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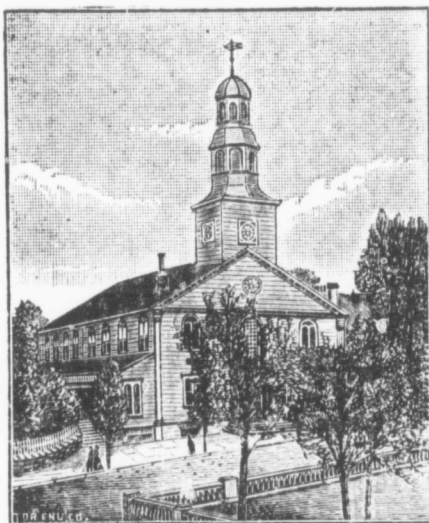
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The Parish of St. Paul's,

HALIFAX, N. S.,

A. D., 1900.



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King George The Second.

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REV. ROBERT WILLIS, Fourth Rector,	1824—1865
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REV. CHAS. HOLE, Sixth Rector,	1886—1889
REV. DYSON HAGUE, Seventh Rector,	1890—1897
REV. W. J. ARMITAGE, Eighth Rector,	1897—

St. Paul's Church is open every day till six o'clock in the evening.

Information with regard to the Church or the Clergy will be cheerfully given by the Sexton, R. Davidson, who will be found in the Church or at the Parochial Hall.

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REV. R. A. HILTZ, B. A., Curate in charge St. Matthias', 1899.
MR. ERNEST A. RENNIE, Lay Evangelist, 1899.

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- REV. D. EDWARDS, Missionary, Country Harbour.

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- REV. ARTHUR LEA, M. A., (partially supported.)
Nagoya, Japan.
Bible Woman, Zenana Mission, India.
Native Worker, Inland China.

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| J. E. DIMOCK, 1878 & '89, | W. L. PAYZANT, 1895. |
| C. A. EVANS, 1895, | FRANK RHIND, 1900. |
| R. E. HARRIS, Q. C., 1893, | THOS. RITCHIE, 1883, |
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ERNEST E. LEIGH, 1898.

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ST. PAUL'S MISSION HALL. Caretaker.—WM. BRYANT.

ST. PAUL'S SHELTER, 155 Albermarle St.,

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ST. PAUL'S ALMS HOUSE OF INDUSTRY, 100 Tower Road,

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A Brief Historical Statement concerning St. Paul's Church, Halifax, N. S.

The First Church of England Service in Halifax, was held on the day of the foundation of the City, 21st June, 1749. The Rev. Wm. Tutty, the first Missionary, says that Divine service was "performed in the open air." Governor Cornwallis soon gave the use of his drawing room for divine service, and the Holy Communion was first administered in Government House which stood on the grounds now occupied by the Province Building. The next place of worship was the warehouse of Mr. Calendar, a half-pay officer, where as Cornwallis informed the Lords of Trade "Divine service is performed three times a week."

St. Paul's Church was erected on the Parade in the year 1750, A. D., by His Majesty King George the Second; who is called in the Deed of Endowment, dated 4th January, 1760, "*The Royal Founder*" and the Church is designated "A ROYAL FOUNDATION AND OF EXEMPT JURISDICTION."

The HON. MR. JUSTICE J. NORMAN RITCHIE has given an opinion on the meaning of the terms "A Royal Foundation and of Exempt Jurisdiction." The learned judge holds that if St. Paul's had been an ordinary parish Church, the grant of pew-rents in the Deed of 1760 would have been illegal as it infringed upon the well established rights of the Ordinary (or Bishop). But St. Paul's was

then a *Free Chapel* and exempt from the Jurisdiction of the Ordinary. Rodgers in his work on Ecclesiastical Law quotes from Gololphin, (an old writer) with approval the following definition of a Free Chapel: "It is a more probable opinion that those only are free chapels which are of the foundation of Kings and by them exempted from the Jurisdiction of the Ordinary." It is clear that St. Paul's Church was founded by His Majesty, and no doubt exempted from the Jurisdiction of the Ordinary. It would on that account be recited in the deed, in order to show that the Governor had full Jurisdiction to make a grant of the pew rents in the manner proposed without infringing on the Bishop's rights. "There seems to be no doubt but that the words 'of exempt Jurisdiction' as used in the document in question mean that St. Paul's Church being a Royal Foundation had been exempted from the Jurisdiction of the Ordinary, under whose control it would otherwise be according to English law."

It may be of interest to add that in the Century Dictionary such churches are defined "Formerly, in England, churches and chapels exempted from the visitation of the ordinary, the ministers of which usually celebrated marriages without license or banns." The 63rd Canon of 1603 takes away this latter privilege of celebrating marriages without license or banns.

There is clear confirmation of Judge Ritchie's opinion in Dr. Murray's new Oxford Dictionary, Vol. II., 275 and III., 399, 400. The ecclesiastical use of the term *exempt* is defined: "A person or religious establishment not subject to the jurisdiction of the Bishop." "Not subject to a superior authority, independent." The references are of great interest. A. D. 1552, Huloet "exempt or privileged by the Kinges charter." A. D., 1621, Abp. Abbot in Fortesc Papers 165, "The Church of Westminster being an exempt and privileged place." A. D., 1868, Stanley, Westminster Abbey, VI., 516, "The Primate . . . preferred to avoid the question of the exempt Jurisdiction of Westminster." A. D., 1530, Palgr. 541², "Many abbayes be exempted from their bysshope." A. D., 1655, Fuller Ch, Hist. II., III., 525, "King Kenulphus . . . had power to exempt this Abbot from the Jurisdiction of the Bishop."

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A Free Chapel is defined as "A chapel not subject to the Jurisdiction of the ordinary, having been founded by the King or by a subject especially authorized by him."

The following references amongst others are given :

"A. D., 1672, Cowell's Interpr., Free Chapel, Libera Capella, The King may License a subject to found such a Chappel, and by his Charter exempt it from the Diocesans Jurisdiction." A. D., 1873, Phillimore Ecc. Law, II., 1824, "The King himself visits his free chapels . . . and not the ordinary."

In another authority "The Church Cyclopaedia" it is stated "The Abbey of Westminster is a Peculiar, that is an Exempted Church, amenable not to the Bishop of London, in whose Diocese it is situated, but to the Queen."

Dean Bradley in the introductory chapter to "Westminster Abbey," says, "Its entire independence of all episcopal control, . . . was its most cherished prerogative in the days of its mitred Abbots, and its 'extra-diocesan' character has been carefully maintained to the present date."

The material for the building of St. Paul's Church, consisting of Pine and Oak, was brought from Boston, Massachusetts, then a part of the British Dominions, and the Church was built "at the expense of the Crown by grants from His Majesty for that purpose, and also by moneys granted to His Majesty in this Province for the use of the Government."

Governor Cornwallis in a letter dated 19th March, 1750, says : "I expect the frame of the Church will be here next month from New England. The plan is the same with that of Marybone (Marylebone) Chapel."

It is generally understood that in its original form St. Paul's was an exact copy of St. Peter's, Vere St., London.

On the 2nd day of September, 1750, the Church, though not finished, was formally opened for Divine Service by the Rev. Wm. Tutty of the S. P. G., who in a letter to the parent Society dated Oct. 29th, said, "The Church when completed will be a very

handsome structure." St. Paul's Church was the first Church erected for the services of the Church of England in Canada.

The building has been kept in a good state of repair and is sound in every particular.

At the Second Session of the General Assembly for the Province of Nova Scotia, which began on the 1st of August, 1759, the Parish of St. Paul's was constituted and authority given to the parishioners to elect parish officers.

It is claimed that the first Church of England service in America was held by Sir Francis Drake's Chaplain at Drake's Bay California in 1577. This claim has been questioned, as Martin Frobisher's first expedition to Labrador was in 1576, and it is well known that in his expedition of 1578 "Master Wolfall" celebrated the Holy Communion upon land.

It is generally held that the first English Church erected in North America was built by Lord Delaware at Jamestown in 1610. It was a building 60 ft. long and 24 ft broad.

There was however, an earlier church than this erected in 1608, near the mouth of the Kennebec, but it was soon afterwards destroyed by fire.

It is worthy of note that the earliest services of the Church of England in Canada were held by Rev. John Harrison in 1710, at Annapolis Royal in a Church built by the French in 1703 dedicated to St. Anne, and afterwards appropriated by the English. The first English Church at Annapolis was built in 1784.

It is quite possible that services at Annapolis were held even earlier, as England claimed the country by right of Cabot's discovery, and her subjects made settlements in 1621, and held Port Royal on different occasions, notably in 1658 and 1690.

The first services in Lower Canada were held by the Chaplains of the British army fourteen in number, who accompanied General Amherst's expedition when he sailed up the St. Lawrence in June, 1759. The first service in Upper Canada was in all probability conducted by the Rev. Dr. Ogilvie, a friend of Bishop Inglis, who

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was Chaplain to the Mohawk Indians, who joined Amherst's expedition, and who was present at the siege and capture of Fort Niagara in 1759. Dr. Ogilvie at General Amherst's death took charge of the congregation at Montreal in 1760, and the Parish of Montreal was set apart in 1763. The Parish of Quebec under Dr. Brocke, dates from 1760. The services, however, were held in Roman Catholic Churches, at Quebec in the Recollet Church, and at Montreal in the Church of the Recollet Fathers until 1789 when Lord Dorchester granted the use of the Old Jesuit's Chapel. The Gabriel St. Presbyterian Church, Montreal, was used until 1814 when Christ Church was founded.

The first Protestant Church erected in old Canada was built at Sorel and was opened in 1785. The first Church of England Mission in Ontario was at Prescott and Cornwall in 1783, Kingston followed in 1785—but the first Church was the Mohawk Mission Church near Brantford, erected 1785. One of the oldest Parishes is at Niagara on the Lake, where the Rev. Robert Addison was appointed first Rector, in 1792. The services of the Church were held in the Indian Council House. St. Mark's Church, Niagara, was completed about 1807. The Rev. Geo. Okill Stuart was appointed to York, (Toronto) in 1800.

The first services in New Brunswick were in all probability held by the Rev. Thos. Wood at one time Vicar of St. Paul's, Halifax, then of Annapolis, in the Settlements on the St. John River in 1769. The Rev. Geo. Bissett, M. A., was the first Rector of St. John, N. B. Trinity Church, St. John, N. B., was opened Christmas Day, 1771, under Rev. Mather Byles, D. D., Rector, formerly of St. Paul's, Halifax, and Garrison Chaplain, a New England refugee of a distinguished family.

The first Missionaries to Halifax were sent out at the request of the British Government by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. The Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations asked for Ministers and Schoolmasters who "should be particularly useful in cultivating a sense of the true Protestant religion among the said inhabitants and educating their children in the principles thereof." The Society undertook this duty at a special meeting attended by the two Archbishops and ten Suffragan Bishops. The Rev. Wm.

Tutty, B. A. of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, the Rev. Wm. Anwyl, B. A. of the Diocese of Chester, and a schoolmaster accompanied the first settlers.

In the year 1752, the Rev. John Breynton who was one of His Majesty's Naval Chaplains at the siege of Louisburg, came out to assist Mr. Tutty, and was appointed the First Rector of St. Paul's Church in 1753. Since then there have been seven Rectors, Robert Stanser, 1789, afterwards 2nd Bishop, John Inglis, 1816, 3rd Bishop, Archdeacon Willis, 1824, Dr. George W. Hill, 1865, Dr. Charles Hole, 1886, and Rev. Dyson Hague, 1890. The present Rector was appointed in 1897.

The Three Bells of St. Paul's Church presented by Mr. Andrew Belcher, son of Chief Justice Belcher, were imported from London in July, 1812. The Tower, Steeple, Vestry and Library were erected in 1812. The Royal Arms were placed in front of the gallery in 1812. In the year 1868 the wings were added; in 1872 the Chancel was built at the sole expense of Edward Binney, Esq., then Church Warden; the first organ which is now in Trinity Church, was obtained in 1765 from a Spanish prize ship taken by a British Man-of-War; in 1873 the present organ was erected.

The Heraldic Shields, or Hatchments, which hang in the east and west galleries and in the vestibule are the memorial Coats-of-Arms of deceased noblemen and officers of the army and navy, and other gentlemen of prominence, in the history of the Empire and of the Province.

Beneath the Church are 20 vaults, in which are interred Lieut.-Governor Lawrence, 1760, Captain Evans of the *Charlestown*, 1781, Baron Kniphausen, a General in the British service, 1786, Baron de Seitz, a Hessian officer, 1782; Lord Charles Greville Montagu, a son of the Duke of Manchester, 1784, Governor Parr, 1791, Sir John Wentworth, Chief Justice Jonathan Belcher, Lieut.-Governor George Stracey Smyth, of New Brunswick, Chief Justice Bryan Finucane, 1785, Lieut.-General Gardner, 1806, the Hon. Richard J. Uniacke, 1830, Bishop Charles Inglis, 1816, and other distinguished persons.

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Among the **Mural Tablets** are those of the first two Bishops of Nova Scotia, the Right Rev. and Hon. Charles Inglis, the first Protestant Bishop appointed to a British Colony, 1816, and his son the Right Rev. John Inglis third Rector of this Church, 1850; Sir John Wentworth, Bart.; Captain Evans of His Majesty's ship *Charlestown*, slain in action 1781; Lord Montagu, 1784; Sir John Harvey, 1852, the Hon. Sir Brenton Haliburton, Chief Justice of Nova Scotia, 1860, the Hon. S. S. Blowers, Chief Justice of Nova Scotia, 1842, the Hon. Mr. Justice Uniacke, 1834, Brigadier-General McLean, 1782, the Hon. W. B. Almon, 1840, the Hon. Norman F. Uniacke, Justice of the Supreme Court of Lower Canada, 1846, the Hon. Mr. Justice J. W. Ritchie, 1890, Archdeacon Willis, 1865, the Rev. Wm. Cogswell, 1847, and representatives of many of the oldest and most influential families in Nova Scotia.

In 1781 the Parsonage was used for the meetings of the Council and House of Assembly.

The **Massive Silver Services** for the Holy Communion were presented by King George the Second, and bear the Royal Arms with the quarterings of France and Hanover.

The beautiful **Memorial Window** in the Chancel was erected to the memory of the Hon. Mr. Justice J. W. Ritchie and his wife.

The handsome **Brass Lectern** was presented by the late Mrs. J. Norman Ritchie, in memory of her sister the late Mrs. F. J. Albro.

The **Fine Stone Font** was presented by the Hon. Mr. Justice J. Norman Ritchie.

The **Service Books** were presented by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, in 1852, to "ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL."

St. Paul's Sunday School was founded by the Rev. Dr. Breynton about 1783. It is one of the oldest Sunday Schools with a continuous existence in the world, and is to-day the largest in the Maritime Provinces. Its foundation was only a year or so later than the work of Raikes the founder of Sunday Schools at Gloucester, England. The movement only obtained a footing in the United States in 1791, when Sunday Schools were inaugurated at Philadelphia,

Judge Savary in his history of Annapolis quotes the claim made by the Rev. H. D. DeBlois, that the Rev. Mr. Watts opened a Sunday School at Annapolis as early as 1728.

The Parish of St. Paul's was constituted and set apart by an Act of the Second Session of the General Assembly for Nova Scotia in 1759. The Act states "That the parish of the church commonly known by the name of St. Paul's Church, shall extend and comprehend all the lands lying and being in the township of Halifax." The township of Halifax is described in the Council Book of 1750 as comprising "all the lands lying southerly of a line extending from the westernmost Head of Bedford Basin across to the north easterly head of St. Margaret's Bay, with all the islands nearest to said land, together with the islands called Cornwallis, (McNab's), Webb's and Rous's Islands." The Parish of St. Paul's, Halifax, was the first parish legally set apart in Canada.

The first division of St. Paul's Parish was made in 1827, when a new Parish was erected "to be known and called the *Parish of St. George*. This division gave St. George's, roughly speaking, all the land (except St. Paul's Glebe lands) north of Jacob St. The following description covers the main features of the division. "The North side line of the Barrack Square into the common, until it strikes the eastern line of said common," and from thence to run westerly along the centre of the Public Road, leading in front of the buildings and premises of the late James Romans, until it meets the centre of the Public Road from Halifax to Brehm's Farm, thence northerly and westerly until it strikes the centre of the bridge at the head of the North West Arm, thence to run west ten miles, thence north until it strikes Sackville Parish

The second division of the Parish was on the 19th Feb., 1852, when *The Parish of St. Margaret's* was set apart. This parish covers in the main the western portion of the original parish bordering on the magnificent Bay, whose name it bears. It now comprises two parishes. St. Margaret's Parish commences at the Puddle Bridge, runs north to Sackville Parish, thence easterly to the Nine Mile River on St. Margaret's Bay road, thence by the course of the river to the sea shore, thence by the coast round Peggy's Cove up the Bay to the place of beginning, including all

the islands in the Bay ; all the residue remaining as heretofore the Parish of St. Paul's.

The Parish of St. Luke was set off 14th May, 1858, and now comprises the southern part of the old parish from Morris Street south. It begins at the shore of the harbour at the foot of Morris Street and runs from thence westerly through the centre of that street, the line continuing in that direction until it reaches the western boundary of the old parish.

Trinity Parish was set apart in 1888. The Deed of Separation gives the metes and bounds following, namely:—The site and building of Trinity Church to be reckoned as within the new parish and as part of it. The southern boundary to be the north side line of Duke Street, the northern boundary to be the south side line of Jacob Street, the eastern boundary to be the harbour of Halifax, and the western boundary South Brunswick Street.

There are now seven separate parishes in the Township of Halifax, which was originally constituted the parish of St. Paul's in 1759, and no less than 22 churches.

“The Little Dutch Church” is nearly as old as St. Paul's and was erected in 1754 or 1755, and was consecrated by Dr. Breynton, first rector of St. Paul's in 1760, and called St. George's Church. The present St. George's Church was erected in 1800. Her Majesty's *Garrison Chapel* was built in 1842. St. Luke's Cathedral was at first a Chapel of Ease to St. Paul's and was opened for Divine Service 14th May, 1848. Trinity was erected 1866, St. Mark's Church in 1866, St. Stephen's Church in 1876, St. Mathias' Church in 1880.

St. Paul's Church was for ninety-two years the Garrison Church for the Army and Navy stationed in Halifax. The Artillery Barracks stood as late as 1774 on the southern end of the Parade, on ground belonging to St. Paul's. It is of historical interest that the names of some of the greatest naval and military heroes in the annals of the British Empire, and some of the most famous regiments are associated with old St. Paul's.

The first British infantry regiments to attend St. Paul's were

Hopson's 40th and Warburton's 45th, and the first corps of Artillery, a detachment of the Royal Train of Artillery in the year 1750.

In the years from 1755 to 1760 there were as many as 12,000 troops sailors and marines in Halifax under famous Admirals and Captains, notably, Holborne, Boscawen, Howe, Saunders, Warren and Colville and Generals Lord London, Lord Dundonald, Amherst and Wolfe.

There were famous regiments here during the period of the Revolutionary War, notably the 33rd, the 38th, the 69th, the Orange Rangers, and the 82nd in which Sir John Moore the hero of Corunna was a Captain.

We have at this time the record of such names as Admiral Shuldham, Sir Richard Hughes, Belcher, Provost Wallis, Captain Evans, Captain Hardy and Generals Howe, McLean, Knyphausen, Haldimand, Ogilvie, and Montagu.

There will ever be associated with St. Paul's the name of the Duke of Kent, father of our beloved Queen. King William the Fourth was also a visitor as Prince William Henry.



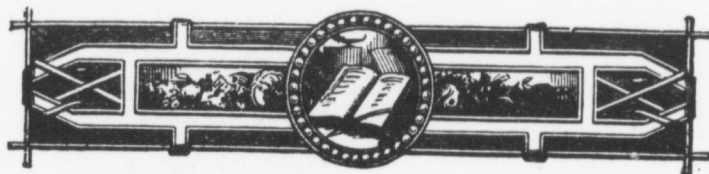
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The Rector's Report.

In presenting my THIRD ANNUAL REPORT of the work in connection with the PARISH of ST. PAUL'S HALIFAX, I wish to return thanks to Almighty God for the blessings which He has vouchsafed to us in our parochial life ; and to recognize the faithful labours of all the workers in connection with the Church. It is my privilege to be able to state that throughout the year which has closed I have not been laid aside for even one day through illness, and have had health and strength given to me for the work of the Church from day to day.

Statistics of Work.—It is customary to furnish a brief statement of Clerical and Pastoral work which I now give with pleasure :

THE RECTOR—Has conducted or participated in Services.....	302
“ preached Sermons.....	136
“ delivered Addresses.....	160
“ attended Meetings.....	320
“ paid Parochial Visits.....	2597
“ “ Sick Visits, (included above).....	447
“ “ Inquiry “ (Extra).....	190
“ celebrated Marriages.....	21
“ “ Funerals.....	35
“ “ Baptisms.....	72
THE REV. LEO WILLIAMS—Has conducted Services.....	92
“ preached Sermons.....	19
“ delivered Addresses.....	44
“ attended Meetings.....	105
“ paid Visits to the Sick..	193
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THE REV. L. J. DONALDSON—Has conducted or participated	
“ in Services.	115
“ preached Sermons.....	21
“ delivered Addresses.....	32
“ attended Meetings.....	96
“ paid Parochial Visits..	92
“ Sick Visits	273
“ Total Visits	365
“ celebrated Marriages.....	9
“ Funerals.....	3
“ Baptisms.....	11

Sermons in other Churches.—It has been my privilege to preach during the year at :

St. Luke's Cathedral, St. George's, Trinity and St. Matthias' Churches, Halifax ; Christ Church, Dartmouth ; St. John's Church and St. Luke's, St. John, N. B. ; St. Thomas' Church, St. Catharines, Holy Trinity Church, Lucan, St. James' Cathedral and St. Paul's, Toronto.

MR. WILLIAMS has preached at :

St. George's, Trinity and St. Matthias' Churches, Halifax ; Christ Church, Dartmouth.

MR. DONALDSON has preached at :

St. George's, St. Matthias' and Trinity, Halifax ; Christ Church, Dartmouth ; All Saint's Church, Spring Hill ; and at St. James', Halfway Cove.

Changes in the Staff.—The Rev. LEO. T. W. WILLIAMS who laboured for two years in the parish as Assistant Curate, was elected Rector of Charlottetown in September, 1899, and entered upon his duties in November last. Mr. Williams endeared himself to the parishioners during his stay in Halifax, both in the pulpit as a preacher, as a pastor in his ministrations from house to house, and as a worker in the various organizations in connection with the Church. He carried with him to his new field of labour the hearty good wishes of the congregation of St. Paul's Church.

Mr. J. A. Winfield.—Mr. Winfield owing to ill-health resigned his position as Lay Evangelist shortly after Easter, 1899, and returned to England. He had been associated with the Mission work of the Church for a number of

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years, first as a Captain in the Church Army, which I believe under Dr. Hole he introduced into Canada ; and later as Lay Evangelist of St. Paul's. His work during his residence in Halifax was fruitful in good in many different directions. There are many men and women who owe under God, their spiritual birth and Christian privileges to his faithful preaching of the Gospel of Christ. He was the means of arousing many careless souls and of leading not a few of the indifferent and unbelieving to a knowledge of the truth. He was also a powerful temperance advocate and deeply interested in all questions of social reform.

The Rev. L. J. Donaldson.—The appointment of the Rev. L. J. Donaldson, M. A., of King's College, Windsor, and of Wycliffe College, Toronto, as Assistant Curate, has been well received. Mr. Donaldson had previously laboured in Guysborough and at Round Hill. Mr. Donaldson began his ministry amongst us 3rd Dec., 1899, and has entered upon his duties with zeal and devotion. He has already proved a great help to me in the work of the parish.

Mr. Ernest A. Rennie.—The work of Lay Evangelist has been entrusted to Mr. Ernest A. Rennie, of Wycliffe College, Toronto. Mr. Rennie has had a varied experience. He was an instructor in the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, and is a graduate of Bellevue Hospital, New York. His experience in City Mission work was gained mainly in New York and Toronto. He combines good preaching powers with aptitude for pastoral work, and has proved himself to be a devoted friend to the poor, the sick, the suffering and the social outcast.

The Rev. F. H. W. Archbold.—No report would be complete which did not recognize the services of the Rev. F. H. W. Archbold, M. A., Honourary Assistant at St. Paul's, given so freely and willingly whenever required. His kind offices are much appreciated by both clergy and people alike. His interest in St. Matthias' still continues unabated. Mr. Archbold has, with unflagging zeal and in

all kinds of weather, kept up the services of the Church at the Mission Stations of the Colonial and Continental Church Society at Harrietsfield and Spryfield. He also accompanied the Bishop on one occasion and the Rural Dean on another on a visitation tour to the Mission at Terence Bay.

Lay Workers.—The absence of Mr. Archbold in Ireland, and the vacancy at St. Matthias' made it necessary to utilize, with the Bishop's sanction, the services of lay workers. It is with pleasure that I thank especially Capt. Thorp and Mr. J. J. Hunt, Mr. W. Simms Lee, Mr. A. R. Dimock, Mr. J. H. Balcom, Mr. Arthur Muir and Mr. C. A. Evans.

Pastoral Work.—The labours of the Clergy and Lay Evangelist have been constant and unremitting. The demands of our parochial work are so great, the calls upon time so numerous and pressing, and the engagements so many, as to leave very little or no time for matters of the first importance in ministerial life. The conditions of modern Church work have compelled the clergy to be servers of tables. Their door-bells ring from morning until night. They seldom get a meal in peace. They are expected to find employment for all sorts of people, to provide railway fares for men and women in search of work, to lend money not only for people in difficulty, but also for different business schemes, to live as if they owned a bank, to do a thousand and one impossible things and to give advice upon every conceivable subject.

There are thus many calls which dissipate time, thought, and feeling and which use up often without result physical and mental energy which might be otherwise employed to better advantage.

It is true that there is a compensation in almost everything and the fact that people look to the clergy for counsel and help may be used in the way of personal influence for good.

The danger is that the higher interests of the work may suffer, and the worker's energies be absorbed in matters of secondary importance.

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It is with no little thankfulness then that I am able to report that the Clergy and Lay Evangelist have been able to accomplish so much in the midst of so many interruptions.

It has been my great privilege to make 2597 parochial visits since last Easter, of which number 447 were made in ministering to the sick. In addition to this my social duties required over 100 calls. And I made over 195 visits of inquiry in my search for members of the congregation who had neglected to send word when they changed their addresses. In the two years and a half I have held office as Rector, I have made 5671 parochial visits.

Mr. Donaldson has made 273 parochial and 92 sick visits since last December. I have every reason to be grateful for his valuable assistance as pastor and preacher, and in all the varied activities of our parochial life.

We have now upon our Visiting Book the names of 637 families and of 383 individuals not connected with families.

The greatest problem of our pastoral work is to keep track of the removals of parishioners from one house to another. It is the exception to find any one thoughtful enough to send word to the Clergy of a change of address. Last year nearly 200 families moved and some 70 individuals not connected with families. This number is larger than the Church membership of an average parish, and equal to the whole population of an ordinary village.

St. Paul's Parochial Mission.—This work is supported by the voluntarily contributions of a number of St. Paul's people. There are one or two contributors outside of our own congregation. It deserves well of all our citizens of all denominations, for its whole tendency is to uplift those whose lives are spent under trying conditions. The work is marked by an evangelistic spirit, is begun, continued, and ended in humble reliance upon the power of the Gospel of Christ to reach the most sinful and degraded, and with a firm belief that the grace of Christ is able to keep and uphold the most tempted.

The attendance at the Evangelistic Services in the Mission Hall has been equal to former years. There is no diminution in interest and no tendency to lukewarmness.

It is a remarkable proof of the attracting power that lies in a simple Gospel message. Mr. Rennie has proved equal to all the requirements of the work. His presentation of the Gospel is marked by earnestness and power and Mr. Hague's testimony that he had few who equalled him in his love for souls has proved true. It is impossible to estimate his influence for good in personal dealing with souls, and his experience as a trained nurse has been invaluable in dealing with sickness and disease. He is many men in one, Evangelist, Pastor, Doctor, Nurse and Dentist. His temperance work is of the highest value. His systematic visitation of the streets in his district is faithfully performed. Mr. Rennie visited Sable Island in December, where he held services and visited the sick.

Mr. Donaldson takes a deep personal interest in the mission work and has given a number of helpful addresses.

We are indebted to Mr. Johnstone Hunt, to Captain Thorp, R. A., to Mr. J. H. Balcom, to Mr. A. Nicholls, to Mr. T. Abbott Cummings and to others for very valuable help at the evangelistic services, their practical heart to heart addresses being much appreciated by those who heard them. Mr. Brokenshire presides with great acceptance at the organ.

St. Paul's Shelter Mission.—The open-air meetings have proved, as I fore-cast a year ago, of great practical use and serve a most important end. The most carelees and indifferent on Albemarle St. are compelled to think as our mission workers join in Gospel hymns and preach the Word standing at the street corners and in the middle of the street. There are many signs of interest on the part of those who seemed dead to spiritual influences, and a few cases at least of persons who have been led to accept Christ and in His power to lead a new life.

The Confirmation.—The Bishop's annual visit for Confirmation is one of great interest to all, but more especially to the younger members of the congregation.

On Sunday evening, 1st April, we were able to welcome the Bishop of the Diocese for the purpose of conferring the Apostolic rite of Laying on of Hands in Confirmation. It

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was my privilege to present 75 Candidates ; 19 males and 56 females, who had attended the classes for instruction.

This class was one of the largest in the history of the Church. I bear cheerful testimony to the aid which I received from Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Rennie, who were instrumental in arousing a deeper interest in the subject, and of great help to me in the work of preparation.

Great Events of the Year.—The first great event of the year was the celebration of the Centenary of the Church Missionary Society. Our Bishop called upon us to rejoice with our brethren in the glad acknowledgement of God's blessing upon a hundred years of faithful work. The Bishop's testimony is very striking. "Its founders and those who have succeeded them in carrying on its operations have set an example of burning zeal, deep spirituality, fervent prayer, unwearied patience and all conquering faith, which all who see might well emulate."

The Third Golden Jubilee.—The 150th Anniversary of the Settlement of Halifax and of the First Church of England service in Halifax, was held on Sunday, 18th of June, 1899. There were very large congregations and the services were most impressive.

The Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia preached at the morning service and the Very Rev. the Dean of Nova Scotia read the lessons. The Rector of St. Paul's preached an historical sermon in the evening.

The Government of the Province was represented by Attorney General Longley, acting premier, Hon. C. E. Church, Commissioner of Works and Mines, and several members of the Legislature.

The City of Halifax was represented by His Worship Mayor Hamilton, and the members of the City Council. The Army which had been so long associated with St. Paul's was represented by Lord William Seymour in command of Her Majesty's Forces in British North America, and his Staff.

The Navy was represented by Captain Carter and officers of H. M. ship "Indefatigable." There were many repre-

sentative citizens present ; members of our own congregation, and others whose families have been connected with St. Paul's. There are a number of people who are descendants of the first settlers, and in whose families there has been an unbroken connection with the Church.

The Second Contingent.—The third great event was the attendance of the Mounted Rifles under Major Williams at St. Paul's, for several Sundays before embarking for the seat of war in South Africa. The services were all of peculiar interest, and were much appreciated by the troops. General Hutton in command of the Canadian Militia, Colonel Irving, D. O. C., Halifax ; Colonel Oxley and Officers of the Royal Canadian Artillery ; Colonel Weston and Officers of the 66th Princess Louise Fusiliers, and several officers of the 63rd Rifles attended the first service.

Special Services.—There have also been special services for the 66th Princess Louise Fusileers ; for the 1st Regiment Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery ; for St. George's Society ; for the Independent Order of Foresters ; for the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows ; for the Loyal Orange Association ; and for the Students Christian Federation, all of which were largely attended, and at which special sermons were preached.

The Jubilee Memorial.—The proposal that the thank-offering for the spiritual privileges connected with St. Paul's should take the form of the enlargement of the Parochial Hall, and its re-arrangement to meet the requirements of a modern Sunday School has received the sanction of the Vestry and of the parishioners as well as a duly constituted Parish meeting. It is to my mind the greatest need of our Church and essential to its proper equipment for work. It is not only the nursery of the Church, but also the training ground for the soldiers of the Christian army.

The Anniversary of the Erection of St. Paul's.—We hope to be able to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the opening of St. Paul's Church for public worship in

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September next. It is expected that the Bishop of Nova Scotia, and the Rev. Dyson Hague will preach on the occasion. It is hoped that some prominent Churchman from Boston, Mass., from which place the material of the Church building was brought, will be present with us.

St. Paul's Cemetery.—The Cemetery which has so long been associated with the Church is of great historic interest. It is one of the oldest burying grounds in the Dominion, and was pronounced by the Rev. A. W. Eaton, the historian of "The Church in Nova Scotia," to be perhaps the most interesting spot of the kind in North America.

It is a serious question as to how far we are fulfilling our duties as trustees and guardians of this last resting place of the founders and early pioneers of this City and Province. Apart from more sacred associations the tombstones which stand in the Cemetery are of the highest historical value, such sources of information being highly prized for family history.

It is a sacred spot in the centre of our city, on the main artery of our business life, bearing silent witness to the heroism and sacrifice which marked its settlement. Its monuments call to remembrance the names of many who should not be forgotten amidst the changes of the world. It is associated as well with the naval and military history of the greatest British station in America.

An effort should be made first to have the tombstones and monuments put in order, and then to have a number of the inscriptions recarved which are gradually being effaced by the weather. Once the Cemetery were put in proper order, a small annual outlay would keep it free at least from the appearance of neglect which is one of its features at present. Otherwise the records of the past will soon be obliterated and the very monuments will cease to be memorials or to tell the story of the grave. The natural interest in the all-absorbing present should not be allowed to crowd out the past or lead us to neglect the burial places of our dead.

The seeming neglect is not a good lesson to the present,

much less to the rising generation. As Sir Thomas Brown says, "Our fathers find their graves in our short memories, and sadly tell us how we may be buried in our survivors." What a commentary upon human life. Man passes from his place on earth, the record of his life becomes faint and dies away, like a "tale that is told;" the very stone that marks his grave falls into decay, finds no loving hand to care for it and perishes, his very name is forgotten, his place of burial unknown.

Visitors.—We have welcomed a number of visitors to St. Paul's during the year, and I desire to record my warm appreciation of their services.

THE LORD BISHOP of Nova Scotia, in addition to his Confirmation address, preached for us on the occasion of the Third Golden Jubilee of St Paul's. He preached twice for us in August, and his sermons were much appreciated, not only by our own people, but by large numbers of summer visitors. On Good Friday the Bishop preached one of his powerful discourses. THE REV. S. J. WOODROFFE, of New Glasgow, preached in St. Paul's during exhibition week. THE REV. CANON BROCK, D. D., of Kentville gave us an able Apologetical sermon. THE REV. R. T. WEBB, of Calgary, brought before us the needs of the Missionary work amongst the White settlers and Indians of the great North West. THE REV. J. A. HICKMAN, of Inland China, gave an admirable discourse in January, upon Missionary work in Heathen lands. THE REV. FRED. WILKINSON, of Dartmouth, preached a special sermon in connection with the Centenary celebration of the C. M. S. MRS. TILTON, of Ottawa, a leading worker in the "Woman's Auxiliary and in the W. C. T. U., gave an address at the Mission Hall.

The Church Finances.—The Churchwardens are able to report that all the expenses of the Church have been met, and that there has been a hearty and liberal response to the various appeals made during the year. The total collection for general purposes amount to \$7,488.15, the highest in the records of the parish. The highest previous

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record of collections was in 1898-9, when the amount reached \$6,612.41, and the highest record under the pew rent system, was in 1881, when the amount contributed was \$6,545.47, which included both pew rents and collections.

It may be well to keep before us for purposes of comparison the statistical statement carefully compiled by Mr. R. J. Wilson of the ordinary Church collection for the past few years.

1881.—\$6,565.47. (Pew Rents and Collections.)	
1889.— 5,442.15	1895.—\$6,212.12
1890.— 4,795.53	1896.— 6,439.16
1891.— 5,709.65	1897.— 6,493.14
1892.— 6,182.69	1898.— 6,374.27
1893.— 5,840.03	1899.— 6,612.41
1894.— 5,910.45	1900.— 7,488.15

The advance made in the past year shows an increase of \$16.84 per Sunday or \$875.74 above the highest previous record, or \$1,431.21 above the average receipts for the past ten years; and is largely owing to the systematic canvass which has been lately made for the purpose of securing a more general adoption of the Envelope System. This happy condition is due in the first place to the careful personal attention which the Churchwardens give to all matters connected with the temporalities of the Church, and also to the business-like methods which characterize the members of the Vestry.

It is said that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," it is also the price of successful Church finance where the Envelope System is used, and combined with vigilance, there must also be constant and well-sustained effort.

Missionary Contributions.—The total contributions for the year for all purposes amounted to \$13,872.10.

The offerings for Missions and special objects were as follows:

Foreign Missions, \$682.00. Diocesan Missions, \$1424.57. Domestic Missions, \$536.99. Parochial Mis-

sions, \$692.57. Aid to Struggling City Churches, \$312.00. Philanthropic and Educational Funds and for Charitable purposes, \$2624.68.

Church Debt.—It is with great pleasure I note a decrease in the Church Debt during my rectorship of \$2398.89.

Church Workers.—There are few more encouraging features of our Church life than one finds from the knowledge that there are so many willing workers in our parish. It is a good sign and many a weary burden is taken from the shoulders of the overworked clergy and lay Evangelist. Mr. Williams computed that while there were many workers who served in several different societies, that there were 60 men and 100 women directly engaged in Church work at St. Paul's. But how far short this is of the ideal that every Christian should have some definite work for Christ and His Church.

Communicants at Easter.—The number of Communicants on Easter Sunday was 590 which was a slight increase over the attendance in former years.

Obituary.—Our losses through death, as the record on another page shows, have touched almost every age and condition of life in the parish, from the infant of days to the oldest parishioners. The late Edward R. Jost was long associated with our Church and parochial life, while his sister, the late Mrs. Gossip, was probably the oldest parishioner and had a vivid recollection of Bishop Stanser, the second Rector of St. Paul's. The late Mrs. Hesslein was for over half a century a devoted member of the Church, and her name will long be linked with St. Paul's Alms' House on account of her interest in the children. The loss sustained by Mr. Davidson, our faithful Sexton, when five members of his family met their death through a drowning accident, evoked the heartfelt sympathy of the whole community. It was a thoughtful act of the parishioners to erect a monument to their

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memory. The late Robert Taylor was for over 50 years connected with St. Paul's, and for several years held the position of Churchwarden. The losses through death are wide-spread, and we extend to the bereaved relatives our Christian sympathy. To the Christian death, is not death, but life beginning, and

"The saintly soul is flown,
Where tears are wiped from every eye,
And sorrow is unknown."

Your faithful Friend and Rector,
W. J. ARMITAGE.



Baptisms.

No.	NAME.	DATE.
21,870	Florence Laura Lennox.....	April, 1899.
21,871	Clarence Jacob Zong.....	May.
21,872	Aileen Young.....	April.
21,873	Harold George Snow.....	May.
21,874	Edgar John Newbury.....	"
21,875	Harry Osborne Elms.....	"
21,876	Cora Gertrude Conrad.....	"
21,877	Alma Edith Lang.....	"
21,878	Henry Louis Williams.....	"
21,879	Vivian Ada Winfield Nicholls.....	"
21,880	George Mellor.....	"
21,881	Walter Charles Frye.....	"
21,882	Gerald Henry Dawe.....	"
21,883	John Willam Beaman.....	"
21,884	Frederick Henry Burnett.....	"
21,885	Ella Mary Shiers.....	"
21,886	Florence Ellen Pearl Hope.....	"
21,887	Francis Wyatt Howell.....	June.
21,888	Cyril McLellan Mowbray.....	"
21,889	Lilian Catharine Taylor.....	"
21,890	Edwin Alexander Thompson.....	July.
21,891	Robert St. George Taylor.....	"
21,892	Lauretta Evertree Stonelake.....	"
21,893	Frances Victoria Stacey.....	"
21,894	Lola Marie Cann.....	"
21,895	Annie Beatrice Adelaide Dear.....	August.
21,896	Stephen Bennett Whitten.....	"
21,897a	Annie Noseworthy.....	"
21,897b	Esther Priest.....	"

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21,946	Alice May Patenall	January, 1900.
21,947	Margaret Gladys Batty	"
21,848	Florence Leah Bryant.....	February.
21,949	Harold John Hayes.....	March.
21,950	Gertrude Elizabeth Hamlin.....	February.
21,951	Ethel Blanche Chipman	March.
21,952	Leonard Harding Bezanson	"
21,953	Viola Pearl Bezanson	"
21,954	Nellie Gertrude Wheaton	"
21,955	Louisa Ann Walker.....	"
21,956	Jennie Park Anstiss	"
21,957	Edmund Joseph Beyer	"

Marriages.

No.	NAME.	DATE.
8,839	Philip Beyers, Mary Miller	April, 1899.
8,840	John Alexander Watt, Rebecca Almira Pryor.....	May.
8,841	Carl Murberg, Minia Alice Golder	"
8,842	Robert John Davidson, Minnie Catharine Siteman.....	June.
8,843	Benjamin Fraser Anderson, Jessie Pierce.....	"
8,844	Edward Goodwin, Maud Perrott.....	August.
8,845	Charles Making, Minnie Goodridge	"
8,846	William Grinfield, Priscilla Mercer	September.
8,847	William Burnett, Blanche G. Taylor.....	"
8,848	William Henry Weatherby, Emily Coyle Angrove.....	"
8,849	John Cambridge Simms, Dorothy Fife.....	September.
8,850	Frederick Francis Mathers, Margaret Ethel Bligh	October.
8,851	James Davie, Elizabeth Collier	"

No.	NAME.	DATE.
8,852	Joseph Nixon, Mary Cull	October.
8,853	Donald Alexander Doherty, Mary Ellen Mullins	November.
8,854	Joseph Daly, Ida Abigail Whitman	"
8,855	Lewis Joseph Hesslein, Annie Miller Oland	"
8,856	Charles Smith, Margaret O'Neal	"
8,857	Henry Nearing, Margaret Campbell	"
8,858	James Fralick, Hattie Cleveland	"
8,859	Charles Noseworthy, Maggie Pyke	December.
8,860	James Albert Church, Mary Grace Mills	"
8,861	Charles Alexander Murray, Bertha Frederick Joanna Cray	"
8,862	Frederick Elders, Annie Connors	"
8,863	Frederick Leo Hutton, Elizabeth Brown	January, 1900.
8,864	Herbert John Marshall, Mabel Allison Barnaby	"
8,865	Robert James Cobb, Maria Publicover	"
8,866	Jahan Hirkkola, Mariana Ragala	"

Burials.

No.	NAME.	DATE.
14,690	William Deleon	April, 1899.
14,691	Mrs. Chas. Carr	"
14,692	Olive H. Cane	"
14,693	Sarah Paton	"
14,694	Samuel McCormack	"
14,695	Lily Amelia Hayes	"
14,696	John Hare	May.
14,697	John Cather Hopkins	"

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	14,698	May Louise Beaker	May, 1899.
	14,699	Laleah Cogswell	July.
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	14,701	James Coppin	August.
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	14,703	George Harris	"
"	14,704	Nancy Dauphinee	"
	14,705	Annie Noseworthy	September.
"	14,706	Edward R. Jost	"
	14,707	Anne Austin	"
"	14,708	William R. Hamilton	"
	14,709	Mabel Davidson	"
"	14,710	Florence M. Davidson	"
	14,711	Alice M. Davidson	"
"	14,712	Robert J. Davidson	"
	14,713	Minnie C. S. Davidson	"
"	14,714	Reginald H. Sinclair	"
ber.	14,715	Allen S. Duguid	"
	14,716	Eliza Little	"
"	14,717	Louise H. McPherson	"
	14,718	Ella Williams	October.
"	14,719	Eliza Slade	"
	14,720	Eleanor Warner	November.
"	14,721	Jane Strachan Stevens	"
	14,722	Mary Smith	December.
	14,723	Mary Verge	January, 1900.
ary, 1900.	14,724	Sarah Gossip	"
"	14,725	Sarah Davis	"
	14,726	Maud Pettipas	"
"	14,727	Samuel A. Hallatt	"
	14,728	Robert Taylor	"
"	14,729	Minnie Johnston	"
	14,730	Lily B. Monte	February.
	14,731	Elizabeth Hesslein	"
	14,732	Maria Hallett Thorne	"
	14,733	Sarah Ann Rudolph Renner	"
	14,734	Gertrude Elizabeth Hamlin	March.
	14,735	Cecil Johnson	"
	14,736	Frederick Lancelot Harris	"
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Confirmation.

MALES.

Pyke, Leonard
 Cobb, Robert James
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 Thompson, Geo. Edward
 Hare, Thomas
 Mason, Edgar
 Coulstring, Arthur
 Cann, William
 Shields, Leo

Gray, Harry
 Pearch, James
 Redden, John Keith
 Nixon, Joseph
 Naylor, George
 Harvey, Alfred
 Bezanson, Harding Porter
 Tupper, Frederick B.
 Tupper, Charles F.

FEMALES.

Hooper, Elizabeth
 Adams, Lizzie
 Keating, Lily
 Burke, Nellie
 Burke, Kate
 Munro, Marion
 Hill, Melissa Maud
 Flawn, Ethel
 Large, Amy
 Carter, Alice
 Dicker, Lily
 Crowe, Lena
 Field, Jessie
 Umlah, Minnie
 Woodaman, Eva
 Nauss, Effie
 Bennett, Ethel
 Cabot, Bertha
 Stone, Hattie
 Boutelier, Jessie
 Stawell, Beatrice
 Adams, Mary Ann
 Dauphinee, Sarah
 Payne, Bessie
 Sturmy, Bertie
 Harry, Ada
 King, Muriel Stewart
 Beckwith, Frances Amy M.

Ritchie, Adelaide Albro
 Morrison, Winnifred
 Wilson, Maggie
 Blakeborough, Rebekah
 Knight, Jennie Esther
 Myers, Hattie
 Cochran, Lavinia
 Quinn, Florence B.
 Stevens, Annie
 McLaughlin, Amy
 Renner, Maude
 Ledden, Flossie
 Williams, Elver
 Stacey, Mary
 Williams, Annie
 Brown, Emma
 Davidson, Mary Ann
 Pyke, Jane
 Bezanson, Faunces
 Myra, Katie
 Munroe, Annie
 Churchill, Isabella
 Skeard, Ada Frances
 Beck, Milly
 Filleul, Maude
 McNeil, Marion
 Anstiss, Jennie Park
 Mont, Annie

Communicants.

Number enrolled in Parish Register 953
 Largest number communicating on any Sunday, (Easter, 1900). 590

St. Paul's Parish Mission.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION HALL—(Cor. Argyle and George Sts.)

The work of the Mission has been interrupted somewhat by the ill health of Mr. Winfield, and the change to a new evangelist. The want of the sight of an old friend has retarded some from coming as in the past. The Mission however continues to be successful. The attendance at the meetings is exceptionally good, it being a common occurrence for people to have to go away, because of want of accommodation.

The Branch of the Church of England Temperance Society has been doing good work, but in this there is great room for improvement; it should be more of a working power to work for outsiders than a social pleasure club. The men's meetings are not well attended and all manner of excuses are given. Some who attended from personal interest in, and friendship for the late evangelist do not come. It is difficult to meet the difficulties in regard to this most important work, because the men can only be successfully visited in the evenings, and at that time the evangelist is occupied with meetings.

The woman's meeting conducted by Mr. C. A. Evans is in a flourishing condition. The women still continue to contribute two cents a Sunday for the purchase of books. A small amount added (to the sum thus collected) according to their attendance, and the fact that Mr. Evans, gets the books at special low rates, results in the women getting some very good literature at a very low cost. Some of the women have asked particularly for standard religious books, and a large number have received the Scriptures. Thus it has been the means of placing the Word of God in many a household.

READING ROOMS.

The Reading Rooms have not been the success that it was hoped that they would be. The last year's report notes that they were not quite as well attended as formerly, on account of similar institutions of a like nature having started

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near by. This is part of the reason that they were not much used the past season. What ever is worth doing is worth doing well. A Reading Room to be successful needs the presence, of some one to welcome, those who come, some one to take care of the games, etc., that belong there and to keep order.

The Woman's Reading Room has been most useful for the Woman's Bible Class, and also for holding prayer meetings, mother's meetings, etc.

THE SHELTER.

The Shelter continues to prove itself of great value. Quite a number of worthy destitute men have received food and shelter, and a number of unworthy have also been helped in the hope of influencing them for good, with very encouraging results in a few cases.

THE LABOUR BUREAU.

Please keep this in mind, and send word by post card, or otherwise, when help is wanted. A number of people are registered who are ready for work. Men have not been out of employment as much the past winter as in years past, the reason being, that so much money was expended in fitting out the transport troopships.

THE CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

There has been a great demand for clothing of all sorts, men's clothes, and especially men's boots have been in great demand. The contributions of clothing to the sufferers from the cyclone in the West Indies is the assigned cause for the scarcity of the needful in this department. Please remember that Boxes are kept for the purpose of storing second hand clothing. Boots that appear to be useless, if given, can be half soled and made serviceable. At house cleaning time remember the work, send a card to 62 Argyle St. and any contribution will be called for at your address.

VISITING.

This work has been increased by 1533 visits. The increase has been greatest, in regard to visits to the sick, there being 752 visits over the number for last year.

The Dispensary officials have been kind in filling some prescriptions of outside doctors for which I applied because the parties were unable to obtain the medicine otherwise.

It gives me pleasure to thank some of the Doctors, who have attended cases where a doctor was immediately needed at hours that, under ordinary circumstances, medical attendance could not be obtained from the Dispensary. I would thank particularly Drs. Buckley, Gow, Wallace, and Weaver.

I have not kept account of the number of prescriptions that I have countersigned and sent to a druggist to be filled, nor the cost of simple remedies that I have ordered myself. If this work is to be continued as in the past, a small fund will be needed to meet this expense. I wish to thank the druggists who so kindly let me have supplies at special rates.

OTHER MEETINGS.

The Friday night Concert and Temperance Meeting's have been a great success and this result is mainly due to the excellent programmes that have been given. Great credit is due to the two committees which provide the entertainment on alternate Friday nights. The members of the committee are Mr. T. Abbott Cummings and Miss Bowden ; Miss Kellogg and Miss J. Share. Mrs. Bryant's services in supplying a programme, often on short notice, when for some cause the regular programme was not forthcoming, were very acceptable. Mr. Brokenshire has given valuable assistance in taking charge of the music at the Sunday evening meetings.

I wish to thank all the friends who have so willingly assisted at the Temperance meetings. I am sure that a great benefit must accrue to the young people who have so ably taken part in these exercises. As we learn to do good we receive good.

THE UPPER STREETS.

In very few cities on this continent are those living a life of sin allowed so much freedom as in the City of Halifax. Girls clothed, as many are on the upper streets dare not step across a door step into the street without being arrested, in the large American cities, even in port-towns.

It is a shame that streets that are not considered fit and proper for Soldiers of the Queen are considered all right for the sons of the citizens of Halifax.

The ladies of Fort Massey Church have made use of "The Shelter Mission," and have done a very good work by giving an afternoon tea once a week, and forming a sewing circle. They have been helpful to me in many ways. I have to thank Mr. J. J. Hunt, Capt. Thorp, R. A., Mr. W. J. Clayton, Mr. Evans, and others, for their valuable assistance.

The work has not been without some very definite results. Girls have been sent home from houses of sin. And children have been removed from environment of evil and adopted into families where, love and care, are lavished upon them. It is the duty of the citizens of Halifax, and particularly of St. Paul's Church members, to see that children are not reared under such sinful influences, that they will graduate into criminals. Their removal can often be accomplished by mild rather than drastic measures. The influence of helpfulness and love with a kind word of advice will do more good than force.

To do this work money is required and the united effort of the Churches of Halifax. Those who cannot help directly on the street can help in their Churches and at home by upholding the workers and the work in prayer. A Gospel Wagon is needed so that a large choir of good voices at least twelve could be depended on each night that a service is held. This would be a double blessing; it would draw the Christian Churches together by a united work and the Gospel of Christ would be preached to perishing souls. I have no sympathy with the idea that those on the street are past hope, **IT IS NOT TRUE**, those who live on the verge of the uttermost live elsewhere; they are they, who sustain the streets by their means, and also those who have no sympathy for the lost. May God help them; they need our sympathy and prayer even more than those living in sin on the upper streets. I wish to thank the friends of St. Paul's for allowing me to be your visitor and almoner amongst the poor, the afflicted and the sinful.

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The sign of Christ in a Church is the presence of Christ's work, by their fruits ye shall know them. It is for us to see that the sick and afflicted are attended in their troubles and that the poor have the Gospel preached unto them.

STATISTICS OF LAY EVANGELIST'S WORK.

Total number of visits of all kinds.....	4226
Systematic Enquiry Visits.....	1634
" Pastoral ".....	289
Mission ".....	1364
Sick ".....	922
Christmas Gift ".....	18
Services.....	92
Total number of meetings of all kinds.....	369
Evangelistic meetings.....	104
Temperance ".....	76
Men's ".....	52
Women's " (Mr. Evans).....	52
Other meetings.....	79
Meetings taken by others.....	6
Addresses delivered.....	236
" by others.....	14
Sermons.....	17
Lectures.....	3
Total Abstinence pledges taken.....	64
Number of Men in Shelter.....	78
Meals given.....	332
Beds.....	166
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VISITS OF MR. WINFIELD FOR 4 MONTHS,

MR. RENNIE FOR 8 MONTHS.

	Winfield.	Rennie.
Systematic Enquiry Visits.....	913	721
" Pastoral and Mission Visits.....	445	1208
Sick Visits.....	82	840
Christmas Gift Visits.....		18
Services.....	52	40
Other Meetings.....	90	221
Addresses.....	76	160
Sermons.....	10	17
Lectures.....		3

ERNEST A. RENNIE,

Lay Evangelist.

Church of England Temperance Society.

PATRON—HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

ST. PAUL'S SENIOR BRANCH ORGANIZED 1897.

President,—Rev. W. J. Armitage.

Vice-President,—E. A. Rennie.

Secretary,—Geo. Knowdell.

Doorkeeper,—Wm. Bryant.

Temperance meetings have been held every Friday night for some years, and in 1897 a branch of the C. E. T. S. was formed and affiliated to the Parent Society. Last year 73 total abstinence pledges were taken and 64 this year; at the meetings large numbers of the people who signed the pledge in previous years were to a certain extent lost for want of organization. Seventy-six temperance meetings were held last year and 76 this year; 160 have been initiated in the branch, but removals from the city and lapsed members leaves the number on the roll at present at 61. Splendid entertainments have been provided by members of almost every church in the city, under the able management of Mr. T. Abbott Cummings, Miss Bowden, Miss Kellogg and Miss Janie Share.

Branch meetings for members only are held the second and last Thursday of each month.

GEORGE KNOWDELL, *Secretary*.

The Mother's Meeting.

President.—Mrs. Archbold.

Committee,—Mrs. Starr, Mrs. Shortt, Mrs. Weaver.

The Mother's Meeting is held in the Women's Reading room at the Mission Hall, every Thursday afternoon during the winter. We have had 22 meetings, with an average attendance according to the roll of 19.

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The prevalence of whooping cough and influenza has reduced the number considerably, as there is scarcely a family connected with our meeting, which has been free from one or other of these complaints.

Since Christmas, the Committee have suffered much from sickness, either themselves or from that of members of their families, so much so, that, but for the help of outside friends, the meetings could scarcely have been continued.

We feel very much indebted to Mrs. Thorp and Miss Cook for their kind assistance, to Dr. Jane Hartz for a lecture, and also to Mr. Rennie for the interest he has taken in the work.

The "Mothers" have a tea once a month; and the afternoon on which that takes place, is spent mostly in a social way.

The members much appreciate the opportunity they have, of getting dry goods for their families, by small weekly payments, and in many ways, the regular attendants find the meetings pleasant, and we trust profitable.

E. D. WEAVER, *Sec. pro tem.*

Children's Kindergarten.

The Kindergarten in connection with the Mother's meeting has not been as successful as we would have liked this year, on account of so much sickness among the children. At Christmas the hearts of the little ones were made happy by a Christmas tree, games occupied the first part of the afternoon, then Mr. Donaldson representing Santa Claus, distributed to the children its contents, tea followed which needless to say was appreciated. Since Christmas, Miss Annie Mahon and Miss Mabel Pyke, have taken the meetings, both being most efficient to carry on the work.

NETTIE KELLOGG.

St. Paul's Shelter Mission.

ALBEMARLE STREET.

The work in the above street was carried out last summer as usual, beginning about the 1st of May and continuing till the month of October. Open Air meetings were held every Monday evening. Capt. Thorp, Mr. Rennie and others addressed the meetings, and were always listened to with marked attention. The very ones we desired to reach were those we found on the street. For obvious reasons many of these refused absolutely to go into a building when religious services are being held, but will stand and listen with respect to almost any earnest speaker in the street—hence the importance of the work. The individual results so far are few but we believe that at some future time the seed sown will have fruit.

On behalf of Committee,

J. J. HUNT.

Halifax, April 16th, 1900.

The District Visitors.

This work since its re-organization has been systematically carried on. The monthly reports are very helpful. We are in need of more workers in this department. An effort is made to visit the crowded streets in the neighbourhood of the Church, especially, although other districts are not overlooked. The visitors are:—Mrs. Halls Mrs R. T. LePine, Mrs. W. A. Major, Mrs. Roue, Mrs. J. H. Symons, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Weaver, Mrs. Woodaman, Miss Jane Tremaine, Miss Jane Hodgson, Miss Anderton, Miss Kellogg.

The general object of the Visitor is to make those who are visited feel that somebody belonging to the Church, is taking an interest in them, and to invite them to the Church services. Enquiries as to the number of children (if any), whether they come to the Sunday School, whether the husband or grown up sons and daughters, or married members of the family attend St. Paul's, come to the Sunday School or Bible Classes, etc., etc., all follow.

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But another and important object should also be held steadily in view by the visitor and that is to endeavour to enlist the interest of the people in the various works of the Church, and to secure their co-operation.

Then again cases of sickness or need, loneliness or friendlessness, of disaffection or complaint, are found out and reported to the Clergy, and names of people who might attend the Church meetings.

It is impossible to estimate the good which may be done by an earnest Christian woman, with the gift of sanctified common sense, and with a cheerful manner, and above all with a heart full of sympathetic love who goes from house to house seeking the good of the inmates in the spirit of our Divine Master.

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St. Paul's Working Society.

The annual meeting of St. Paul's Working Society which is one of the oldest organizations connected with St. Paul's Church, took place on Wednesday, Jan. 3rd, 1900. The Secretary's report was received by the Rector; also the Treasurer's, and moved for adoption by Mrs. Allison, seconded by Mrs. Pyke. The following ladies were appointed officers for 1900 :

- President*,—Mrs. G. A. Pyke ; *Vice-President*,—Mrs. Edwards.
Treasurer,—Miss Tremaine ; *Assistant Treasurer*,—Miss Edwards.
Secretary,—Mrs. C. C. Blackadar ; *Ass. Sec'y*.—Miss E. Kellogg.
Librarian,—Miss M. Pyke ; *Ass. Librarian*,—Miss M. Dimock.
Buyers,—Mrs. Pyke. Mrs. Halls. Work given out Jan. 17th.

STATEMENT OF SECRETARY OF ST. PAUL'S WORKING SOCIETY.

1900. Garments from previous year.....	3	
Made in 1900.....	552	
	555	
Sold to Women.....	507	
Sold by Committee.....	25	
Not returned.....	20	
Badly made	1	
Articles in Closet at close.....	2	
	555	

There were 18 pairs of sheets sold, also several pieces of Flannelette. 73 women received work.

CARRIE E. BLACKADAR, *Sec.*

March 28th, 1900.

Collected for the Working Society of St. Paul's, 1899, \$69.75.

JANE TREMAINE, *Treasurer.*

Christmas Benefactions.

At Christmas through the kindness and liberality of the Rector, Parishioners and Friends, over one hundred families were supplied with good things to help to cheer the hearts of many at this joyous season, the presents were taken to their homes by friends who volunteered for the work, superintended by Mr. Rennie. The Flower Committee took fruit, pots of growing plants to the sick to brighten their Christmas Day.

JANE TREMAINE, *Sect'y.*

St. Paul's Sunday School.

[Founded by Rev. Dr. Breynton about 1783.]

SUPERINTENDENTS.

Rev. W. J. Armitage, *Rector.* Rev. L. J. Donaldson, *Curate.*
E. A. Rennie, *Lay Evangelist.* J. C. Mahon, *Lay Superintendent.*
W. Simms Lee, *Ass't Lay Supt.*

TREASURER.—Wm. A. Major. SECRETARY.—J. C. Schaefer.
ASSISTANT SEC'Y.—W. T. Jost. LIBRARIAN.—J. E. Jost.

Assistants.

A. Cook, W. Woodaman, W. Share,
W. Kimber, R. L. Berringer, H. Crane,
A. R. Dimock.

ORGANIST.—Miss Grant.

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TEACHERS.—Bible Classes.

Rev. L. J. Donaldson,	Miss Hodgers,
Mr. C. A. Evans,	Miss Fitch,
Mr. E. A. Rennie,	Miss Kellogg.
Miss Tremaine,	

TEACHERS.—Senior Department.

Boys.

Mr. Horace Porter,
 Mr. A. Muir,
 Miss J. V. Share,
 Miss Cummings,
 Miss Brown,
 Mrs. Humphrey,
 Mrs. J. U. Power,
 Mrs. Mahon,
 Mr. W. J. Clayton,
 Miss Lordly,
 Mrs. J. D. Grant,
 Miss A. Hoyt,
 Mr. J. U. Power,
 Mr. Carter,
 Mrs. Abbott,
 Miss Weaver,
 Dr. Weaver,
 Mr. R. T. LePine.

Girls.

Miss Halls,
 Miss Nicholls,
 Miss Williston,
 Miss Woodling,
 Miss Tozer,
 Mr. J. D. Grant,
 Miss Shields,
 Miss Edwards,
 Miss C. Brown,
 Miss Hoyt,
 Miss Grant,
 Miss Dimock,
 Miss Hunt,
 Mrs. Armitage,
 Miss Jessie Mowbray,
 Miss Tozer,
 Miss Stark,
 Miss Mowbray,
 Miss Weaver,
 Miss M. Nichols.
 Miss E. Kellogg,
 Miss Elsie Brown,
 Miss L. Brown,
 Miss A. Jost.

TEACHERS.—Primary Department.

Mrs. Wallace,	Mrs. Schaefer,	Mrs. Davidson,
Mrs. Fenerty,	Miss Jost,	Mr. Stuart Wetmore,
	Mrs. R. T. LePine.	

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SCHOLARS, TEACHERS AND BIBLE CLASSES ENROLLED APRIL 1, 1900.

BIBLE CLASSES.

Rev. L. J. Donaldson, (Church Vestry).....	35
Miss Fitch, (Church Library).....	13
Mr. Evans, (Mission Hall).....	40
Mr. Rennie, ".....	20
Miss Tremaine, (Sunday School).....	33
Miss Hodgers, ".....	25
Miss Kellogg, ".....	22

Senior Scholars.....	299
Primary Class.....	197
Officers.....	11
Teachers.....	57
	— 564
Total.....	752

STATISTICS.

1897—Bible Classes.....	122
1898 “.....	172
1899 “.....	187
1900 “.....	188

Total number enrolled including Bible Classes, Teachers, Officers and Scholars :

1896—556. 1897—631. 1898—738. *1899—752.

*The increase this year dates from Dec. 4th, 1898.

The following list will show the highest attendance for one Sunday in each quarter of the year, and the number enrolled including Teachers, Officers and all connected with St. Paul's on our books.

1790.	
No. on Roll.....	35.
1882.	
Highest Attendance..	249
No. on Roll.....	293
1892.	
Attendance.....	374
No. on Roll.....	426
1895.	
Attendance.....	383
No. on Roll.....	470
1896.	
Attendance.....	420
No. on Roll.....	556
1897.	
Attendance.....	432
No. on Roll.....	631
1898.	
Attendance.....	519
No. on Roll.....	647
1899.	
Attendance.....	521
No. on Roll.....	752

St. Paul's Sunday School was founded about 1783 by the Rev. Dr. Breynton. It followed closely the inauguration of the Sunday School movement at Gloucester by Robert Raikes in 1780. In England the plan proposed was to gather the neglected children of the poor, but chiefly for secular studies religious instruction being given a secondary place. This met with some opposition, but Schools increased

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rapidly and by the end of the century had become common. A great impetus was given to the movement early in the Nineteenth Century by the formation of the National Society, and the British and Foreign School Society. Mr. Mundella, a former Vice-President of the Education Department, declares, "Of all the factors that have tended to raise a law-abiding and God-fearing people there are few that have done more than Sunday Schools."

St. Paul's Sunday School is one of the oldest Sunday Schools in the world and was founded several years before the system found an entrance into the United States.

The annual Sunday School and Congregational Picnic was held in July at the beautiful picnic grounds at Prince's Lodge. It was very largely attended, and all the arrangements so wisely planned that everything seemed to move like clock work. No mishap marred the day's pleasure, and the outing was enjoyed by all, young and old.

The following Scholars received prizes for attending Church every Sunday throughout the year.

Everett Hirtle,	Ned Schaefer,	Lottie Davis,
Willie Shields,	Minnie Umlah,	Eva White,
Lovett Olive,	Jean Povoas,	Oscar Bennett,
Willie Cann,	Mabel Boutilier,	Philip Evans,
Maydie White,	Effie Nauss,	Philip Povoas,
	Harry Sheridan.	

CONTRIBUTIONS BY ST. PAUL'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, MARCH 21ST,
1899 TO MARCH 21ST, 1900.

To St Paul's Alms House.....	\$120 00	
Halifax Protestant Industrial School.....	60 00	
		\$180 00
MISSIONS :		
May 1st, 1899, Labrador Cot.....	\$50 00	
Sept. 13th, 1899, C. C. M. A. Centenary Fund	37 68	
Dec. 1st, 1869, C. C. M. A. :		
China.....	\$20 00	
Japan.....	20 00	
Boy's Home, Blackfoot Reserve, N.W.T.	19 52	
		59 52
March 20th, 1900, C. C. M. A. Fund.....	42 40	
		189 60
Total Contributions.....		\$369 60

Halifax, N. S., April 7th, 1900. W. A. MAJOR, *Treasurer.*

THE JUBILEE MEMORIAL.

It has been felt by many that a printed statement concerning the proposed Jubilee Memorial to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the erection of St. Paul's Church, should be placed in the hands of all the members of St. Paul's congregation.

The Memorial is to take the form of the enlargement and rearrangement of the Parochial (Argyle) Hall, to meet the requirements of the Sunday School, and the needs of our different Church organizations.

The Sunday School has long out-grown the present building, and even if it were large enough, the upper hall is in a bad state of repair, and requires a large expenditure to be made upon it at once.

The Parochial Hall is unsuited in many different particulars for the work of a modern Sunday School. It does not provide sufficient accommodation for our work in which we have engaged 752 scholars, officers and teachers.

The lower hall which is the best part of the building is too small for present requirements and is greatly over-crowded and badly ventilated.

The wit of man could not possibly devise worse arrangements than those which exist at present in the upper hall, used by the Primary Class, three Bible Classes and for library purposes. The primary department, which is perhaps the most important in the school labours under special disadvantages. It meets in a large room through which people are passing constantly, and its publicity makes it impossible to attract and hold the attention of the children, which is the first requisite for successful teaching. The Library is situated in this room and is open at the top, so that every sound made is heard. The librarians must pass before the junior scholars in the performance of their duties, thus drawing their attention from their lessons. The members of two of our largest Bible Classes, over fifty in number, must pass through the primary department on the way to their class rooms. Some of necessity are late and this again disturbs the junior scholars.

The accommodation afforded for our Bible Classes, seven in number with 178 pupils, is unsatisfactory in almost every particular. The rooms, with one or two exceptions, are unsuitable, are separated from the main hall, and have no vital connection with the school. Four classes meet outside of the Parochial Hall, and we need accommodation for at least four classes more.

The modern Sunday School system is being fast placed upon a scientific educational basis. In properly constructed buildings all the different departments of the school, from the Primary Department up through every grade to the highest Bible Class, open into one central hall or room with its platform commanding the whole Sunday School. This emphasises the idea of unity, and permits all the opening and closing religious exercises to be conducted by the clergyman or superintendent for the whole school, and gives an opportunity for all to join in the hymns and prayers and to hear the addresses which are given. The advantage of this method is at once apparant. It needs only to be stated, or to be known to gain acceptance.

A building erected on this plan affords as well suitable halls, rooms, and parlours for the meetings of different Church Societies, which are so necessary for the effective work of the Church.

The appeal is made to every member of the congregation to assist in this important undertaking. The subscription list covers a period of five years, and subscriptions are invited either in a lump sum or by instalments. The sum of \$15,000 is required at the lowest estimate for the work, and it is understood that no debt is to be incurred. The sum of \$9,560.00 has been subscribed. A member of the congregation offers to give an additional \$500.00 if the whole sum is subscribed before the 1st of September, 1900. This makes the subscription list \$10,060.00. The terms of the subscription list require that the whole sum should be subscribed before 1st July, 1900.

25th April, 1900.

Gift Sunday.

“It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

INSTITUTED BY REV. DYSON HAGUE.

Gift Sunday, the Sunday nearest Christmas, is the day when teachers and scholars come in the true Christmas spirit with gifts for others less favoured than themselves.

The scholars come to the Sunday School, bringing their games, toys and books, and after the opening exercises, class by class, heap them up, in perfect order on the tables in the front. This year four good-sized packing cases were needed

for the books, toys, games, Bibles and Prayer Books which were so generously brought in.

The Bishop suggested that a box should be sent to the Rev. Geo. Howcroft at Port Mulgrave. Mr. Howcroft writes :

"The box of Gifts you so kindly sent us has been duly received. It was indeed kind of you to think of us in this way, and I assure you that many a heart will be made glad by the receipt of some of its contents."

A box was sent to the Rev. Percy Soanes at Liscombe. Mr. Soanes writes :

"We should be very glad if you could spare us some of the toys, &c., from the S. S. scholars. The poor children here have hardly seen anything. Mrs. Soanes was speaking of a drum to illustrate something, and she asked them if any had seen one. Not one had ever seen so much as a toy one. It is likely that nine-tenths of the grown up people never saw one. We hope to have Christmas trees in each school and the poor children and parents too are just crazy over them. A real live Santa Claus would be almost incredible to them. As the scholars are so poor, we cannot get much for them this year. It is good they are happy with little."

A box was sent to the Rev. Rural Dean Mellor, of Guysborough, and was much appreciated by the children in his different Sunday Schools.

Another box was sent to the Rev. Klement Richardson at Terence Bay, who used the contents for Sunday School rewards in a mission where such incentives are unknown.

The Scripture Union.

"St. Paul's Church Children's Scripture Union" has been in existence now for a good many years, but was re-organized and greatly enlarged under the earnest efforts of Captain Guyse, of the King's Regiment, in 1893. It has for its object the regular reading of the Bible. A calendar and almanac are given to each member with a list of passages to be read and a text to be learnt every day. There are now only 148 members in our Branch which is a much

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smaller number than last year. A magazine called "Our Own Magazine," and also one called "Our Boys'," are helpful little papers in connection with the Union and are taken by a number of the children.

The Scripture Union is a branch of The Children's Special Service Mission and was organized on 1st April, 1879. The cards of membership are now printed in thirty different languages. There are about 4,500 branches of the Union in Great Britain and more than 1,200 in foreign countries and over 600,000 membership cards were issued in 1899 to branches of the Union all over the world.

MARJORIE PAYZANT, *Secretary.*

Report of Sewing Class 1899-1900.

The Children's Sewing Class has been held in the Primary class room of the Parochial Hall every Wednesday at 4 o'clock, beginning on November 8th with the exception of three weeks at Christmas.

During the season there have been sixty-three names on the roll. The greater number of the children attend regularly and work well, others get tired and stay away.

Our Visitors (we would like to see more) are surprised at the good work done by the little ones

Our working will close on the 18th of April and the following week we will have our pleasant evening and tea provided by the teachers and friends.

All the garments made are given away. We received donations of Flannelette from Mrs. R. Uniacke, Miss Hodggers and the Working Society. \$11.52 was spent for materials. Meetings held 19. No. on Roll 63. Garments made 99.

TEACHERS.

Mrs. Armitage, *Hon. Pres.*,
 Mrs. W. V. Murray, *Pres.*,
 Mrs. J. C. Schaefer, *V. Pres.*,
 Mrs. J. N. Shaffer,
 Mrs. N. Scott,
 Mrs. A. Fenerty,
 Mrs. W. H. Cabot,

Mrs. Hubley,
 Mrs. T. Robinson,
 Mrs. F. Schaefer,
 Mrs. R. T. LePine,
 Miss Wright,
 Miss J. Share.

S. G. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

Young Peoples' Society.

President.—W. J. Armitage, *ex-officio*.

Vice-Presidents.—Rev. L. J. Donaldson. *2nd.*—Dr. Weaver.

Secretary.—Miss Jane Hodggers, (Acting).

Treasurer.—Miss Dimock. *Assistant.*—Miss Symons.

Executive Committee.—Miss J. Share, Miss Mowbray, Miss Miller, Miss Stark, Miss Woodling, Mr. G. Zwicker, Mr. A. Muir, Mr. C. Harris, Ms. F. Elliot, Mr. F. Schaefer.

Literary Committee.—Miss Fitch, *Convener*, Miss M. Nichols, Miss Ida Creighton, Miss Bowden, Miss G. Share, Mr. W. B. Kellogg, Rev. G. B. Pyke, Mr. H. E. Mahon, Rev. L. J. Donaldson.

Poor House Committee.—Miss J. Share, *Convener*, Mrs. Arthur Boutillier, Mrs. Alfred Nichols, Mrs. Verner, Mrs. Fenerty, Miss M. Nichols, Miss L. Brown, Miss L. Bennet, Miss M. S. Weaver, Miss Cumming, Miss Mowbray, Miss Addie Jost, Miss S. Pickford.

Look-out and Welcome Committee.—Miss Woodling, *Convener*, Mrs. Wallace, Miss M. Nichols, Miss Kellogg, Miss J. Share, Miss M. Barnaby, Miss Hodggers, Miss M. Pyke, Miss E. Halls, Mr. V. Josey, Mr. Gordon Thompson, Mr. Jack Shields, Mr. Percy Harris, Mr. W. J. Clayton, Mr. J. U. Power, Mr. Simms Lee, Rev. L. J. Donaldson, Mr. F. Sturmy, Mr. A. Nichols, Mr. E. Quirk.

Musical Committee.—Mr. E. E. Leigh, *Convener*, Miss Harrington, Miss N. Hunt, Miss C. Mahon, Miss Florry G. Symons, Miss Shute, Mr. W. R. Shute, Mr. G. Zwicker, Mr. S. Banfield.

Flower Committee.—Miss Share, *Convener*, Mrs. Humphry, Mrs. Power, Miss Halls, Miss Stark, Miss Hoyt, Miss Pickford, Miss Rent, Miss Edwards, Miss Fordham, Miss Halls, Miss S. Weaver, Miss Mahon.

The meetings of the Young People's Society have been held fortnightly this season. The attendance at the public meetings, socials, and receptions was excellent, but we have to deplore the want of interest in the private meetings at which the Prayer Book studies were taken up. It is the old complaint that while our members are willing to be entertained, they are often most unwilling to study together subjects free from exciting influences, and requiring attention and thought.

The opening Congregational Social was well attended.

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It took the form of a farewell reception to the Rev. Leo Williams and Mrs. Williams who were leaving that week for their new parish at Charlottetown.

The young people of the Church presented Mr. Williams with a handsome quartered oak library desk, and Miss Kellogg's Young Men's Bible Class presented him with a pocket communion service. An address to Mr. Williams was read by Mr. W. B. Kellogg.

Professor MacMechan, Ph. D., of Dalhousie University, gave a most valuable lecture in November on Kipling's Poems, and read a number of interesting selections.

The Christmas concert was a marked success. There was a good attendance, and an excellent programme, which was well rendered.

The great feature of the year was the reception given to the members of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, under Major Williams, forming a part of the Second Canadian Contingent. A splendid programme was provided, a number of songs and recitations were given by members of the Contingent. The Hon. A. G. Jones, formerly Minister of Militia in the Dominion Cabinet, gave an admirable patriotic address. Refreshments were served during the evening.

The Shakespeare evening furnished an intellectual treat and the papers by Miss Emily Weaver, on a visit to Stratford-on-Avon, is worthy of special mention.

The Society deserves the warm interest of all our young people, and ought to be made a centre of spiritual, intellectual and social influence in the parish and city.

J. B. HODGERS, *Acting Secretary.*

PROGRAMME 1899-1900.

1899.

- Nov. 14. Social, Farewell Reception to Rev. Leo Williams.
 24. Lecture, Prof. MacMechan, Ph. D., Kipling's Poems.
 Dec. 8. Studies on Prayer Book.
 15. Christmas in ye Olden Time.

1900.

- Jan. 12. Prayer Book Study.
 26. Reception to Second Canadian Contingent.
 Feb. 9. Concert, Programme by Second Canadian Contingent

- Feb. 23. Prayer Book Study.
 March 9. The Early History of the British Church.
 23. Evening with Shakespeare.
 April 6. Prayer Book Study.
 20. Lecture, The Rev. Dr. Black, Emerson and Carlyle.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The amount received by the Young People's Society during the year was \$58.18, with an expenditure of \$40.61.

M. B. DIMOCK, *Treasurer.*

The Flower Committee.

The Flower Committee is composed of the following ladies :

Mrs. Humphrey,	Miss Rent,
Mrs. Power,	Miss Edwards,
Miss Halls,	Miss Fordham,
Miss Stark,	Miss Halls,
Miss Hoyt,	Miss S. Weaver,
Miss Pickford,	Miss Mahon,
Miss Share, (<i>Convener.</i>)	

The work of this Committee is to carry flowers to the sick of the congregation. At Christmas and Easter a pot of flowers was taken to all the sick. The thanks of the Committee are due to Mr. T. Robinson for the use of a cab in distributing Christmas flowers.

GRACE SHARE, *Convener.*

St. Paul's Boys' Society.

<i>President.</i> —Oscar Bennett.	<i>Secretary.</i> —C. J. Paul.
<i>Vice-President.</i> —T. Nott.	<i>Asst. Sec'y.</i> —Fred Smith.
<i>Treasurer.</i> —L. A. Shields.	

Advisory Committee.—Miss Share, Miss Janie Share, Miss Weaver, Rev. L. J. Donaldson, W. J. Clayton, W. B. Kellogg.

Librarian.—Miss Share.

This Society opened for the season on Nov. 16th, 1899. President Hirtle in the chair. The Society is for boys from 14 to 21. We meet every week at St. Paul's Hall; have quite a variety of amusements, consisting of lectures, debates, concerts, &c. The year 1900 was not so progressive as 1899. We think it is on account of not having a gymnasium class, but we hope to have one by next year. The friends of the Society who kindly contributed to the amusement of the boys' were Rev. F. Wilkinson, Mr. Miller, Mr. Kellogg, Dr. Weaver, Dr. Almon and Mr. Rennie. The ladies have furnished the boys with refreshments, also the the Misses Share and Miss Weaver, deserve the especial thanks of the society for their valuable assistance. We had some very fine debates this year on the leading subjects of the day. The year closed with a special programme and refreshments kindly served by the ladies of the Committee.

CLIFFORD J. PAUL, *Secretary.*

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Director,—W. J. Clayton. *Vice Director*,—W. B. Kellogg.

The work of the Chapter has been carried along without interruption during the past year, the hotels have been visited weekly and invitations to the services left addressed to the guests.

Every Sunday morning two members of the Chapter have gone along the water front, from city wharf south, visiting all the vessels where invitations were given to attend services, and suitable reading matter left for those on board. Six hundred and fifty vessels have been visited during the year. In connection with this hymnals and prayer books are supplied in the galleries of the church to all who are unprovided with them, by members of Miss Kellogg's Bible class. This work will in future be done by the Junior branch of the brotherhood which has recently been formed.

The members of the Chapter have been much encouraged by seeing so many sea-faring men and strangers

attending the church, which is due at least to some extent to the efforts of the brotherhood.

A number of young men, some of them strangers to the city, have been visited and an effort made to welcome them and induce them to become identified with the work of the church.

Services are held by the brotherhood of St. Andrew at the Jail and Rock Head, and also at the Poor's Farm, Cole Harbor, at which St. Paul's Chapter assists.

In connection with the local assembly of the brotherhood, an appeal was made for literature for the use of the men going to South Africa on the Second Contingent and Strathcona's Horse; this appeal met with a very hearty response, and we were enabled to supply each troop ship with a large quantity of reading matter, including hymnals and prayer-books for use on the voyage, which we believe was appreciated by the men.

Since the Provisional Regiment has been stationed here large numbers of the men have attended our evening services, many of whom have handed in their names to the brotherhood, many of whom have been visited at the Wellington Barracks.

The meetings of the chapter are held on the first and third Wednesday's of each month, at eight forty-five (8.45) in the library vestry of the church, to which men are cordially welcomed. The meetings are conducted as follows: Brief religious exercises and business. During the past year the rector has kindly given us a series of very instructive and interesting lectures on the history of the prayer-book, on alternate nights, we have papers on various subjects by the members, and for a bible study we have taken up St. Paul's Missionary journeys.

A. E. SKINNER, *Sec.-Treasurer.*

Girl's Missionary Guild.

President.—Mrs. Verner, *Secretary.*—Miss Pyke,
Vice-President.—Miss Halls, *Treasurer.*—Miss A. Mahon,
Committee.—Mrs. Verner, Miss Jost, Miss Hunt, Miss Dimock,

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The Guild meets every Monday afternoon. The larger girls sew and the little ones make scrap-books. A large box was sent at Christmas to Rev. T. C. Mellor at Guysboro and another is to be sent after Easter to Indian Harbor Hospital. The two boxes were valued at about \$50.

St. Paul's Mite Society.

President.—Rev. W. J. Armitage.

Secretary-Treasurer.—Miss Tremaine.

Collectors.—Mrs. T. Ritchie, Mrs. A. Allison, Mrs. Northup, Mrs. Theakston, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Symons, Mrs. W. Humphrey, Miss H. Rhind, Miss Tremaine, Miss Hoyt.

The work of the Mite Society is prospering under the care of Rev. D. Edwards, the report from month to month is encouraging as the people take more interest and attend the services. We hope there is a steady spiritual growth going on among the people, the debt on the Church at Indian Harbour has been paid, the Committee granted \$50.00 for furniture for the Church, also a grant of \$50.00 for additional furniture for the Mission House in Country Harbour. I am sorry to say the amount collected this year falls short over \$50.00 of that collected in former years, from Easter, 1899, to Easter, 1900, \$493.82.

Gleaner's Union.

FOUNDED BY EUGENE STOCK.

President.—Rev. W. J. Armitage.

Vice-President.—Capt. Thorp, R. A.

Secretary-Treasurer.—Mrs. Thorp.

The St. Paul's branch now numbers 48 members. It holds, on the second Monday of each month a meeting for prayer, Bible study and gleaning missionary knowledge.

The average attendance at these meetings has been about fifteen. \$35.90 have been sent up this year to the Central Secretary at Toronto, of this \$22.40 were for the support of the Gleaners Own Missionary. In addition to this \$25.00 were collected and forwarded to the Church of England Deaconess and Missionary Training House, Toronto, towards the expenses of a Deaconess in training for missionary work. The sum of \$10.95 was also collected by the Secretary and forwarded to Miss Cooper, Missionary Box, Secretary, C. C. M. A., Toronto. The total contributions were \$71.85.

PROGRAMME OF MISSIONARY STUDY.

General Subject :—THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH AND MISSIONS.

1899.

Dec. "The Men who were called."—Dr. Weaver.

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Jan. "The Manner of their call."—Capt. Thorp, R. A.

Feb. "The Spirit in which they worked."—Miss Kellogg.

Mar. "Paul a Typical Missionary."—Mrs. Weaver.

April. "The Methods of the Church when entering new territory."
—Miss J. Hodgers.

May. "The Methods of the Church in organizing new Churches."
—Miss Share.

June. "The Methods of the Church in the development of Local
Workers."—Mrs. Wallace.

July. "The Success of the Church."—Mr. J. J. Hunt.

Aug. "The Prayer Life of the early Church."—Miss Hunt.

Sept. "The Power of the Church."—Miss Lordly.

ANNA THORP, *Sec'y St. Paul's G. U.*

April 9th, 1900.

St. Paul's Alms House of Industry.

President.—Rev. W. J. Armitage, Rector.

Secretary.—Rev. L. J. Donaldson, M. A.

Treasurer.—C. C. Blackadar.

Another year of prosperity has attended this deserving institution. Its work has been quietly but none the less effectively carried on during the year by the following committee elected at the annual meeting on June 27th, 1899.

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Treasurer.—Mr. C. C. Blackadar.

Secretary.—Rev. L. T. Williams.

Hon. Mr. Justice Ritchie, Messrs. Robie Uniacke, R. J. Wilson, C. C. Blackadar, W. J. Clayton and Col. Mowbray.

Mrs. Armitage, Mrs. C. C. Blackadar, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. G. A. Pyke, Mrs. A. Mackinlay, Mrs. Duffus, Mrs. Shortt, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. LePine, Mrs. J. N. Ritchie, Mrs. T. Ritchie and Miss Tremaine.

The Rev. L. T. Williams having removed from the parish to take up work as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Charlottetown, the new Curate, Rev. L. J. Donaldson, was appointed Secretary in his place.

The financial condition of the Institution is in a healthy state. After extensive repairs and improvements effected during the early part of the year there was a balance on hand at the annual meeting. This year we record with thanks the receipt of bequest of \$200 from estate of Mrs. Susan Weldon. But the expenses of the Institution are increasing from the greater number of girls in the Home so that we must look for larger support from friends and well-wishes of the Institution if it is to maintain its present high standard of efficiency and usefulness.

There were five additional girls received into the Home during the year making the present number twenty. There are several more we know of now who desire admittance and invite our help. There is great room for increased usefulness if we had the means to undertake it.

Our sincerest thanks are due to Mr. C. C. Blackadar for his untiring zeal and valued assistance in all that pertains to the welfare of the Institution. We also record with pleasure the thanks of the committee conveyed to Dr. Gow for gratuitous professional services.

Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Davidson continue to give good satisfaction as matron and teacher. The children seem bright and comfortable and are making good progress in the various lines of instruction.

Interested visitors are cordially invited to visit the Home. On Christmas Day through the kindness of gener-

ous friends the children enjoyed a pleasant time. It was a pleasure to drop in for a few moments to see their bright and happy faces and to hear them sing.

The ladies of the Committee deserve special mention for their faithful performance of duty.

May God continue to bless the Home and use it more and more for the preservation of the lambs of His flock.

L. J. DONALDSON, *Secretary.*

St. Paul's Parish Magazine.

The Managers of the Magazine rejoice in the fact that the old debt has been paid and the Magazine is now on a firm financial basis. This is largely due to the work of Mr. C. A. Evans in obtaining advertisements for the paper. The subscription list has also slightly increased. We hope in another year to be able to reduce the subscription price and that every family in the parish will become a subscriber. There is much useful and interesting reading matter in its columns and it forms an excellent medium for disseminating information throughout the parish. Its usefulness in this respect, however, is of course proportionate to its circulation. The parish register and notes published every month form a very useful record to have on hand for reference.

Especial reference must be made of the valuable services of Miss Tremaine and Miss Share in connection with the work of management.

The following Committee attend to the distribution of the paper and other work in connection with it.

Miss Tremaine,	Miss A. Mahon,
Miss Halls,	Miss Jubien,
Miss Hodgers,	Miss Rent,
Miss Symonds,	Miss Pyke,
Miss Share,	Miss Bennett,

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L. J. DONALDSON, *Business Manager.*

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The Choir.

The special feature of the work of the Choir this year has been the rendition of patriotic music in connection with the various church parades, especially those of the Second Canadian Contingent. Kipling's "Recessional" by DeKoven was given, besides the words and music of several anthems which have not been published in this country, notably, "O King of Love, O God of Peace," by Dr. Dykes, the solo parts of which Miss Lithgow effectively interpreted. The musical service on the occasion of the Third Golden Jubilee was attractively rendered, Leigh's *Te Deum* deserves especial notice and received much favourable comment at the time. St. Paul's is to be congratulated on having such a talented musical composer as organist and choir master.

The Christmas music was much enjoyed. The anthem "Shout the Glad Tidings," by Hawley was particularly appropriate. The solo parts were well taken by several members of the choir. The Christmas carols were also much enjoyed. The music on Easter Day was perhaps the most hearty and effective of all. Many expressed the opinion that they had never heard better music in St. Paul's before. There was a very full attendance of the choir at both morning and evening services. The selections were all well chosen and most appropriate for the occasion and were all so heartily and effectively rendered that to particularize would necessitate a full description.

Strangers coming to the city often express the opinion that they consider it a privilege to be allowed to join in the worship of St. Paul's Church. The Choir constitutes no small part towards this happy state of affairs, and the faithful attendance of the members at both the practices and the public services should be most deeply appreciated by the members of the congregation.

Mr. E. E. Leigh continues to perform the duties of organist and choir master with ability and success. We regret the loss of several members from the choir through removals, etc., but gladly welcome other new ones. The following are the members of the Choir at the present :

Sopranos.—Mrs. J. Curren, Mrs. F. Bowes, Mrs. Geo. K. Thomson, Mrs. Cabot, the Misses L. Bowden, L. Bennett, Davidson, L. Mitchell, Osborne, Quirk, Share, Mahon, Tozer, Trider, Symonds, B. Taylor, Collins, Nichols, Nicolle, Lovett, Pickford, Shaffer, E. Shaffer, Hamilton, McInnes, M. Taylor, Wilson, Stark and Bennett.

Altos.—Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Bezanson, the Misses Lithgow, Shute, J. Shute, Rudd, Pickford, Silver and Stark.

Tenors.—Messrs. F. Bennett, B. Bennett, Drake, S. Porter, Dr. Thomson, Wm. C. Uniacke, Green, Robinson, A. Robinson and Dr. Smith.

Bass.—Messrs. Redden, A. deB. Tremaine, Littler, Lawlor, Harrison, Forhan, Jost, Priest, Zwicker, Rouse, Crawford, Banfield and Treléven.

Boys.—Masters Bennett, LePine, Morrison, Bianculli, W. Shields, Curren, E. Schaefer, T. Schaefer, Boutilier, Bezanson, W. Hanson and A. Whittemore.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Total amount contributed by St. Paul's Church, Easter
1899 to Easter 1900.

For Current Expenses by Envelope and Plate....		\$7488 15
Widows' and Orphans'.....	\$ 143 28	
Offertory for Poor	376 31	
“ for Jews	94 93	
Superannuation Fund.....	72 24	
Deaconesses Institution.....	25 00	
Christmas Collection—(for distribution)....	106 24	
Christmas and Easter Decoration	94 37	
Sunday School for Expenses.....	\$ 72 66	
“ Picnic.....	165 72	
	238 38	
Davidson Fund.....	284 00	
Winfield “	125 89	
Nevis Hurricane Fund	59 06	
Canadian Patriotic Fund	131 17	
India Famine Fund.....	135 00	
Deaf and Dumb Mission.....	25 00	
Tor Bay Mission, (C. & C. C. S.)	162 50	
St. Paul's Parochial Mission.....	\$677 42	
“ Shelter.....	8 15	
Brotherhood of St. Andrew.....	7 00	
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General	\$ 80 26	
Rupert's Land.....	287 81	
Algoma	2 00	
Calgary.....	5 00	
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Foreign Missions :		
C. C. M. A.....	271 29	
A Member of St. Paul's for Japan	200 00	
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Home Missions (Diocesan) :		
C. & C. Church Society.....	\$579 30	
Board of Home Missions.....	57 71	
Mite Society for Miss. purposes.	493 82	
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Contributed by St. Paul's Sunday School :		
St. Paul's Alms House for Girls.	\$ 120 00	
Halifax Protest. Industrial School	60 00	
Labrador Cot.....	50 00	
C. C. M. A., Centenary Fund...	37 68	
“ China	20 00	
“ Japan	20 00	
“ Boys' Home, Black-		
foot Reserve....	19 52	
“ Mackenzie River..	42 40	
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King's College.....		10 60
St. Paul's Working Society		69 75
Wycliffe College, Sabrevois Mission, &c.		500 00
Trinity Church.....		208 00
St. Matthias Church.....		104 00
Young Peoples Society.....		58 18
B. & F. Bible Society.....		71 00
St. Paul's Alms House		203 00
Gleaner's Union		25 00
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Estimates General Account, 1899-1900.

EXPENDITURE.

TO SALARIES :		
Rector		\$2500 00
Curate, Mr. Williams 9 mos. at \$1000.		\$750 00
Mr. Donaldson 3 mos. at \$800.		200 00
	950 00	
Organist		700 00
Sexton		400 00
Vestry Clerk		30 00
Bellows Blower		40 00
Bell Ringer		24 00
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CHOIR—Choir Secretary, \$50 ; Choir Boys \$41.25.		91 25
FUEL—Coal, \$120.65 ; Wood, \$24.10	\$	144 75
LIGHT—Gas, \$157.88 ; Electric Light, \$13.13		171 01
Auer Light Fixtures	\$86 95	
Electric Light Fixtures		9 15
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PRINTING & STATIONERY—A. & W. MacKinlay..	\$	32 05
Holloway Bros., \$133.50 ; Recorder, 50c....		134 00
		166 05
INSURANCE—Church	\$33,000	
Organ	4,000	
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	\$37,000	211 00
Memorial Window, \$1,000 (Prem. paid by Mr. Ritchie)		
INTEREST—On Church Debt		283 71
BISHOP'S ASSESSMENT—2 years....	\$	410 00
SYNOD " 1 year		69 75
		479 75
ST. PAUL'S CEMETERY—Labor removing Trees, Grass, Snow, &c.		32 90
W. R. CHUTE—Repairing Organ 1 year.....		40 00
REPAIRS—M. Marr, for building Porch & Sundries	\$	255 55
N. S. Furnishing Co., for Carpet, &c.		64 93
Horton for Glass, \$12.00 ; Morash, \$1.68....		13 68
Geo. Rent, Furnaces		32 15
		366 31
INCIDENTAL EXPENSES—Water, 2 years	\$	124 00
Surplices, \$12 ; Washing, \$19.27.....		31 27
Collection Plates for Galleries.....		6 00
Concrete Sidewalk		171 20
Sundry Items		91 34

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" Church Decorations	14 85	
Brotherhood of St. Andrews, printing.	7 00	
St. Paul's Shelter.....	8 15	
		63 87
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PAROCHIAL HALL—Fuel, 62.85 ; Light, \$88.62..	\$ 151 47	
Water, \$29.74 ; Taxes, \$16.86	46 60	
Insurance, \$5,000 at ½ %.....	25 00	
Geo. Rent, Stoves, &c	42 98	
Interest on Mortgage, \$225 ; on loan, \$12.50.	237 50	
Sundry Items	6 71	
		\$ 510 26
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ST. PAUL'S MISSION HALL—Gas, \$18.00 ; Auer		
Light Fixtures, \$6.00	\$ 24 00	
Insurance, \$3000 at \$1.20 \$36.00 ; Sewerage,		
\$42.02	78 02	
Fuel, \$23.00 ; E. Davidson, plumbing, \$2 60.	25 60	
Marr, Repairs, \$8 00 ; Horton, Glass, \$2.75.	10 75	
Repairing Organ, &c., \$9.00 ; Janitor, \$48.00	57 00	
		\$ 195 37
Less Rents received.....	20 00	
		175 37

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GLEBE DEBT—Paid Loan	\$ 500 00	
Less at Cr. of Sinking Fund	413 06	
		86 94

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SUNDAY SCHOOL PROPERTY—Paid for Property..	\$2500 00	
Disct. on Loan, \$42.15 ; Insurance, \$15.00..	57 15	
Propn. of Taxes, Conveyancing, &c.....	24 57	
		\$2581 72
Deduct amt. borrowed from Bank..	\$2500 00	
Rents received	34 00	
		2534 00

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DEAF AND DUMB MISSION—Paid amount on hand		
last year.....		47 72
		45 00
PARISH DEBT — (Sinking Fund), Deposited in		
Union Bank D. R. No. 7687		400 00

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BALANCE.....		\$8364 80
		42 91
		\$8407 71

RECEIPTS.

By Balance per last years account.....		\$ 24 58
Envelopes	\$5288 51	
Loose Cash on Plates	\$1823 50	
Easter Collection to meet deficit	376 14	
	<u>2199 64</u>	
		7488 15
GLEBE INCOME (Gross)	\$1154 09	
Deduct Taxes for 1899	\$ 307 49	
Water, 2 years	33 60	
Sundry Repairs	27 97	
Glebe Secretary	100 00	
	<u>469 06</u>	
		685 03
RECTORY FUND :		
Received Interest on D. R., &c.....	\$ 102 78	
" Propn. of Net Rent Annandale		
St. House.....	71 40	
	<u>174 18</u>	
ST. PAUL'S PAROCHIAL MISSION :		
Received Subscriptions.....	\$ 677 42	
Less paid Messrs. Winfield and Rennie...	666 65	
	<u>10 77</u>	
DEAF AND DUMB MISSION :		
Received per Rector (not yet paid over)..		25 00
		<u>\$8407 71</u>
1900.		
March 24. By Balance in Union Bank.....		\$ 42 91

Wardens Estimates for 1900--1901.

EXPENDITURE.

Rector	\$2500 00
Curate	800 00
Organist and Choir Master	700 00
Sexton	420 00
Vestry Clergy, \$30; Bellows Blower, \$48; Bell	
Ringer, \$24.....	102 00
	<u>\$4522 00</u>
Choir Expenses	100 00
Bishop's Assessment.....	\$ 205 00
Synod "	69 75
	<u>274 75</u>
Fuel and Light.....	400 00

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NOTE.—Church Debts at Easter, 1896.....	\$8470	30
" " 1897.....	7941	75
" " 1898.....	7005	97
" " 1899.....	6421	49
" " 1900.....	5542	86

ADDITIONAL LIABILITIES.

Mortgage on Parochial Hall	\$4500	00
Temporary loan to pay for new Sunday School Property..	2500	00
	<u>7000</u>	<u>00</u>

THOS. MOWBRAY, }
W. J. CLAYTON. } *Church Wardens.*

Examined and found correct,
6th April, 1900.

W. SIMMS LEE, }
W. C. HARVEY. } *Auditors.*

Abstract of Glebe Accounts to 20th March, 1900.

PRINCIPAL.

Mortgages	\$11600	00	@ 5 %	\$580	00
	2000	00	@ 5½ %	110	00
	2384	00	@ 6 %	143	04
		<u>\$15984</u>		<u>producing</u>	<u>\$833</u>
Deposit Receipt....	\$4810	44	@ 3½ %	\$168	36
		<u>\$4810</u>		<u>producing</u>	<u>\$168</u>
A Balance	\$ 100	00	@ 6 %	\$ 6	00
		<u>\$ 100</u>		<u>producing</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>
Fairview Cem. Stock.	\$1425	00	@ —		
		<u>\$1425</u>			
Cash Investments ...	\$22319	45		<u>producing</u>	<u>\$1007</u>
Properties rented.....					<u>408</u>
				<u>Gross Income.....</u>	<u>\$1415</u>
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INCOME FOR PAST YEAR.

RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR :

Interest on Mortgages.....	\$ 695 22
“ Deposits.....	189 37
“ Balances and Loans.....	30 50
Rents.....	239 00
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	\$1154 09

EXPENDED :

Taxes.....	\$ 307 49
Water Rates.....	33 60
Repairs and cleaning.....	27 97
Secretary.....	100 00
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	\$ 469 06
Balance, net Income	685 03
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R. J. WILSON, Glebe Secretary.

We have examined the above Statement with the Books and Vouchers produced to us and find it correct. We have also had produced for our inspection all the securities relating to the Investments mentioned in the above account.

W. SIMMS LEE, } *Auditors.*
W. C. HARVEY. }

28th March, 1900.

Memo. of Trust Funds and Debts.

HARVEY FUND :

Invested in Annandale St. Property.....\$1460 00

RECTORY FUND :

Invested in Annandale St. Property.....	\$2340 00
Mortgage on House, Spring Garden Road.....	500 00
Deposit Receipt, No. 7668, in Union Bank.....	2366 75
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	\$5206 75

MUSHER FUND :

Deposit Receipt, No. 7667, in Union Bank.....	\$6000 00
Loan to Church	2000 00

CHURCH DEBT :

To C. A. Creighton, Trustee, 5%	\$2000 00
A. Mackinlay, Trustee, 5%	1950 00
Musher Fund 6%	2000 00
	\$5950 00

DEDUCT :

Deposit Receipt, No. 7687, Union Bank as a Sinking Fund	\$ 400 00
	\$5550 00

PAROCHIAL HALL DEBT :

To Glebe Fund	\$4500 00
Temporary Loan from Union Bank to pay for Property for new Sunday School	2500 00

THOS. MOWBRAY, }
W. J. CLAYTON. } *Wardens.*

Halifax, 24th March, 1900.

ST. MATTHIAS' CHURCH.

(Cor. Windsor St. and Compton Avenue.)

OFFICERS FOR 1900-1901.

Curate-in-Charge.—Rev. R. A. Hiltz, B. A.

Wardens.—G. Edmonds and F. Traise.

Secretary.—C. Lovett. *Treasurer.*—J. H. Balcom.

Vestry Clerk.—Frank Power.

Executive Committee.—F. Keating, Capt. Dauphinee, N. Hubley, H. Garrison, J. P. Massey, J. C. Crocker, J. H. Balcom, Frank Power and A. Garrison.

Synod Representatives.—Frank Power and George Stephens.

ANNUAL REPORT, EASTER, 1900.

The Rev. R. A. Hiltz, B. A., presents an abstract of his annual report as Curate-in-Charge :

Since entering upon my work in May last, services have been conducted regularly and have been for the most part well attended. I am glad to be able to report a slight increase in the average attendance at the evening services

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on Sundays, while the attendance at the Lord's Table has also been of late better and more regular. The Wednesday evening services have shown an increase—while our Lenten services have been largely attended.

On Sunday, April 8th, his Lordship the Bishop held Confirmation, when 16 candidates were presented to receive the apostolic rite.

Since last Easter there have been considerable changes amongst our parishioners. Several familiar faces are missing—some having removed to other parishes, and others having been taken to their last resting place. Eleven families have been called upon to mourn the loss of dear ones, while no less than 12 families and individuals have removed to other parishes.

But although our losses have thus been rather heavy we have had a large number to fill the gaps. 35 new families and individuals have attached themselves to this congregation, and while we are sorry to lose those who have gone, we extend to the new comers a hearty welcome.

The various branches of Church work carried on during the past year have been meeting with success. Perhaps one of the most encouraging features of the work has been the Sunday School. Not only has the number on our roll increased but the average attendance has been unusually high. We have at present enrolled 158 scholars, with 17 teachers and officers. The average attendance for the year was 109.

During seven months of the year, October to April, a series of monthly meetings were arranged for the discussion of Sunday School work and for prayer. Interesting papers and addresses were given by several ladies and gentlemen which were highly appreciated.

The Gleaners Union, Sowers Band, Mite Society, Scripture Union, St. Andrew's Brotherhood, have all been working in their various spheres with much success.

Two new organizations have been formed during the year, viz.: *Sewing Circle* which meets every Thursday afternoon, and *District Visitors*, whose work amongst the sick and poor has been highly appreciated. Though the number

of visitors is small, they have made since their organization in October last over 200 visits. The Treasurers Report is more satisfactory, showing a balance on hand of \$38.

The following is a brief summary of the parochial work

No of Services.....	173
No. of Visits.....	963
No. of Baptisms.....	13
No. of Burials.....	14

R. A. HILTZ, *Curate in Charge.*

Diocesan Mission.

Report of the Rev. D. Edwards, St. Paul's Church Missionary, Country Harbour, N. S.

Churches—PARISH OF TRINITY, COUNTRY HARBOUR; ST. PAUL'S, BECKERTON; ST. THOMAS', INDIAN HARBOUR.

Stations—WINE HARBOUR, STORMONT, PLEASANT VALLEY.

The Rev. D. Edwards reports as follows:—In submitting a report of the work accomplished in this parish during the past year, I do so, with much thankfulness to our Heavenly Father, in giving me the requisite health and strength for all my ministerial appointments. Notwithstanding the depression in the mining industry and the hard times through which many of the people have been passing the attendance in all the churches has been exceedingly good.

Special mission services were held during Lent in the different parts of the parish. It was indeed most encouraging to see 15 persons stand up as a sign of their profession that they desired to become real followers of Christ Jesus.

To Him be all the glory and praise. The list of Communicants has increased during the past year.

Visiting has been greatly hindered by incessant storms and the rough flooded state of the roads. However, I have given as much time as possible to this work. The people of Indian Harbour, the major part of whom are extremely poor, have succeeded in stamping out the debt on their little

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church during the year. This I may say is most gratifying. During the coming year they propose to paint the exterior of the church and to do other necessary repairs.

The people of Wine Harbor, the major part of whom are Presbyterians, have added a neat little organ to the Union Church of that place. This has proved not only attractive, but decidedly helpful in singing and tends to brighten the services.

Another cause of thankfulness is that the parish of Beckerton has been also successful in overcoming a debt of \$50 on their Church.

The people of Country Harbour, I regret to say, have not done anything in the way of renovating the Parish Church. However, I trust that as the Gold Mines, which have been closed since October last, are about to recommence operations, that something definite will be done to the Church this coming year.

I am indeed very grateful to the members of the Mite Society for their Christian generosity to the Church and to Mrs. Edwards and myself.

Personally I am thankful to the Mite Society, for the yearly grant, without which, as I have said before, the people would have to pass the year without the ministrations of the Church.

Your yearly grant is a great boon. It enables us to hold our own and gives us the blessed opportunity of looking after the spiritual and eternal welfare of our people.

The following is a summary of the work of the year :

Baptisms	21
Marriages	2
Burials.....	7
Services—Sunday, 35 ; Week Days, 76.....	211
Holy Communion—In Church, 12 ; Private, 7.....	19
Visits	650
Miles Travelled	3028½

In conclusion I may say that during the year I was laid aside for more than 7 weeks. This of course interfered with my work.

However, while I am mindful of that fact, that much has been left undone, yet I thank God for what has been done.

D. EDWARDS.

Christmas Letter Mission.

The Christmas Letter Mission as its name implies uses the sacred season associated with our Lord's Nativity in a mission of love and good-will and a Christmas message of good cheer, to the sad, the lonely, and the depressed.

The following outline of the work is furnished for the information of our readers in the hope that it may enlist some as distributors of its highly illustrated Letters and Text-cards. In every place openings are to be found for such seed-sowing. Letters suitable for distribution among all classes—rich and poor, sick and well, young and old, policemen, postmen, servants, etc.,—are ready to hand, bright with illustrations, and conveying, with cheery good wishes, the Gospel message of life and peace in happy anecdotal form.

Embossed Letters for the blind complete the catalogue; while varied Christmas and New Year's cards and envelopes are included in the list.

The mission has a special field in hospitals and kindred institutions.

Miss Kellogg and Miss Emma Kellogg have carried on this work with untiring zeal for several years.

Mission to Deaf Mutes.

The Mission owes its origin to the provision made by a member of St. Paul's congregation of the funds necessary to provide for the expenses of a special missionary. The Rector invited the Rev. S. Stanley Searing of Boston, Mass., to conduct the services. Mr. Searing has long been connected with the mission to Deaf Mutes carried on by the Protestant Episcopal Church. His accomplished wife was at one time a pupil in the Halifax Deaf and Dumb Institution.

The mission had the sanction of the Bishop, and was held in the month of September. There are about 50 deaf mutes in Halifax, and over 30 attended the services. A special Communion Service was held in connection with

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There were three deaf mutes confirmed as a result of the mission.

The necessary funds have been provided for a mission during the year 1900.

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List of Documents and Property not in the immediate custody of the Vestry Clerk, but examined and checked by him this day.

WOODEN CHEST IN THE NORTH EASTERN VESTIBULE of the Church containing :—

Six Minute Books, viz. :—

Oct. 10, 1759 to Aug. 16, 1784	say 25 years.
Sept. 29, 1784 to Sept. 7, 1801	" 17 "
	Missing for many years, 22½ "
Mar. 1, 1824 to Aug. 30, 1843	" 19 "
April 8, 1844 to April 13, 1871	" 27 "
Sept. 25, 1871 to March 25, 1886	" 14½ "
April 6, 1886 to March 27, 1899	" 14 "

Volumes of Records of Marriages, Births and Deaths, viz. :—

Burials, Christenings and Weddings,	1749 to '53 and to '92.
" " "	1752 to '56
" " "	1775 to '95
" " "	1785 to '92

Dr. Stansers 3 vols. Births 1791 to 1816
 Marriages 1791 to 1816
 Deaths 1791 to 1802

Dr. Willis's memo. book Funerals and Births 1825-6
 Marriages 1830-1

Marriages, 5 vols. 1816 to 1822 : 1823 to 1826 : 1826 to 1830 :
 1830 to 1851 : 1852 to date.

Baptisms, 6 vols. 1816 to 1828 : 1829 to 1838 : 1838 to 1854 :
 1854 to 1871 : 1871 to 1883 : 1883 to date.

Burials, 3 vols. 1816 to 1846 : 1846 to 1855 : 1855 to date.
 Also Sextons 1818 to 1833.

Packages of memoranda of births, deaths and marriages :

Marriage licenses and miscellaneous papers.

The memoranda of births, marriages and deaths have been indexed in 3 vols., viz. :

Baptisms covering from 1753 to 1790
 Marriages " 1752 to 1792
 Burials " 1753 to 1790

VOLUME OF HISTORICAL EVENTS styled
St. Paul's Parochial Register,
 in the custody of the Rector.

COMMUNION PLATE

Consisting of 2 Silver Flagons.
 2 " Patens.
 2 " Cups. 4 plated cups.
 2 " Collection plates.
 8 Plated Collection plates.

Iron Safe in Vestry Room contains Deposit Receipts and
 Insurance policies per Warden Mowbray's memo. Also Miscellaneous
 papers.

R. J. WILSON, *Vestry Clerk.*

Halifax, N. S., 16 April, 1900.



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NOTE.

As the work of a large parish like ST. PAUL'S is in constant need of money, and as many of its members in making disposition of their means in their wills may naturally feel disposed to apportion a part to carry on the Master's work in connection with the church, from which during their lifetime they have received such great and invaluable spiritual benefits, a form of bequest is subjoined.

The Rector, Wardens and Vestry constitute a body corporate, so that any sum left for any object within the entire range of the church's work to which the donor feels most disposed to give, such as the payment of the Church Debt, Church Endowment, the Poor Fund, Alms House, Organ, Church Improvement, Sunday School, City Mission Work, the general purposes of the Parish, or the erection of any Home or Building, for any charitable church purpose, will be most directly and safely disposed of by means of them.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I hereby give and bequeath to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of St. Paul, Halifax, N. S., a body corporate, the sum of

.....
*(if the donor desires to give to any special object or fund, the words should be added—for.....
e. g., for Church Endowment, the Alms House, or for the Sunday School, or for the Parochial Mission or for the Poor, etc., etc.)*