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"Remember ye do, do it heartily, as unto the Lord,
and not unto men."

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"Peace be to this House, and to all that dwell in it."

St. George's Church, Toronto.

Services, Appointments, &c.

HOLY COMMUNION, 1st and 3rd Sundays in the month (<i>Alms for the Poor</i>)	8 : 00 A.M.
MORNING SERVICE, Sundays	11 : 00 A.M.
Holy Communion after Morning Service, 2nd and last Sundays in the Month.	
EVENING SERVICE (<i>Seats free</i>) Sundays	7 : 00 P.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL	3 : 00 P.M.
BIBLE CLASS (<i>For Young Women</i>)	3 : 00 P.M.
HOLY BAPTISM, 1st Sunday in the month.	4 : 15 P.M.
At other times by appointment.	
CHOIR PRACTICE, Saturday	8 : 00 P.M.
" " for Boys, Saturday	9 : 00 A.M.

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VESTRY MEETING.

THE adjourned Vestry Meeting was held in the School House on Monday evening, 2nd May, the Rector in the chair. There were about twenty-five persons present.

Mr. Crickmore reported that the Auditors had gone over the Churchwardens' accounts, and found the same correct.

On motion of Dr. Lett, seconded by Mr. W. D. Murray, the Rector and Churchwardens, and Messrs. Henderson and W. J. Baines, were appointed a committee to take steps to extend the envelope system, with power to add to their number.

It was moved by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Henderson, and resolved: That in view of the large amount raised in this Parish for missionary purposes, and the insufficiency of the ordinary revenue to meet the requirements of the Parish, more especially with respect to obtaining the services of an Assistant Minister, it is desirable that we should revive the former practice of raising moneys for ordinary purposes simultaneously with the moneys obtained for missions through the Parochial Missionary Society.

The meeting then adjourned.

THE SURPLICES.

AFTER the adjourned Vestry Meeting on the 2nd ult., an informal conversation on the Surplice question took place, those who were adverse to the proposed change taking this opportunity of responding to the Rector's request for an expression of opinion. Very little was said against the change on its merits, the question being rather treated as one of expediency in the present instance. It was stated that there were some who feared that the adoption of surplices might "lead to something else," meaning, of course, ritualistic practices, in reply to which reference was made to the use of surpliced choirs in churches where there had never been any approach to ritualism. It was suggested that it might bring about a division in the congregation, but the tone of the discussion was of itself sufficient to shew that such a fear was groundless. At the conclusion the Rector stated that it was not intended that the surplices should come into use on Ascension Day, as had been at first proposed.

The proposal to adopt surplices has awakened an interest in the question outside our Parish, and has been referred to and commented upon in both religious and secular newspapers. The *Globe* has given the matter especial attention, having published the Bishop's letter at length, followed in a later issue by an expression of opinion by several Toronto clergy, obtained by an "interviewing" process—all more or less favourable to the use of surplices. The approval of Rev. S. J. Boddy and Rev. J. P. Lewis, prominent clergy of the "Low" School, with the Bishop's letter, should be abundantly sufficient to satisfy any who fear that the question may be regarded as a party one.

OFFERTORY DURING MAY.—1st, \$39, and for Divinity Students' Fund, \$29.45; 8th, \$44.42; 15th, \$38.10; 22nd, \$32; 26th, Ascension Day (evening), \$39.14; 29th, \$48.64.

If any person has kept copies of the printed Easter Reports of 1875, 1876, and 1877, and can spare them, the Churchwardens would be glad to have them, as they are required for the purpose of completing the Parochial Records for those years.

ASCENSION DAY.—The annual choral service took place on the evening of Ascension Day, 26th May. As is usual on these occasions, the music was excellent, and the service hearty.

We hear that Mr. Farrell, for a number of years identified with St. George's as Churchwarden and Lay Delegate, has taken up churchwork in Winnipeg, where he now once more fills his long accustomed office of Churchwarden.

The Venerable Archdeacon Whitaker preached his "farewell" sermon prior to leaving Canada, in our church, where some thirty years ago he preached for the first time in Toronto. It is needless to say that the sermon was one of great power and such as might well be delivered as a parting gift to the branch of the Church in which the venerable preacher has so long held a prominent position.

CHURCHWOMEN'S MISSION AID.—The quarterly meeting of the Churchwoman's Mission Aid Society was held in St. George's School-house on Tuesday, May 10th, the Rector in the chair. The Treasurer's report shewed that the total receipts for the quarter were \$154, of which \$144 came from St. George's Parish. Addresses were given by the Rector of Grace Church, the Bishop of Algoma, and the Provost of Trinity College. Mr. Lewis forcibly pointed out the vast importance of the great North-West Territory, and of its spiritual claims upon the churchpeople in the Diocese. The Bishop of Algoma spoke of the needs of "our Missionary Diocese," and while complaining that this Diocese had been so backward in fulfilling its duty to Algoma, warmly thanked St. George's Parish for its great interest and liberality in his work. The Archdeacon stated that one important step had been taken by the Provincial Synod last September to further our domestic missions, by the creation of a Central Board of Missions whose duty it will be to collect and diffuse information as to the state of the Church in Manitoba and Algoma, and to receive and remit moneys on its behalf. Probably one of the earliest subscriptions sent to the Central Board was the Good Friday Offertory in St. George's, amounting to \$70.

PARISH REGISTER.

BAPTISMS.

- April 3. Thomas Henry, s. of Thomas Henry and Mary Helen Osborn.
 " 3. Thomas Gillott, s. of Peter and Eliza Millington.
 " 3. Frank and Harry, twin sons of Peter and Eliza Millington.
 May 1. Richard Wilson, s. of Robert and Mary Cranshley.
 " 1. Mary Carew Boulton, privately baptized January 9, was received into the Church.
 " 27. Edward Frederick, s. of Robert and Helen Jordan.
 " 29. *Annie Elizabeth Mary, d. of Ralph W. and Grace Keefer.

MARRIAGES.

- April 19. Francis Edward Philip Pepler to Annie Dora Bernard.
 " 28. John Hamilton Kane to Jessie Adelaide Halliwell.
 May 11. Albert Tyler to Agnes Wilkie A. Christie.
 " 23. Tom Hayward to Mary Bessey.

*This baptism took place in Trinity College Chapel, but is registered as in St. George's Parish.

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