1895. He was but 60 years old when he died. The funeral took place last Friday, and was very largely attended by the general public. Numbers of the clergy from all over the diocese were present.

Christ Church.—Wardens, C. S. Brannen, A. D. Thomas; delegates to Synod, A. D. Thomas, Capt. Ashburnham; substitutes, T. S. Wilkinson, C. K. Howard.

St. John.—Trinity.—A handsome new Holy Table was placed in this church on Saturday evening, April 14th, Easter evening, and was consecrated in a short dedication service by Rev. Canon Richardson. The table has been presented to the church by members of the family of the late Sheriff H. L. Sturdee, who was a life-long attendant at Trinity, and filled the position of vestry clerk for upwards of thirty years. The new altar, which is of full size, is a solid structure of heavy black oak in keeping with the panelling of the reredos, and is one of the finest examples of the kind to be found in the city. The gothic style, which is such a graceful feature of the church itself, has been faithfully followed and the architectural beauty and furnishing of the chancel is greatly enhanced by the change. The front of the table is divided into three panels by heavy plain columns which, with the spandrels, are carved with sacred emblems. In the centre panel the Agnus Dei, beautifully carved in bold relief, is represented. The model selected is somewhat after the Italian style. The central figure of the Lamb is shown with the head slightly turned and bears the cross and banner. Both these emblems, together with the nimbus, are delicately gilded and the whole is surrounded with well carved circles in relief. Wheat in the ear and lilies are the features in the north panel, while that on the south side represents clusters of grapes and the passion flower. The carving is wonderfully true to nature, the smallest details being given their due prominence, and the general appearance of the work is exceptionally fine. Below the panelling and extending across the base of the table is carved the inscription, "To the Glory of God, and in Memory of Henry Laurance

Sturdee. Died September 25th, 1901," and on either end appears the Alpha and Omega, and the CHI RO in gold. The north and south ends of the altar are carved with Gothic arches, trefoils, and other emblems in keeping with the sacred character of the work. The Table was made by Messrs. J. and J. D. Howe, and the carving was placed in the experienced hands of Messrs. Dodge and Rogerson. The result is a work of great beauty, which will repay the closest inspection. It will prove a lasting ornament to the church and be a permanent and suitable memorial to one who during his life-time was so constant a worshipper within its walls. Wardens, J. H. McAvity, C. P. Clark; delegates to Synod, F. J. G. Knowlton, W. S. Fisher; substitutes, Dr. J. H. Scammell, H. H. Pickett. Receipts, \$16,287.96; disbursements, \$15,619.14. The sum of \$4,000 has been subscribed towards the purchase of a new organ.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, H. Hilyard, W. H. Smith; delegates to Synod, W. B. Wallace, J. K. Scammell; substitutes, A. B. Farmer, W. A. Steiper. The total contributions for the year amount to \$5,538.96, and the Easter offertory \$1,007.77.

St. John's.—Wardens, W. M. Jarvis, H. W. De Forest; delegates to Synod, W. M. Jarvis, A. H. Harrington; substitutes, H. C. Tilley, R. B. Emerson. The meeting confirmed a resolution passed at a previous meeting of the vestry favoring the disposal of an amount of \$157.50 held in trust by the church, being a collection taken on November 11th, 1900, with interest added, for the purpose of establishing a fund for starting a church school. It was decided to contribute the money to the Diocesan Synod for the purposes of the Board of Education.

The following resolution was passed:—"That the rector be requested to give notice that the sittings in St. John's Church will be free and open to all who may attend the services on the Sunday evenings during the coming year, and that a similar notice be put up in the porch of the church."

St. Mary's.—Wardens, R. I. Carlos, S. H. Givan; delegates to Synod, J. A. Lipsett, W. A. Coleman; substitutes, D. C. Fisher, S. Willis.

St. James's.—Wardens, G. Bridges, S. S. De Forest; delegates to Synod, C. H. Smith, S. S. De Forest; substitutes, A. H. Wetmore, R. J. Diblee.

St. Paul's.—Wardens, J. K. Schofield, F. P. Starr.

Carleton.—St. Jude's.—Wardens, C. Coster, W. O. Dunham; delegates to Synod, W. L. Harding, W. O. Dunham; substitutes, J. A. Coster, E. R. W. Ingraham. Mr. E. L. Brittain, of the Finance Department, Ottawa, has presented to St. Jude's Church, Carleton, a beautiful brass book desk in memory of his father, S. L. Brittain, long a worshipper in St. Jude's. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Harding have presented to the church a brass ewer for the font, in memory of a child they lost.

St. Stephen.—Trinity.—Wardens, F. E. Rose, L. A. Mills; delegates to Synod, Collector Graham, W. Gillespie; substitutes, F. Grimmer, S. McConkey. It was decided by a unanimous vote to increase the stipend of the rector, the Rev. J. A. Winfield, by the sum of \$100, making it \$1,000, and a free rectory.

Christ Church.—Wardens, S. J. Topping, S. A. McBride; delegates to Synod, W. C. H. Grimmer, E. G. Vroom; substitutes, S. A. McBride, G. S. Topping. The reports showed a very satisfactory financial year. Notwithstanding the cost of improvements made in heating and lighting there is practically no debt.

Woodstock.—Christ Church.—Wardens, B. Bull, W. Duppa Smith; delegates to Synod, C. L. S. Raymond, D. Hipwell; substitutes, W. D. Smith, T. C. L. Ketchum. The report of the vestry clerk showed a credit balance on hand of \$369.80. From the diocesan funds in past years a grant of \$300 has been accepted by the corporation, but this aid will not be needed in future, and the parish will be self-sustaining from April 1st.

Sussex.—Trinity.—Wardens, S. J. Goodliffe, J. M. Kinnear; delegates to Synod, S. J. Goodliffe, J. M. Kinnear; substitutes, W. F. Smith, G. S. Smith. At the close of the meeting those present concurred heartily in the remarks of the rector, expressing regret at the removal of Mr. H. L. Pethick, who had been senior warden for the past year. A vote of thanks was then passed to Mr. Pethick for his valuable services in connection with Church affairs during his connection with same.

Moncton.—St. George's.—Wardens, G. A. Dodge, J. G. Wran; delegates to Synod, C. E. Norton, R. W. Hewson; substitutes, G. A. Dodge, J. G. Wran. The members of the congregation who were present at the meeting expressed by vote their great appreciation of the services of the rector, the Rev. E. B. Hooper.

Rothesay.—St. Paul's.—Wardens, J. S. Armstrong, W. McMahon; delegates to Synod, A. C. Fairweather, W. Tyng Peters; substitutes, J. H. A. L. Fairweather, J. S. Armstrong. The financial report read at the meeting was a satisfactory one.

Fairville.—Church of the S. Stears, J. Bryant; delegates to Synod, S. Duncan.

Apoahqui.—Church of the Montgomery Campbell, R. F. Campbell, W. A. Jones; substitutes, The financial report read at the receipts during the past year history of the parish.

St. Mary's.—Wardens, G. to Synod, G. Armstrong, C. Kidner, G. R. Logan.

Oromocto.—St. John's.—D. J. W. Gillmor; substitutes,

Stanley.—St. Thomas.—V Sterling; delegates to Synod substitutes, Dr. Wainwright

The annual conference of School teachers will be held on 14th of June. Rev. secretary, has secured the M.A., President of the Ne sion, the foremost up-to-date educational methods in the the part of the clergy, tea Sunday School work is ear the conference of 1906 the The programme of the con weeks hence.

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Fairville.—Church of the Good Shepherd.—Wardens, T. Stears, J. Bryant; delegates to Synod, H. Galey; substitute, S. Duncan.

Apoahqui.—Church of the Ascension.—Wardens, Col. H. Montgomery Campbell, R. Ferguson; delegates to Synod, Col. Campbell, W. A. Jones; substitutes, S. Parlee, G. H. Second. The financial report read at the meeting showed that the receipts during the past year had been the largest in the history of the parish.

St. Mary's.—Wardens, G. Armstrong, Gamble; delegates to Synod, G. Armstrong, C. A. Tapley; substitutes, T. B. Kidner, G. R. Logan.

Oronoto.—St. John's.—Delegates to Synod, H. Wilmot, J. W. Gillmor; substitutes, A. B. Wilmot, J. W. Smith.

Stanley.—St. Thomas.—Wardens, S. Douglass, Dr. A. Sterling; delegates to Synod, H. Douglass, E. R. Clarkson; substitutes, Dr. Wainwright, E. W. Douglass.

The annual conference of the Church of England Sunday School teachers will be held in this city on the 12th, 13th, and 14th of June. Rev. Canon Montgomery, permanent secretary, has secured the services of Rev. Canon Harrower, M.A., President of the New York Sunday School Commission, the foremost up-to-date organization in Sunday School educational methods in the United States. Co-operation on the part of the clergy, teachers, and all those interested in Sunday School work is earnestly solicited in order to make the conference of 1906 the best and most helpful yet held. The programme of the conference will be announced a few weeks hence.

QUEBEC.

Andrew H. Dunn, D.D., Bishop, Quebec, P.Q.

Quebec.—Very satisfactory reports were presented at the various Easter vestry meetings, which were all of a most harmonious character. All the reports went to show that the position of the Church in Quebec was most encouraging.

Holy Trinity Cathedral.—Wardens, Mr. St. George Boswell, Lieut.-Col. G. E. Allen Jones.

St. Matthew's.—Wardens, C. J. Piggott, R. Campbell. The following motion was unanimously adopted:—"That this Vestry has learned with deep regret of the resignation of Rev. William Barton, of the position of curate of this parish, and is desirous to assure him of their high appreciation of his devoted services on behalf of the congregation during the past two years, and of the interest with which his further course will be followed by the many friends he has made during his stay amongst us."

Trinity.—Wardens, W. De Q. Sewell, T. H. Mahony. Mr. H. Higgins, who for the past eighteen years, has filled the position of sexton, tendered his resignation. After several members had expressed their regret at the retirement of Mr. Higgins, a vote of thanks to him for his long and faithful services, was unanimously carried.

St. Peter's.—Wardens, A. E. Hookes, A. P. Doodridge. At the Easter Vestry meeting of St. Peter's Church, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—"That we the members of the Vestry of St. Peter's Church have learned with profound sorrow of the approaching severance of the ties which for close upon eighteen years have existed between our esteemed and much-loved rector, the Rev. Canon Balfour and ourselves. That while most warmly congratulating him upon the preferment and the Archidiaconal dignity conferred upon him by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, we fully recognize the fact that for the sake of the Church and of its Great Head, he is sacrificing his own comfort in voluntarily retiring from the comparative quiet and ease of a city rectory to assume a round of duties, in addition to those of Archdeacon, so arduous, and demanding such constant travel, anxiety and labour, that they might well discourage even younger and more robust men. That while realizing that St. Peter's loss will be the gain of the Diocese at large, we cannot refrain from once more expressing our very great sorrow at the approaching separation from the pastor who has so much endeared himself to us, and while, as members of the Vestry, wishing him every happiness and success in his new field of labour, we hope to be able to seize a later opportunity of renewing our good wishes for him in common with the other members of the congregation." The Ven. Archdeacon Balfour, who was installed as Archdeacon by the Bishop in the Cathedral last Sunday, will enter fully upon his new duties next July, when he will resign the rectory.

MONTREAL.

Wm. Bennett Bond, D.D., Archbishop, Montreal.
James Carmichael, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor.

Montreal.—The reports presented at the various annual vestry meetings were of a most satisfactory character, showing, in some cases, the best year in the history of the churches concerned. Several vestry meetings were adjourned to be called together at a later date, when full reports will be presented.

The House of Bishops met last week in the Synod Hall, on University Street, to consider matters of

importance concerning the ecclesiastical Province of Canada. Those present were the Bishops of Toronto, Fredericton, Ottawa, Algoma, Quebec, Niagara, Ontario, the Coadjutor Bishop of Montreal, and the Bishops of Nova Scotia and of Huron. The Bishops sat till half-past six, and then adjourned. During the session the Bishop of Fredericton received a telegram informing him of the death of the Very Reverend Dean Partridge, of Fredericton, whereupon the House adopted the following resolution:—"Resolved, that the House of Bishops desires to express regret at the death of the following members of the Church recently deceased:—Dean Smith, of Kingston; Mr. Chancellor Walkem, of Kingston, and Dean Partridge, of Fredericton. Each of these, in his life, has been prominent in the counsels of the Church, and will be greatly missed. This House wishes to extend its deepest sympathy to the relatives of the deceased, praying that God in His great mercy may give them the comfort of the Holy Spirit in this their hour of grief."

Christ Church Cathedral.—This meeting was adjourned till May 7th.

St. George's.—Delegates to Synod, G. F. C. Smith, R. White. Meeting adjourned to May 7th. Bishop Carmichael presided.

St. James' the Apostle.—Wardens, Messrs. Frost and D. R. Macpherson; delegates to Synod, A. M. Crombie, P. J. Coyle. A cordial vote of thanks was tendered to the Rev. H. A. Brooke, who for the past four years has performed the duties of assistant minister, in recognition of his work, and bidding him God-speed in his new sphere as rector of the Pro-Cathedral at Sault Ste. Marie.

St. Martin's.—Wardens, D. M. Stewart, A. Hendery; delegates to Synod, Chancellor Bethune, A. Hendery.

Trinity.—Wardens, F. G. Wells, F. W. Heath; delegates to Synod, A. Baile, G. Mitchell; meeting adjourned to May 14th, when the financial statement will be presented.

Grace Church.—Wardens, A. E. Dancy, W. Hynes; delegates to Synod, W. McWood, C. Manning. Receipts, \$4,454; disbursements, \$4,393.

St. Simon's.—Wardens, C. Pownall, G. E. Robins; delegates to Synod, B. T. Sellars, L. Pillar.

St. Thomas.—Wardens, F. W. Martin, T. Edwards; delegates to Synod, A. Robertson, H. R. Cross. The sale of the church to Mr. John Thomas Molson was recommended, and that gentleman's munificent gift of \$10,000 towards the erection of a new edifice was gratefully accepted.

St. Edward.—Wardens, S. J. McCrudden, P. Henry. The action of the church corporation in contesting the right of the Synod to sell the church property was heartily commended by the vestry. The financial statement will be read at the adjourned meeting, which will take place May 8th.

All Saints.—Wardens, W. T. P. Malone, J. McGillivray; delegates to Synod, E. Parker, Jr., A. E. Notting. A very satisfactory financial statement was presented.

Church of the Advent.—Wardens, G. Marler, C. F. Dawson; delegates to Synod, A. P. Tippet, E. Smith. The financial statement was a most satisfactory one.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, S. Stone, T. E. Lamb; delegates to Synod, J. Elliott, R. L. Shepard. A highly satisfactory financial statement was presented.

St. Jude's.—Wardens, N. Wight, J. Fosgrave; delegates to Synod, H. Tucker, B.C.L., H. J. Elliott, B.C.L. The warden's report showed the financial position of the church to be very satisfactory, and there was a small balance on hand at the close of the year.

L'Eglise Du Redempteur.—Wardens, L. Crefelle, A. Valliere; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Damase, Lepage, and H. T. Kerley.

St. Mary.—Wardens, H. Bayliss, C. F. Rydberg; delegates to Synod, J. C. Wight, P. Danford. By the unanimous vote of the vestry, it was decided to put the choir into surplices, the robes to be worn for the first time at the Confirmation service on May 27th.

St. John.—The meeting was postponed until April 23rd. The Rev. W. Nicholls, of Medicine Hat, acknowledges with thanks the sum of \$50 from "Well wisher," Montreal, towards Church work.

St. Lambert.—St. Barnabas.—Wardens, W. H. V. Hooper, T. McCallum; delegates to Synod, J. S. Hetherington, W. Orchard. Receipts, \$1,813; disbursements, \$1,634.

Westmount.—St. Stephen.—Wardens, G. M. Bosworth, W. D. Birchell; delegates to Synod, J. Oliver, T. Montgomery. On Easter Day a beautiful stained glass memorial window, which has been placed in the church by the parishioners as a tribute to the memory of the late Mrs. Evans, was unveiled.

Church of the Ascension.—Wardens, W. Perry, W. Schmidt; delegates to Synod, H. J. Webber, W. A. Wilson. Meeting adjourned for two weeks.

Huntingdon.—St. John's.—Wardens, A. Boyd, M. J. Rankin.

Lachine.—St. Paul's.—Wardens.—A. C. E. Delmage, A. P. Bastable; delegates to Synod, W. T. Johnson, S. J. Auchmuty. It was decided by a unanimous vote of the vestry to increase the rector's stipend as a slight token of the appreciation and regard in which he is held by the parishioners.

Chambly.—St. Stephen's.—The Easter vestry meeting was held on the 16th inst., the rector, Rev. John W. Dennis, presided. A most satisfactory financial statement was submitted. Total receipts, \$1,345.88; disbursements, \$1,213.54; credit balance, \$132.34; assets, \$193.79; liabilities, \$8.35; balance at credit, \$185.79. During the year \$242.64 was expended on church repairs, and a debt of \$51 paid off. Mr. J. E. Shoemaker re-appointed rector's warden, Mr. B. Farrell re-elected people's warden. The wardens were also elected delegates to Synod.

Hull.—St. James'.—Rev. Canon Smith presiding; financial statement the best in the history of the church. A. W. Stanley and J. W. Marling delegates to Synod. An adjournment was made for one week.

ONTARIO.

William Lennox Mills, D.D., Bishop, Kingston.

Kingston.—St. George's Cathedral.—The Lord Bishop of the diocese preached in this cathedral both morning and evening on Easter Day. The sacred edifice was beautifully decorated and there were large congregations at the services. The offertories during the day amounted to \$1,189. The Rev. Canon Starr was presented by the ladies of the congregation on Easter Day with a finely embroidered surplice.

A beautiful memorial window has been placed in this Cathedral in memory of the late James Scott, Toronto. Mr. Scott was a school teacher in this city, and attended St. George's Cathedral. After going west he prospered and did not forget the religious and charitable institutions of his native city. The window is rich in its colouring, and portrays the Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul in large figures. The lower pane of glass represents our Saviour commanding St. Peter to feed His lambs. The small arc glass at the top has the figure of Angels with a scroll. The window bears an inscription, giving the date of Mr. Scott's birth and decease. The window is very handsome in design, and adds greatly to the appearance of the cathedral.

Wardens, Mr. Spangenburg, Mr. R. Waldron. Rules of order were suspended, and a committee from the City Council and Woman's Hospital Society were received by the vestry, and Mr. Givens and Miss Chown, in behalf of these committees, made a strong appeal for the opening of the Cathedral grounds for use as a park. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee. A unanimous vote was passed, requesting the Bishop to appoint the Rev. Canon Starr acting rector for the ensuing year, and that an assistant be provided for him as soon as possible.

Mr. J. P. Walkem, K.C., has been appointed solicitor of this Diocese in succession to his deceased brother.

The reports presented at the various vestry meetings were of a very encouraging nature, and showed that the Church had made marked progress in this city during the past year.

St. Luke's.—Wardens, T. England, R. Reynolds. Receipts, \$1,073.02, including sums collected for Diocesan purposes and missions. A special vote of thanks was passed to Mr. W. Medley, the retiring choir master.

St. James'.—Wardens, J. S. R. McCann, F. King; delegates to Synod, for the next three years, Dr. Rogers, K.C. A hearty vote of thanks was given and passed to Mr. George E. Hague, the retiring rector's warden, for his valuable services.

Portsmouth.—St. John's.—Wardens, S. N. Watts, J. B. Walkem, K.C.; delegates to Synod, for two years, S. N. Watts; for three years, J. B. Walkem, K.C., and J. W. Lenstridge.

Barriefield.—St. Mark's.—Wardens, J. Sibbitt, J. Stuart; delegates to Synod, for three years, J. A. Wilmot.

Gananoque.—Christ Church.—Miss Newman, who has recently arrived in this country from England, and who has been residing in Port Arthur since her arrival, has been appointed to succeed Miss McCannon as organist of this church.

Picton.—The Lenten services were very interesting, being a series of addresses on Sundays, and during the week, this is always a good way to keep up the interest and attendance. The addresses during Holy Week were especially suited to the solemn season. The general-text for the week was, "Now there stood by the Cross," and for each day successively, "All have sinned," "God so loved the world," "Behold the man," "Love one another," "Christ died for our sins," and "When it was dark," all leading up to a climax in the beautiful sermon on Easter Sunday morning, "Christ is risen." On Easter Sunday the church was tastefully decorated with Easter and calla lilies, ferns and white flowers. The music was exceptionally fine, the solos in the anthem in the morning were taken by Miss Muriel Barker and Mr. Hunt, and in the evening by the Rev. W. L. Armitage. The lessons both morning and evening were read by Mr. James Widdfield, a former member of the congregation, now studying for the ministry at Trinity. In the afternoon there was a special service for children, with an

appropriate address and music. The collections amounted to \$743.30. At the vestry meeting on Monday night Mr. R. E. Wright and Mr. D. J. Barker were appointed churchwardens, Mr. Geo. Haddon and Mr. Finley Stewart delegates to Synod. A good deal of business was transacted, and the financial affairs of the parish adjusted in a satisfactory manner.

Brockville.—The services on Easter Day were all very well attended, the sacred edifices being crowded with earnest and devout congregations. The services were bright and hearty, and the musical portions were well rendered by the various choirs. There were a large number of communicants at all the celebrations, and the offertories were generous. At all the churches the special Easter music was repeated on the Octave. The reports presented at the annual vestry meetings, which were held on Easter Monday, were well attended, were of a very encouraging and satisfactory nature, and they showed that real progress was being made.

St. Paul's.—Wardens, W. H. Osborne, W. H. Davis.

Trinity.—Wardens, C. W. De Carle, A. Dodd; delegate to Synod, C. W. De Carle.

St. Peter's.—Wardens, Mr. Baynes-Reed, His Honour Judge McDonald; delegate to Synod, His Honour Judge McDonald; receipts, \$3,600. A vote of congratulation was passed to His Honour Judge McDonald upon his having been appointed Chancellor of the Diocese. A special vote of thanks was passed to the organist and choir for their valuable services during the past year special reference was made by several to the efficiency of the choir, and the ability of the organist. The hearty thanks of the vestry was also tendered "The Woman's Guild and the Working Guild for their unwearied efforts on behalf of the church and their generous gifts during the year."

Belleville.—St. Thomas.—Wardens, J. P. C. Phillips, T. E. Ketcheson; delegates to Synod, E. G. Sills, S. R. Gorman, Dr. Clinton. It was moved by Mr. Hungerford and seconded by Mr. Kerr, that the vestry deem it advisable that a new parish hall be erected to meet increased requirements, for Sunday School and parish work. The motion carried. The organist, W. H. Spooner, was re-engaged at an increased salary. The financial statement presented was a most satisfactory one in every way.

Christ Church.—Wardens, F. Thompson, C. Newton; delegates to Synod, F. Thompson, R. F. Hamilton, R. Greatrix; receipts, \$3,437. The stipend of the rector, the Rev. R. C. Blagrove, by a unanimous vote, was raised by the sum of \$200. The meeting adjourned for a week.

St. John's.—Wardens, F. R. Clarke, F. D. Ford; delegate to Synod, R. S. Bell. A very satisfactory financial report was presented.

Odessa.—St. Alban's.—The annual vestry meeting of this church was held on Easter Monday night. The financial statement was very satisfactory, showing the receipts thirty-four dollars more than the disbursements. The last payment on the debt was made during the past year, so that the church can now be consecrated at the Bishop's visitation in June. R. Bennett and A. H. Shaw were re-appointed churchwardens, W. Calder, W. Doherty and T. Graham were appointed sidesmen. The lay delegates are A. H. Shaw for three years, T. Graham for two years, F. F. Miller for one year. Perfect harmony prevailed throughout the meeting. A pleasant incident during the evening was the presentation to Mr. George Ferguson of a handsome Morris chair. The presentation was made by the Rev. Rural Dean Dibb, expressing the sincere appreciation of Mr. Ferguson's faithful labours for many years in acting as sexton without remuneration. Mr. Ferguson was completely taken by surprise, and was much touched by this mark of the good will of his brethren. The usual votes of thanks followed by the benediction brought the happy meeting to a close. The services on Easter morning were very bright and happy, and well attended.

Tweed.—St. James'.—The Easter services in this parish were well attended; and were bright and hearty. There was an early celebration at the Hall at Actinolite at 8 a.m., when there was a congregation of twenty, and eight partook of the Holy Communion. The altar was very prettily decorated with flowers. At this church, Matins were said, and Holy Communion celebrated, there was a large congregation present, and forty-nine partook of the Holy Eucharist. At this service a handsome laquered Alms Basin was presented to the church. Miss Olivia Elliott, of New York, having unsolicited, contributed \$10 towards the same, and this amount was supplemented by a gift from "A Friend," and a donation from the Sunday School. The Rev. C. A. French and Mrs. French, presented the Alms Basin. The church was very tastefully decorated. At the annual vestry meeting held on Monday evening, Messrs. Joseph Rath, Sr., and Richard Rayburn were appointed churchwardens, and Messrs. Chas. Hamilton, A. Wallace, Chas. Porter, Walter Bristow, Chas. Clark, John E. Elliott, and Herbert Morton, were appointed sidesmen. Mr. Clark was appointed curator of vault, and Mr. Wm. Wray, vestry clerk. At a meeting of the congregation of St. James', held on the same evening Mr. Richard Rayburn was appointed lay delegate to the Synod for the next three years. A hearty vote of thanks on behalf of the vestry and congregation was tendered to Mr. Joseph Rath, Sr., for his kindness in supplying the

church with wood free of charge for a period of over forty years. The whole indebtedness of the parish has now been wiped out, and the congregation begins the year, 1906-7 with a clear balance sheet.

OTTAWA.

Charles Hamilton, D.D., Bishop, Ottawa.

Ottawa.—All Saints'.—Sunday School children are providing the funds for the maintenance of a blind boy at the Palamcottah School in India. They have just held a most successful concert, by which a large proportion of the necessary money has been provided. Songs and tableaux formed the programme, and those taking part included Misses Clara Walters, Mamie Clarke; Ruby Douglas, Mildred May, and Lou Kingston, and Masters Reggie Snow, Jas. Douglas, L. dela Ronde, and A. McCormick. Mrs. J. Arnoldi presided at the piano, and the rector, Rev. A. W. MacKay, superintended the details of the entertainment.

The annual vestry meetings which are an indispensable adjunct of the Easter season have been held in many of the city churches, and almost without exception the reports presented of the year's work have been most satisfactory and encouraging. Earnest work in the past, gratifying results in the present, definite resolve to press forward to greater achievements in the future, this is the situation in our beloved Church in this diocese and city, and the outlook was never better. So far as the vestries have been held, the business done was as follows:—

St. George's.—Rev. J. M. Snowdon presiding, 580 names on the roll, 430 of whom are heads of families; fifteen marriages, twenty-one baptisms, fourteen funerals; 274 on the Sunday School roll, with 218 average attendance. Total receipts, \$8,843. Churchwardens, rector's, R. V. Sinclair; people's, Andrew Haydon; delegates to Synod, Col. Fred. White, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. Justice Burbridge, Chas. McNab. It was decided to proceed at once with the erection of a new Sunday School and parish hall, to cost \$13,000, half of which is already provided for.

All Saints'.—Rev. A. W. MacKay presiding; 250 families on the roll, forty-six baptisms, sixteen marriages, fifteen burials, twenty-nine confirmees, and twenty-eight others will be confirmed before the end of the month. Total receipts, \$6,481; expenditure, \$6,118. In addition to this \$8,600 had been subscribed to the Diocesan Augmentation Fund. Wardens, rector's, T. C. Bate; people's, D. M. Finnie. A rectory site has been purchased at a cost of \$7,000; a rectory fund is established, and \$300 added to it this year.

St. John's.—Rev. Canon Pollard, presiding; twenty baptisms, twenty-four marriages, fourteen burials. Receipts, \$3,494, which covered all expenses for the first time in some years. The Sunday School Building Fund showed balance in hand. Wardens, rector's, J. R. Armstrong; people's, W. H. Pennock.

St. Luke's.—The Rev. W. A. Read, presiding; 205 families, an increase of thirty-one, forty-eight baptisms, fourteen marriages. Receipts, \$2,700; expenditure, \$2,650; 200 pupils in Sunday School. The last of the old mortgage has been wiped off, and a new parsonage completed. Rector's warden, J. E. McClenaghan; people's, ex-Ald. Wm. Farmer; delegates to Synod, Jas. Daly, William Farmer, Stewart McClenaghan. The rector's stipend was increased \$250.

Christ Church Cathedral, Grace Church, and St. Bartholomew's, met pro forma and adjourned for a week. St. Matthew's until May 3rd, St. Barnabas until May 7th, St. Alban's till the 30th inst.

Ottawa East.—Holy Trinity.—Rev. F. W. Squires presided, sixty families on the roll, all liabilities had been met, and the church debt reduced. A memorial window had been put into the church by the Sunday School children. Rector's warden, Joseph Leslie, Sr.; people's warden, Major C. F. Winter.

Billing's Bridge.—Trinity.—The Rev. Canon Low presiding. Financial statement very satisfactory; rector's warden, C. O. Wood; people's warden, Henry Fentiman; adjourned for two weeks for balance of business.

Hintonburg.—St. Matthias'.—Adjourned for a week.

Cumming's Bridge.—St. Margaret's.—Adjourned for a week.

Smith's Falls.—St. John's.—A handsome new altar frontal has been presented to this church by Mrs. Stewart E. Gilroy in memory of her late husband, and it was used on Easter Sunday for the first time. It is of white figured Roman satin exquisitely embroidered with a design of pomegranates, each design being finished with gold thread. In the centre of the frontal is a crown, and beneath this the sacred monogram representing the name of Jesus. The superfrontal is carried out in a smaller design, and finished with wide silk fringe in the same colours as the embroidery. The work is done by hand, and exactly six hundred hours were required to complete it. It was made by Messrs. Jones & Willis, the well-known firm of ecclesiastical embroiderers of London, Eng.

There was great rejoicing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Waterman lately, over the home-coming of their son, Willie. Ten months ago he went to the Sick Children's Hospital at Toronto, a helpless and almost a hopeless cripple.

On Friday he came back well and strong. His cure is another proof of the wonderful work for children being done in this fine institution. About a year ago Willie fell from a tree and broke his leg. In some way it was injured so that it would not heal, and he was sent to Toronto. There they found it necessary to perform three operations on it, finally cutting away about six inches in length of the frontal bone of the leg below the knee, and growing in a new bone. It is all grown together now firm and strong. He has perfect use of it, and is scarcely a bit lame.

Warden's, H. B. Wilson, H. Layng, Sr. By a unanimous vote the rector's salary was increased from \$1,000 to \$1,200. In moving the resolution Mr. Layng referred to the rector's untiring and successful labours on behalf of his parishioners. The meeting was adjourned for one week, when the reports will be presented.

Cornwall.—The Rev. T. J. Stiles, rector of Arnprior, has been appointed to succeed the late Rev. Rural Dean Houston as rector of this parish. Mr. Stiles is one of the ablest clergymen in the diocese. He is the brother of the Rev. W. H. Stiles, the rector of Smith's Falls.

Mattawa.—St. Alban's.—This church which has had in use chairs ever since the church was built, has, at length, been beautifully furnished with modern hard wood pews, fitted up with neat book racks and kneeling boards. This work was executed by the Valley City Seating Co., Dundas, Ont., of the merits and terms of whose work, the Rev. John Fairburn cannot speak in too much praise. The work cost altogether \$122.20, towards which \$92 has been raised, the balance will be raised this summer.

Deux-Rivieres.—A grant of \$30 (\$3 of which was contributed by the Bishop) has been made by the Woman's Auxiliary of Ottawa towards the repairs of the church at Deux-Rivieres. This was made at the earnest request of the Missionary. He wishes to thank the Woman's Auxiliary for their timely assistance.

Chrysler.—St. John's.—The annual vestry meeting was held in this church on Easter Monday at 2 p.m. The Rev. M. Gover Poole presiding. The officers appointed were: John Boldick, clergyman's warden, and John E. J. Aston, people's. The lay delegates, George S. Johnstone, J. E. Aston and J. A. Cockburn. The warden's report was considered satisfactory, showing after receipts and expenses a balance on hand on the right side. Many matters were brought up and discussed and committees formed for the furtherance of church work. The vestry placed on record its deep regret at the loss of Mr. J. R. W. Chrysler, who died last February, and who had always been a faithful and devoted member of the Church of England in this parish. The meeting was opened and closed with prayer.

Maberly and Bathurst.—The Easter services in this Mission were characterized by large congregations, bright, hearty services and good collections. Though the roads were very bad twenty received their Easter Communion at the 9 a.m. celebration in Maberly, and thirty-four at 11 a.m. in Bathurst. The offering, devoted to the General Fund, amounted in Maberly to \$11.03 and in Bathurst to \$13.04. The Maberly Sunday School Lenten self-denial offering for the M. S. C. C. amounted to \$11.34. At the vestry meetings the Churchwardens were able to report a substantial balance.

March.—Bright, hearty services, large congregations marked Easter Day in the parish as a culmination of faithful attendance at all the special Lenten services. The Sunday Schools in each of the three congregations have been re-organized and under energetic teachers and zealous superintendents great things are expected. Aside from the special music by the choirs, which was greatly appreciated by all, the Altar Guilds of St. John's, South March and St. Paul's, Dunrobin, deserve special commendation; not only did they make special efforts in each case to beautify the house of God, but in the former church a new set of altar linen, beautiful in design and splendidly executed by the members of the Guild themselves, was used for the first time. In St. Paul's all energies of the Guild were centered on their sanctuary work, which was greatly assisted by a beautiful new altar frontal, the work of the Sisters of St. John the Divine, Toronto, and dorsal curtain to match, worked by the ladies themselves. The Rev. Rural Dean MacMortine of the Diocese of Rupert's Land will visit the parish on June 25th and 26th, on behalf of the M. S. C. C. A large class of candidates for Confirmation are being prepared for the Episcopal visitation some time between June 1st and 15th.

TORONTO.

Arthur Sweatman, D.D., Bishop, Toronto.

The reports which were presented at the various vestry meetings which were held in this city on Easter Monday evening, were of a most encouraging nature, and showed that the Church is making good progress. A synopsis of the proceedings transacted thereat will be found below:—

St. James'.—Wardens, J. H. G. Hagarty, A. H. Campbell, Jr.; delegates to Synod, Hon. J. K. Kerr, Lieut.-Col. Grasett and C. A. Denison. Receipts, \$20,834.91; disbursements, \$20,804.03.

St. Paul's.—Wardens, W. Cooper; delegates to Synod, J. R. Roaf. St. Simon's.—Wardens, M. Receipts, \$19,313.

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Church of the Messiah.—lay delegates, J. Patterson Receipts, \$4,731.09; disbursements was voted an increase of a bonus of \$100.

St. Stephen's.—Wardens ville; delegates to Synod, Cook. Receipts, \$10,228.22; create the rector's stipend matter was finally left with J. S. Broughall received organist, Mr. E. R. Dow municants at this church

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St. Augustine's.—W delegates to Synod, Malone. Receipts, \$5 on Easter Day.

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St. Paul's.—Wardens, W. R. Smallpiece, D. D. E. Cooper; delegates to Synod, Hon. S. H. Blake, K.C., Stapleton Caldecott, J. R. Roaf. Receipts, \$14,305.

St. Simon's.—Wardens, M. Rawlinson, W. G. Parsons. Receipts, \$19,313.

Owing to the highly satisfactory state of the finances of the church, it was unanimously decided to commence work at once on the construction of a new schoolhouse and rectory at the cost approximately of \$25,000. There was an offering of over \$10,000 on Easter Day.

St. Luke's.—The churchwardens' report showed total receipts of \$7,399.10; disbursements, \$5,968.07. The meeting was adjourned till Thursday, June 14th, on account of the continued illness of the rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Langtry.

St. Peter's.—The meeting was adjourned until April 23rd, on account of the absence of the rector, the Rev. F. Wilkinson from town, he having been called suddenly to Brockville owing to the illness of his mother. Receipts, \$14,227.18.

Church of the Redeemer.—Wardens, H. W. Beatty, A. S. Wigmore; delegates to Synod, A. H. Campbell, T. Millman, M.D., and N. W. Hoyles, K. C. Receipts, \$12,449.18; disbursements, \$12,345.35.

Church of the Messiah.—Wardens, T. F. Webb, J. Walker; lay delegates, J. Patterson, W. S. Battin, and W. Carter. Receipts, \$4,731.09; disbursements about the same. The rector was voted an increase of \$200 in salary, and was given a bonus of \$100.

St. Stephen's.—Wardens, C. A. C. Jennings, Capt. Melville; delegates to Synod, W. W. Nation, W. A. Browne, W. Cook. Receipts, \$10,228.21. A motion was carried to increase the rector's stipend \$200, but he declined it, and the matter was finally left with the church officials. The Rev. J. S. Broughall received an increase of \$200, and the organist, Mr. E. R. Doward, \$100. There were 860 communicants at this church on Easter Day.

All Saints.—Wardens, S. Trees, J. L. Morrison; delegates to Synod, J. Haywood, W. H. Lockhart Gordon, S. Trees; receipts, \$10,844.66. The rector reported that there were 628 communicants on Easter Day.

Holy Trinity.—Wardens, F. A. Blachford, M. Thrush; delegates to Synod, H. B. Blachford, J. A. Worrell, K.C., C. J. Agar. Receipts, \$4,373; disbursements, \$4,164.63.

Church of the Ascension.—Wardens, W. H. Kincade, M. Currey; delegates to Synod, T. Langton, K.C., T. D. Delamore, K.C., R. C. Bickerstaffe. Receipts, \$4,399.82; disbursements, \$4,199.82. A sum of \$2,274.50 had been bequeathed to the church during the past year by the late Miss Mary Quaille. The number of communicants on Easter Day was the largest in the history of the church.

Since the Rev. W. H. Vance, the new rector, had taken charge of the parish in July last, there has been a steady increase in the membership. The rector's stipend was increased by \$200, and the salaries of the organist and choir-master were both advanced. Improvements estimated at \$750 were recommended. It was decided to erect a suitable tablet in the church to the memory of the late Miss Quaille.

St. Cyprian.—Wardens, T. B. Wood, T. Fraser. Receipts, \$1,641.13; disbursements, \$1,647.84.

St. Barnabas.—Wardens, R. Burns, F. Pennal; delegates to Synod, R. Burns, A. Stratton, S. Mitchell. Receipts, \$2,142; disbursements, \$2,104.

Church of the Epiphany.—Wardens, P. D. Bell, R. R. Nixon. Receipts, \$4,282.54; disbursements, \$4,195.63. The question of greatest interest which was discussed at the meeting, was the consideration of a proposal to buy a site for a new church, which was offered by a friend of the congregation at what was considered a moderate figure. The matter was left to the advisory board, and will be taken up immediately.

St. Phillip's.—Wardens, J. L. Bird, C. Evans-Lewis; delegates to Synod, E. Macrae, R. McClelland, W. Brooks. Receipts, \$4,443.

St. Augustine's.—Wardens, F. W. Harcourt, E. B. Brown; delegates to Synod, Major Crozier, H. M. Blackburn, Capt. Malone. Receipts, \$7,105.10. There were 413 communicants on Easter Day.

Grace Church.—Wardens, W. F. Elliott, J. W. Congdon; delegates to Synod, W. Carleil-Hall, LL.B., J. S. Barber, J. W. Truscott. Receipts, \$2,980.90; disbursements, \$2,973.

St. Anne's.—Wardens, A. L. Johnston, R. H. Coleman; delegates to Synod, E. Hawes, J. Blacklock, T. N. Sampson. Receipts, \$8,585.73; disbursements about the same amount.

St. Mark's.—Wardens, T. Jenkins, M. Velk; delegates to Synod, J. M. Cameron, W. Gowanlock, W. J. Clark. Receipts, \$3,222. A decision to immediately let contracts for the erection of a new Sunday School was reached at the vestry meeting. It is hoped that the first sod will be turned shortly after May 1st, and the Bishop of Toronto, if his health permits, will be called upon to perform the ceremony. Up to the present time \$4,000 has been subscribed.

St. Clement.—Wardens, J. Stingnell, J. C. Nicholson; delegates to Synod, Capt. Vernell, A. E. Guest, J. H. Templeman. Receipts, \$2,217.38; disbursements, \$2,112.75.

St. John the Evangelist.—Wardens, Lieut.-Col. Septimus J. A. Denison, D. Henderson. Receipts, \$3,500. It was decided at the meeting to instal a motor to run the organ.

St. Thomas.—Wardens, H. J. Paterson, W. Rae; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Cartwright, Beck, and Paterson. Receipts, \$6,546.03; disbursements, \$6,508.08. The proposal to build a parish hall was discussed, and it was decided that it should remain in abeyance for the present.

St. Matthew.—Wardens, N. Marshall, A. Parker; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Summerhayes, Ervan, and Thomas. Receipts, \$5,117; disbursements, \$3,975.19. Two important matters came up for discussion. One concerned the appointment of a curate to assist the rector in the growing needs of the parish, and the other was with reference to the erection of a new school-house adjoining the church. After several speakers had aired their views, a motion was carried unanimously, leaving the matter of the appointment of a curate in the hands of the rector and churchwardens to deal with, the stipend for the first year to be in the neighbourhood of \$500. In speaking to the second question, Mr. Noel Marshall said that an offer of \$1,500 had been made for the property occupied by the old school, but he thought the property was worth \$2,000, and suggested that the vestry would be well advised if they waited a little longer. At last a motion, leaving the whole matter in the hands of a sub-committee, to meet at some future date, was carried.

St. Margaret's.—Wardens, J. R. Code, C. Devnell; delegates to Synod, Beverley Jones, J. Maughan, Sr., Dr. Harley Smith. Receipts, \$5,137.

St. Bartholemew.—Wardens, J. Lowrey, R. Feniss; delegates to Synod, R. Postans, W. H. Carniff, J. Lowrey. Receipts, \$1,600. During the year a surpliced choir has been formed.

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields.—Wardens, T. Needham, J. D. Fisher. The meeting was adjourned until April 30th.

St. Matthias.—Wardens, G. Hewitt, E. Reeves; delegates to Synod, J. R. Davies, F. R. Ward, F. J. Perrin. It was decided to increase the rector's stipend by the sum of \$100.

Trinity.—Wardens, C. R. Cooper, G. Stagg; delegates to Synod, R. M. Cameron, C. H. Beavis, C. Carter. Receipts, \$3,393.

St. Jude's.—Wardens, W. E. Squire, E. P. Howe; delegates to Synod, J. Y. Ormsby, J. J. Cooper, W. E. Squire. Receipts, \$1,197.42; disbursements, \$3 less than that amount.

St. George's.—Wardens, L. S. McMurray, G. C. Biggar; delegates to Synod, Messrs. McMurray, C. F. Harman, and E. Douglas Armour, K.C. Receipts, \$6,563.

St. Mary Magdalene.—Wardens, T. G. L. Barnes, P. Dykes; delegates to Synod, A. H. Lightbourne, P. Dykes, W. P. Thompson. Receipts, \$2,520.

St. Mary's.—Wardens, A. M. M. Kirkpatrick, G. G. MacKenzie; delegates to Synod, G. B. Kirkpatrick, S. T. Sheppard, C. A. Bells. Receipts, \$3,345.71; disbursements, \$3,217.71.

St. Saviour's.—Wardens, J. A. Bell, Alfred Markle; delegates to Synod, A. Laxton, C. J. McReath, G. Empringham, Jr. Receipts amounted to nearly \$1,000; disbursements, \$947.

St. Alban's Cathedral.—The ladies of the Choir Guild have presented the Rev. Canon Macnab with a very handsome English-made cassock of corded silk with cincture, also with a fine edition of Hymns Ancient and Modern, with music. At the afternoon service on Easter Day the Sunday School offerings for the Children's Cathedral Pier amounted to the sum of \$150, while the "Mite Boxes" registered \$30, a highly creditable showing. The St. Alban's Woman's Cathedral League presented at the Easter offertory a cheque for \$575 as the first fruits of their efforts for the extension of the Building Fund.

St. James'.—The Rev. Canon and Mrs. Welch expect to go to England on a visit at the very end of June next, or possibly early in July, and not immediately after Easter as has been inadvertently stated in these columns.

Mr. Cyril Ernest Ham, the son of Dr. Albert Ham, the organist of this church, and who himself was for some time soprano soloist in his father's choir, has been appointed organist of S. S. Philip and James' Church at Oxford, in England. Mr. Ham has been taking a course of musical study for some time past at Oxford, under the well-known organist and composer, Dr. Varley Roberts, who is the organist of Magdalene College in that city. Mr. Ham's many friends in Toronto will, we are sure, be very pleased to hear of his appointment.

Deer Park.—Christ Church.—Wardens, W. McRae, J. Barwell; delegates to Synod, W. Williams, J. Auden, M. Wilmot. Receipts, \$1,686.33. A recommendation of the retiring wardens to purchase a new site for the church, west of the present location, at a cost of about \$2,500, was approved by the vestry meeting. It was decided to call a meeting of the congregation and take action at once.

Eglinton.—St. Clements'.—Wardens, B. Howson, H. Waddington; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Sturdee, Howson, and Waugh. Receipts, \$2,211.68; disbursements, \$1,975.40. Of the surplus, the sum of \$140 was voted to the rector and \$25 to the organist.

York Mills.—St. John's.—Wardens, J. MacKenzie, J. Harrison; delegates to Synod, Messrs. Jarvis, Short, and Chadwick.

Chester.—St. Barnabas.—Wardens, R. Warden, F. G. Parker; delegates to Synod, F. G. Broomhall, W. E. Playter, H. Wright. Receipts, \$1,100, with disbursements practically the same. The vestry unanimously adopted a resolution requesting the Advisory Board to bring in a recommendation regarding the building of a rectory. The rector, the Rev. Frank Vipond, hopes to be able to open a new mission to the north-east of the present church in the near future.

Norway.—St. John's.—Wardens, C. F. Wagner, J. H. Curran; delegates to Synod, S. B. Philpott, W. H. Paget, and Dr. W. F. Clarke. Receipts, \$2,174.47; disbursements, \$2,121.47. The rector was voted \$450 towards the payment of an assistant. The question of a vested choir was discussed very warmly. The matter was held in abeyance pending a public meeting which will be called in the near future. During the past year the sum of \$200 has been written off the church debt. The Fogg building has been purchased for the purpose of a rectory.

Toronto Junction.—St. Mark's.—Wardens, P. Langton, A. L. Pye; delegates to Synod, G. Woodland, F. G. Martyn, C. Barker. Receipts, \$670.39; disbursements, \$561.37. The rector's (the Rev. R. Seaborn, M.A.), proposal for the institution of a surpliced choir met with general approval.

St. John's.—Owing to the absence of the rector, the meeting was adjourned until the 23rd inst.

Swansea.—St. Olave.—Wardens, A. R. Harris, R. B. Johnson. A hearty vote of thanks was passed at the meeting to the latter gentleman for the gift of an organ.

Etobicoke.—St. Phillip's.—A number of the members of the congregation met recently at the residence of Mr. G. M. Lyons, in Weston, and presented Mr. A. E. O'Meara with a handsome fur coat. Mr. O'Meara has rendered the church and parish valuable voluntary service as a lay-reader for the past six years. He will leave next month to undertake missionary work in the Yukon Territory. The Rev. F. J. Lynch, who resides in the parish, acting as spokesman on behalf of the donors, extended to both Mr. and Mrs. O'Meara, the hearty good wishes of all the parishioners, and Mr. O'Meara, in acknowledging the gift, made a suitable reply.

Norwood.—The annual vestry meeting was held on Easter Monday Evening. The various reports showed an increase in all departments, and the new year began with a substantial balance in hand. During the year electric light has been introduced into the parsonage, the congregation has purchased a cutter for the use of the clergyman, and nearly a hundred new books bought for the Sunday School Library. The officers are as follows:—Churchwardens, W. J. Fleming, and K. G. Thomson; lay delegates to Synod, K. G. Thomson, and E. P. Cuffé; and sidesmen, Messrs. Woolcombe, G. Powell, McMullen, and McCleary; sexton, D. Rogers.

Westwood.—St. Michael's Church. The churchwardens' report also showed prosperity, the new year beginning with a balance. Messrs. T. Birdsall, and N. Elmhirst, were appointed wardens, and Mr. N. Elmhirst lay-delegate to Synod.

Ashburnham.—St. Luke's.—At the Easter vestry meeting the rector, the Rev. E. A. Langfeldt, appointed Mr. G. F. Warde as his warden for the ensuing year. Mr. Frank Adams was elected people's warden; delegates to Synod, Messrs. T. H. Adams, R. B. Rogers, C. E. and G. F. Warde. Total reserve during the year, \$2,600.

Otonabee.—St. Mark's.—Wardens, A. Collins, T. Graystock; delegates to Synod, Dr. George Burnham, Peterborough; Barlow Cumberland, Port Hope, and Robert Parker, Toronto. Upon motion of Mr. Thos. Graystock, seconded by Mr. R. Scollie, the following resolution was unanimously passed that the members of St. Mark's Church, Otonabee, desire to express to Dr. George Burnham, Peterborough, their gratitude for his many tokens of kind interest in the material welfare of St. Mark's Church. They feel indebted to him for the financial aid he has given them in their endeavour to preserve and beautify their church and very gratefully remember in this connection the noble and self-sacrificing work which Dr. Burnham's father, the late Rev. Mark Burnham, has done in years gone by, as the founder and first rector of St. Mark's. Receipts, \$468.95; disbursements, \$468.81.

Georgina.—The Easter services in this parish were well attended. As usual on Easter Day there was a union service of St. George's and St. James', at 11 a.m., held in St. James' Church. The rector, the Rev. J. McKee McLennan, was assisted by the Rev. G. J. Everest. There had been celebrations of the Holy Communion at St. James' daily in Holy Week, excepting on Good Friday, so when the joyful Easter Day arrived, there was a larger number of communicants than usual. The altar and chancel were tastefully decorated with flowers, and the rector preacher an appropriate sermon at 7 p.m., there was a special service of praise for the Sunday School children, who brought their mite boxes, containing their lenten self-denial, which is given to the Indian homes in the North-West. The vestry meetings were held on Monday.

St. George's.—Churchwardens, Wm. Martyn Sibbald, Wm. Lake, (re-elected); lay representative, J. D. Osborne. All assessments were met, all liabilities were paid in full, and a substantial cash balance on hand.

St. James'.—Churchwardens, J. Graham, John Donnell, (re-elected); sidesmen, Dr. Greenwood, John Taylor, John Lyall, F. G. Tremayne, John Howard, A. Anderson; lay representative, F. G. Tremayne. This congregation reported a most prosperous year, everything paid in full, and a surplus of \$48.86 on hand.

Roach's Point.—Christ Church.—Wardens, C. Boyd, J. Boyd; lay representative, F. G. Osler.

Tullamore.—St. Mary's.—The year just closed has been one of the most successful in the history of the parish. Very much has been accomplished during this first year of Rev. S. Foulkes' incumbency. The old parsonage was taken down, and a new, comfortable, and convenient one has been built nearer the church, and has been altogether paid for during the year by the congregations of Tullamore, Castlemore, and Snelgrove. In the early part of December, the Bishop held Confirmation service in St. Mary's, when thirty-one candidates received the apostolic rite. The Easter vestry meeting was held on Monday afternoon, April 16th, and reports from the different sources showed a balance of over \$100 on hand. Mr. I. Little was appointed rector's warden, Mr. Jos. Gray, people's warden, Messrs. W. J. Morrison and Oliver Robinson, sidesmen, Messrs. M. Shaw and A. J. Morrison delegates to Synod, and Jos. E. Gray vestry clerk.

Glencoe.—St. John's.—The Easter services commenced with a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 o'clock; the attendance was unusually large in spite of the pouring rain. At 10 a.m. the children of the Sunday School assembled in the church for their Easter services; this consisted of the anthems for Easter, the first Lesson for the evening, a talk by the rector on the resurrection of the body and appropriate prayers and hymns. The Lenten offerings for missions amounted to quite a large sum. At 11 a.m., Morning Prayer was said to the Benedictus; and then followed the ante Communion. The subject of the sermon was, "The Resurrection body," "Some man will say how are the dead raised up, and with what body do they come?" 1 Cor. 15:35. Both this and the evening service were well attended in spite of a number of the parishioners being absent on their holidays. The musical portion of the services was well rendered. A very handsome altar, of quartered oak, has been placed in the church, and this was decorated with lilies and roses, placed on the super-altar; and many beautiful plants and flowers adorned the chancel. The annual vestry meeting in connection with St. John's Church, Glencoe, was held in the school-room on Monday evening, 16th inst. The attendance was good, and the general business in connection with the church was thoroughly discussed. The rector opened the meeting with prayer. Mr. Isaac Walker was appointed vestry clerk, and the business was then proceeded with. The rector, the Rev. E. G. Dymond, made a brief report as to his work in the parish. The finances of the congregation were found to be in a much more satisfactory state than one year previous. Mr. Lamont was appointed rector's warden, and Mr. A. W. Deacon, people's warden. Messrs. Rogers and Wright were appointed sidesmen. Miss Lila Rogers was re-appointed organist at an increase in salary. The question of repairs was brought up and the matter was left to the wardens to look into. A vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring wardens for their services, and also to the ladies of the congregation for their untiring efforts on behalf of the church. The meeting then adjourned to meet again on 30th inst., to give the wardens an opportunity to complete their report. At the congregational meeting held immediately after the vestry meeting, Mr. Mark Walker was appointed delegate to the Synod.

Port Hope.—St. Thomas.—The vestry meeting held on Easter was well attended, including all the officers of the various organizations connected with the church, all of whom are keenly alive to the interests and welfare of the Church. The report on the state of the Church showing the number of divine services since November 5th, 1905, 135; total for the year, 228. Increased attendance at all services since All Saints' Day, 1905, over the corresponding period last year, 2,197. Good Friday attendance trebled, communicants on Easter Day doubled, when the special offering was contributed to by all members of the congregation. The reports of the Sunday School, W.A., Guild of Service, Chancel Guild, and Intermediate Guild, were well received. Excellent work being done in each branch. The offer of the W.A. to collect the missionary apportionment was gladly received by the vestry. The retiring wardens were enabled to bring in a most encouraging report, containing an agreeable surprise, there having been an all-round generous response resulting in a substantial balance. Votes of thanks were passed to the choir, now numbering forty-three voices, the excellent choir-master, the devoted organist, Miss Tuer, and Mrs. Baker, the widow of a former rector, whose work for the Church is unceasing, followed by a standing vote of confidence in the present rector. The officers elected are F. H. Brown, Esq., clergy warden; Captain Peacock, people's warden; while A. H. C. Long, Esq., was elected and authorized to transact business on behalf of the people's warden during his absence. The sidesmen are Messrs. Hagerman, Walker, Scott, Eldridge, Rankin, Cheffins, Long, Merrifield, Morton, Smart, and Burton. Messrs. R. C. Smith, Captain Peacock, and R. W. Smart, were elected delegates to the Diocesan Synod; Messrs. Smart and Long auditors. A standing vote of thanks to His Lordship for his presence on the 8th instant, showed the congregation's appreciation of the visit.

St. Mary's.—The following resolution in regard to the Bishop's visit was unanimously passed: "To the Right Reverend, the Lord Bishop of Toronto, D.D., D.C.L. May it please your Lordship.—The following resolution was passed at the annual Easter Vestry at St. Mark's, Port Hope, on Easter Monday, April 16th, 1906. That the hearty thanks of the vestry and congregation of St. Mark's be conveyed to the Lord Bishop of the Diocese for his self-denying act in coming to St.

Mark's to administer the Rite of laying on of hands on Palm Sunday, while still suffering from severe indisposition, and praying that His Lordship may speedily be restored to health and strength." Carried by unanimous standing vote. F. H. Brown, R. C. Smith, wardens; Arthur B. Cheffins, vestry clerk; Arthur J. F. Cobb, rector.

The vestry adjourned after a motion calling for a congregational meeting on the 30th inst. A bright prospect is before the church, each member looking forward with confidence for a prosperous future. The rector of St. Mark's lost his uncle, Rev. Thomas Cobb, of Toronto, two weeks ago, and on the 17th inst., his only sister passed away at her home, Newton-le-Willows, England.

Cobourg.—The members of the rural deanery of Northumberland and Peterborough will meet in this town on April 30th, and May 1st.

In Memoriam.—On Tuesday in Easter Week, (April 17th, 1906), there passed from the visible to the invisible world the Sister Ada, of the community of St. John The Divine of Canada. Her call was sudden, and the passage to rest short and sharp, but her calmness and the merciful freedom from suffering evidenced the fulfilment to her of the promise "When thou walkest through the fire, I will be with thee." (Is. 43:2). Once before, in her early life, she had heard the voice which now spoke, saying to her, "Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away," and promptly without hesitation, she had responded to it. With no knowledge of what a sister's life might be, except that it was a life of devotion, without question as to the demands that might be made upon her by the work it entailed,—only, with a heart full of love for her Master, realizing that to that life He was calling her, she gave herself at once, unreservedly, to Him, in the spirit of the great example of self-surrender, "Be it unto me even as Thou wilt." Of that absolutely unselfish character which gives to the possessor as well as to all about her the purest, truest happiness, she was gifted with unusual intelligence, strong, good sense, and above all, in a rare degree, with personal influence. In the various works conducted at the Mission House in Seaton Village, Mother's Meetings, Children's Sewing School, Convalescent's dinners, etc., she gathered about her, without apparent effort, a band of eager assistants, and in any of her charities never wanted for money, food, clothing, or personal help. People gave to her readily and gladly, because they realized that she gave herself unsparingly. By helpers and helped alike she was beloved, and will be deeply regretted; by none perhaps, more than by the inmates of the Bishop Bethune College, to whose comfort she had for the last two years ministered in the same self-forgetful spirit. But the work of her hands was after all the least part of her loving service. A true, "religious," she had so studied and meditated upon the Holy Scriptures that she was constantly giving out helpful thoughts, interpretations that were new to those who heard them, so that as an associate said, "One could not be with Sister Ada without learning something from her." And when for the second time she heard the call, "Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away," there was no fear, no shrinking, no shadow of regret; only with sweet humility, the response, "But I am so unworthy." Then, loving messages to the Sisters and to her relatives;—once, "God is so good to me, leaving me speech and sight," and after that, as long as consciousness remained, repeated requests for prayer.

The passing away from us of this noble woman leaves a gap in the ranks of our sisters which will not easily be filled. The sisters were already few in number for the work that claim their care. Let us all pray earnestly that some may be moved to listen for the voice, for surely it is not silent. You who love the Lord, who would fain please Him, will you not give us something for Him? Will you not thank Him, Praise Him, if He honours you, if He honours your roof by calling from beneath it one to serve Him in the religious life? It is an apparent giving up of all; they receive an hundred-fold more, even in this present life.

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John Philip Du Moulin, D.D., Bishop, Hamilton.

Hamilton.—Christ Church Cathedral.—Good Friday services were taken by His Lordship the Bishop and Ven. Archdeacon Clark. The latter preaching at the morning service.

St. Mark's Church.—Rev. Canon Sutherland conducted three services in Mitchell on Good Friday. Morning Prayer and Litany at 11; the three-hour service, from 12 to 3 and Evensong at 8. A children's service was conducted by Mr. A. D. Caslor at 3.15. The Bishop of the diocese held a Confirmation service in this church on a recent evening, when 25 candidates were presented to him for the apostolic rite by the rector, the Rev. Canon Sutherland.

St. Thomas'.—The usual Good Friday services were held in this church. The congregation at the 11 a.m. service was particularly large.

Church of the Ascension.—The Rev. A. Bonny preached for the Rev. Canon Wade on Good Friday evening in this church.

St. Matthew's.—On Maundy Thursday evening the Bishop of the diocese held a Confirmation service in this church.

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Holy Trinity Mission.—On Good Friday Evensong was said at 8 p.m., when the Rev. T. Fennell preached to a very fair congregation. This Mission is in a very flourishing condition. On Easter Day services were held at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Owing to the great dearth of priests the Holy Communion had to be postponed from the morning service until the evening. The Catechist, in charge Mr. A. D. Caslor, said Matins and Litany at 11 a.m., and Evensong at 7 p.m., when the Rev. Jos. Fennell was present and celebrated Holy Communion. The Girl's Aid presented the Mission with a beautiful pair of brass altar vases and several friends of the parish with white silk altar frontal, while silk dossal with antependium correspond. These were all in place and the little chapel looked most festal and complete. The congregations were large, there being 23 communicants. The singing by the choir was also all that could be desired.

Stony Creek.—Church of the Redeemer.—This beautiful little church has for some time past been undergoing repairs in the shape of having the electric light installed and the interior repainted, and it now presents a very beautiful appearance. The re-opening took place on Palm Sunday, when Ven. Archdeacon Clark preached to an over-flowing congregation. Great credit is due the people, who under the care of Mr. W. G. Davis, student in charge, have thus contributed to the glory of God by improving the comfort and convenience of His house. The services in this church on Easter Day were well attended, the sacred edifice being beautifully decorated with lilies and other spring flowers. The preachers both morning and evening in this church were the Revs. Messrs. Cordon and Davis respectively.

Port Dalhousie and Louth.—The Rev. R. Gardiner has asked for two years' leave of absence, resigning Port Dalhousie and retaining the title of rector of Louth.

Wilton.—The Ven. Archdeacon Clark met the congregation of this church recently in the interests of their Parochial Funds and succeeded in increasing their promises towards the Sunday's offertory of over \$400 per annum.

Caledonia.—St. Paul's.—The Easter services at this church were of a very bright and interesting nature. Since the renovating of the church in January, the congregations and the choir have improved very much, so that on Easter Sunday the congregations were very large, and the choir, consisting of sixteen voices, excelled themselves, so that it was said by an ex-organist of the church, "better singing we never heard in the church." The choir is under the excellent charge of Mr. Geo. Hornibrook, J. P. Morning prayer was said and appropriate sermons were preached by the rector, Rev. J. K. Godden, and the Lessons were read by the lay reader, Mr. Pollard. The total number of communicants at both the early and later celebrations was 76, the largest number recorded. The Churchwarden's report at the vestry meeting showed a balance on hand of \$85, and the general impression was that the parish was never in a better position than it is this year.

Hamilton.—General prosperity was the keynote of the reports which were presented at the various vestry meetings held in this city on Easter Monday.

Christ Church Cathedral.—In the absence of the retiring rector, the Rev. Canon Bland, Mr. P. J. Myler, the people's warden, was asked to preside. Warden, P. J. Myler; delegate to Synod, R. R. Bruce. Receipts, \$8,364.75. Disbursements, \$8,202.05.

Church of the Ascension.—Wardens, F. W. Yates, T. Hobson; delegates to Synod for one, two and three years respectively, A. Powis, A. Brown, J. A. Henderson. Receipts, \$7,671.46. Disbursement, \$7,643.24. Before the close of the vestry meeting Mr. Adam Brown, the retiring rector's warden, feelingly referred to his long connection with the church, which went back fifty years. For 22 years he had been a warden and words failed to express the value of the friendships formed during that time. As long as he lived the interests of the Church would be paramount with him.

St. Thomas' wardens, R. gate to Synod for three \$7,448.28. Disbursements, putting the choir into surplus was allowed to stand o

St. George's.—Wardens, gate to Synod for three years. All Saints'.—Wardens, J. delegate to Synod, G. E. disbursements about the same. St. Mark's.—Wardens, delegate to Synod, S. St. Peter.—Wardens, W to Synod for three years, St. Luke's.—Wardens, J Synod, T. Partridge. Rec thanks was tendered to an brass altar cross. Just be request of those who were by a unanimous vote the increase of stipend.

St. Phillip's.—Wardens, gates to Synod, Messrs. 2 ton. Receipts, \$1,300. It of thanks be tendered to and the members of the liberal aid that had be charge of the building same; also that the heart tendered to Mrs. Martin parish hall, and to Mrs. C Communion service. Th day evening, the 26th in

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British and Foreign.

The Rev. R. P. Wickham, M.A., has been appointed Precentor of Winchester Cathedral.

The Rev. Francis Langbridge, the well-known poet and author, has been made a Canon of Limerick Cathedral.

The Society of St. Charles, King and Martyr, of England, has presented a brass processional cross to the Archdeaconry of Eastern Florida.

The Rev. Canon Turnbull, vicar of Penistone, has been presented by his parishioners and others with a portrait and purse of gold in celebration of his jubilee as vicar of Penistone. A silver standard lamp was also given to Mrs. Turnbull.

Owing to the continued ill-health of the Bishop of Truro, the Bishop of Norwich has been appointed by the Archbishop of Canterbury to preach the Spital sermon this year in Christ Church, Newgate Street, London, on April 25th.

Canon C. E. Escreet, rector of Woolwich and rural dean, has been appointed by the Bishop of Southwark to be Archdeacon of the new Archdeaconry of Lewisham. The Rev. J. W. Morris, vicar of Kidbrook, succeeds Canon Escreet as rural dean of Woolwich.

The Committee of the Pan-Anglican Congress, after consultation with the Archbishop of Canterbury, have decided that this Congress shall commence on Monday, June 15th, 1908. It is proposed to have a great Corporate Communion in Westminster Abbey on that day at 8 a.m.

His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury has appointed the Rev. Austin H. Thompson, of All Hallows', Barking, to be Tait Missioner of the Canterbury Diocese and Six Preacher of Canterbury Cathedral in the place of the Rev. D. L. Rhys, who is about to become vicar of Limehouse, E.

A beautiful tablet in memory of the late General Sir Mark Walker, V.C., K.C.B., late Colonel-in-chief of the Buffs, has recently been placed on the north wall of the nave of Canterbury Cathedral. His distinguished military career, in the Crimean and other campaigns, is recorded on the tablet, which is the gift of his widow.

For the seventh time during the period he has been rector of St. Peter's, Chicago, the Rev. Frank Du Moulin has presented to the Bishop over 100 candidates for Confirmation. This year 146 were presented, the number being about equally divided between males and females. The total number presented by the rector during the past seven years for Confirmation is 950.

The death is announced of the Rev. Samuel Garrett, Rural Dean of Ipswich, at the advanced age of eighty-nine years. He was vicar of St. Margaret's, in that town, from 1867 to 1895, and had held the post of Rural Dean for the past thirty years. Mr. Garrett was almost the only clergyman who had very vivid memories of the Clapham Sect. He was a staunch Evangelical, and no one in the town of Ipswich was more highly respected.

Some interesting excavations are being made by Mr. Breakspeare, architect, of Corsham, by permission of the Marquis of Lansdowne, on the site of the old Abbey at Stanley, Wilts, which existed from about the year 1240 to the time of the Reformation. Although many of the main walls have been entirely removed, the beautiful columns of Purbeck marble which supported the roof of the Chapter House were found where they had fallen, and a good deal of the paving of this and the adjoining parlour has been laid bare. Some fine figured tiles, representing birds, etc., have been discovered. The bases and portions of the columns of the Novice House have also been exposed, and no doubt, as the excavations proceed, much more will be discovered.

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The Rev. C. E. J. Chennell B.A., curate of St Mark's, Camberwell, London, has been appointed to the temporary principalship of the Clergy College, Perth, West Australia.

The Rev. G. H. Cobham, the new rector of Guisborough, has had many handsome farewell presentations made to him by the members of the seafaring community on the Tees.

The Rev. W. Perowne Holmes, M.A., vicar of St. Peter's, Leicester, has been appointed vicar of St. Bartholomew's, Sydenham, S.E., in succession to the late Canon Moberley.

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On a recent Sunday the Bishop of Birmingham Peter's Church, Springfield, unveiled and dedicated a new tower erected by men of the congregation and friends Mrs Ada H. Parker, W. H. Parker, the parish.

The assistant clerks, congregation friends of Bermondsey lately presented to Lewis, rector of Bermondsey a large silver tray, a chair, and an illuminated expression of the ten years' Lewis has just completed. To Mrs. silver rose-bowl has presented by the members of the four of which there are

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On a recent Sunday morning the Bishop of Birmingham visited St. Peter's Church, Spring Hill, and unveiled and dedicated a beautiful window erected by members of the congregation and friends in memory of Mrs. Ada H. Parker, wife of the Rev. W. H. Parker, the first vicar of the parish.

The assistant clergy, Church workers, congregation and some local friends of Bermondsey Parish Church lately presented the Rev. Henry Lewis, rector of Bermondsey, with a large silver tray, a roll-top desk, with chair, and an illuminated address as an expression of their appreciation of the ten years' work which Mr. Lewis has just completed at Bermondsey. To Mrs. Lewis a handsome silver rose-bowl had been previously presented by the workers and members of the four mothers' meetings, of which there are 1,100 members, as



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A new episcopal throne, of dark fumed oak, designed by Mr. G. F. Bodley, has been placed in the sanctuary of Southwark Cathedral. It bears the inscription: "Remember, we pray you, Archibald and Emily Martha Day, in thanksgiving for whose life and deeds their three daughters have offered this chair, for the use of the Bishop of the diocese, in the year of salvation, 1906."

The death is announced of the Right Rev. Dr. Morris, Bishop of Oregon, in his eighty-seventh year.

The Rev. B. Brewster, of Colorado Springs, has been appointed Dean of St. Mark's Cathedral, Salt Lake City.

The Rev. H. St. Clair Hathaway, vicar of the Epiphany Chapel, Philadelphia, has been appointed vicar of the important parish of Christ Church, Lockport, in the Diocese of Western New York.

The Bishop of Kansas City held a Confirmation in Calvary Church, Sedalia, Mo. (Rev. Edmund A. Neville, rector) on April 6th, and an interesting incident connected with it was the reading of a cablegram from England. The message was a fraternal greeting from the Lord Bishop of Barking, the Vicar of Oxhey, the churchwardens and candidates confirmed that same day in Oxhey parish church to the Bishop of Kansas City, the rector of Calvary Church, and the churchwardens and confirmees of Calvary parish. The church in Oxhey is over eight hundred years old. The message read as follows: "The Bishop of Barking (Dr. Stevens), the clergy of Oxhey (Rev. Newton Price, vicar), and the Rev. Charles Yorke Timbrell (curate), the churchwardens of Oxhey (William Smith and Reginald Mainwaring Finley), and those confirmed this day, April 6th, in Oxhey parish church, send cordial greeting to the Bishop of Kansas City, the rector and churchwardens of Sedalia, and the newly confirmed there." Ralph Price, a nephew of the Rev. Newton Price, was one of those confirmed by Bishop Atwill.

Children's Department.

AS POOR AS A CHURCH MOUSE.

Molly sat before a well-furnished dolls' house making plum jam of squashed red currants for her dolls in their gaudy pink silk dresses, but her thoughts had wandered away to the conversation going on round the nursery table. They were talking of the little lady in the black gown who had lately come to live in the cottage at the bottom of the hill.

"She has had a deal of trouble," nurse said, "and she looks half starved."

"They do say," Jane went on, "that she is as poor as a church mouse."

Those were the words that puzzled Molly, and she knew it was no good just then to ask the meaning of them. They would only tell her to be quiet and go on playing, but her interest in the plum jam had ceased; she was thinking of the little lady with the pale face and the black eyes, the church mouse.

Next Sunday she thought of them again.

"Mother," she asked, "why is the church mouse so poor?"

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This was discouraging, but Molly persevered, and succeeded in extracting the information that a mouse which had the misfortune to live in a church would necessarily be poor, because there was nothing for it to eat.

"And isn't there anything for the lady at the bottom of the hill to eat either?" Molly asked.

"The lady at the cottage? Whatever made you think of her?"

"Because nurse says that she is every bit as poor as a church mouse."

"Ah! poor thing; I expect she is not much richer."

It was not long after that that Molly, who had been sent down to the church with some flowers one afternoon, saw the real mouse nibbling at a fallen berry in the shadow of a pillar. Its quick, little dark eyes caught sight of her almost at once, and the wee brown body darted across the aisle and behind one of the pews with the fleetness of a spider. But Molly marked the place of the fallen berry, and whenever there were flowers to take down to the church, a few choice crumbs of bread or cake, as the case might be, were left for the church mouse in the shadow of the pillar. Still, in Molly's thoughts the little lady in the black gown and the church mouse stood together. She often passed her in the road, and she thought that the eyes that looked at her so longingly as she went by were far hungrier eyes than the sharp, black, beady points belonging to the church mouse.

Molly turned over in her mind what she might do for her new friend. She appealed to nurse.

"Do you suppose she wants cake and bread and things like that?"

"Who?"

"The lady at the cottage."

"I should say, poor thing, if you ask me, it's a little more money she's most in need of. I expect she has a deal of work to make too ends meet."

These east-windy days she looks as cold and nipped-up as the middle of winter."

Molly remembered how she had seen her trying to fasten her little black cape in a gale of wind the day before. No doubt these were the two ends nurse was talking about. Then Molly thought of something she had very nearly forgotten. Down in the dolls' house kitchen there stood a china teapot that was almost as tall as the tallest of the pink-robed dolls, and once when nurse had been telling her of somebody who kept their money in a teapot Molly had stowed away all the pennies she possessed in

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the one in the dolls'-house. She emptied it out carefully on the kitchen floor and counted over the contents—three pennies, two half-pennies, and one farthing!

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the pillar, and wished that in this case matters were as simple. The little lady in black and the church mouse had got to be very like each other in Molly's imagination. She was not at all sure that her new friend could not dart away almost as quickly as the mouse if she attempted to speak to her. At last she thought of another plan. Down by the river side, below the garden, on the little path beyond the stile, there was the fallen trunk of a tree, where often and often Molly had seen the little lady from the cottage sitting hour after hour looking at the river slipping by. Thither did Molly go, and, putting the little heap of pence on the fallen trunk, she crept behind a bush not far away, and waited to see what would happen. In the distance she caught sight of the little lady in black standing on the path by the river.

"She couldn't have seen me," Molly said to herself; "she is busy looking at the water."

Then to her joy she saw her coming nearer and nearer to the fallen trunk. With a thrill of pleasure she watched her gathering the pence up, one by one. Molly had laid them out separately to make them look their largest.

"How pleased she must be!" thought the child. "Nurse said it was money she wanted more than anything else; but she doesn't look pleased all the same."

The little lady was shading her eyes with her hand and glancing up and then down the towing-path as though searching for somebody whom she had expected to see. Molly could wait no longer. She emerged from behind the bush and stood with shining eyes before her new friend.

"Why, little one," she said (it was the first time they had ever spoken to each other), "I was perfectly certain I saw you here a few minutes ago. Where have you been hiding? Aren't these your pennies you have left on the tree trunk? I wondered whether you had lost them."

"Oh, please," she said, "don't run away like the mouse did. But they are for you; I put them there on purpose."

"For me?"
"Yes, instead of crumbs like the mouse has; and nurse said you were every bit as poor, and—"

The little lady began to laugh, but it was a sad laugh that sounded more like crying.

"As poor as what?" she asked.
"As poor as the church mouse; and I always put crumbs in the church for the mouse, and there wasn't anything else I could do for you."

The dark eyes looked at her wistfully.

"Yes, there is," she said. "I want crumbs, too—crumbs of love."

"Of love?" Molly asked, puzzled in her turn.

"I will show you something," her new friend said, "and then you will understand."

She drew from her pocket a miniature of a tiny child with short fair hair and bright eyes not unlike Molly's.

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BLOSSOMS.

One day a little girl came wandering in the wood; she looked here and there, among the tufts of grass and moss, saying to herself:

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"Oh, take us! take us!" they cried with all their might, but the little girl did not hear them. Just then the South Wind came along and gently blew the little girl's hat off. It fell by the clump of dead-looking leaves. As she stooped to pick it up, she spied a speck of pink, and, pushing aside the old leaves, she came upon the sweet, dainty blossoms.

"Oh, how sweet!" she cried; "and I almost missed you; now I'll have something to take to the little lame girl."

She ran as fast as she could, and laid the blossoms in the little lame girl's hands.

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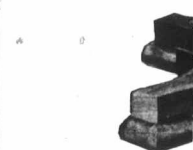
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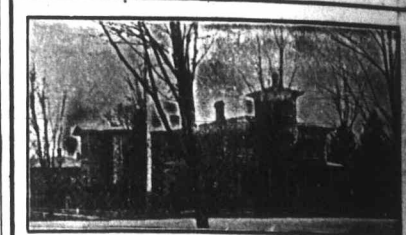
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