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THE VESTRY MEETINGS
OF THE ANGLICAN CHURCHES HELD MONDAY EVENING

Rev. A. F. Whalley Made Priest-Vicar of St. George's — Successful Year's Work Reported in the Various Churches.

The annual vestry meeting of St. George's Cathedral took place Monday evening. The Dean presided and addressed the meeting on the work of the past year. He referred to the value of the contribution of those who had passed away, as well as those who had joined the colors. He appealed to the young men to rise to their responsibilities.

The financial statement showed an expenditure of \$10,796.90, including \$1,700 given to missions. There still remained an overdraft of \$538, which outstanding pew rents and envelopes would cover.

The Dean said he had promoted Rev. A. F. Cecil Whalley to be priest vicar of the Cathedral in recognition of his faithful services and the vestry endorsed the merited elevation by an increase of \$100 in stipend.

During the year a mission was opened in Montreal street, north end, to minister to the growing need. A week night service and Sunday School is held weekly.

A general meeting of the Duplex envelope was urged for the year was good.

R. J. Carson was appointed rector's warden and P. C. Lyman was elected by the people. The vestry moved a hearty vote of thanks to both gentlemen for past services and also to Major P. G. Campbell who has acted as vestry clerk for many years.

W. B. Dalton and Surgeon-Major D. E. Muddell were elected the Cathedral representatives to synod. R. Easton Burns and Major W. J. B. White were appointed auditors.

The election of sidesmen was left to a committee and will be announced later.

Hearty votes of thanks were passed to R. F. Harvey and his efficient choir, to the Church Women's Aid, the A.Y.P.A., the Band of the R.C.H.A., the students who had wired the hall for electric lighting, and to the Sanctuary Guild and Teachers of the Sunday School.

St. Paul's Church.

The vestry meeting of St. Paul's church was held Monday night. Canon Fitzgerald presided. The following reports were read from the various church societies. The Women's Aid, which showed that \$23.50 had been paid to various mission purposes. The bank offering of Women's Aid amounted to \$25. Besides the above, a valuable bale of work was sent to a needy mission.

The General Mission Fund report showed that \$400 was paid to Canon Groat for missions.

The Sunday school report showed receipts of \$158.85, the children's offering, of which \$25 was paid to missions. The Sunday school is entirely self supporting and provides its own Christmas tree, picnic and library.

The choir fund showed a credit balance also, and there is a sum in bank of \$137.47, as an "organ fund."

The A. Y. P. A. report showed receipts of \$76.35, of which \$60 was paid to missions.

The report of the Ladies' Guild showed that besides helping in various ways, the financial position, the sum of \$106 was given to the Red Cross Society, independently of amount given by congregation.

The meeting revealed a happy condition of work in every department.

The meeting was adjourned to Monday, May 8th to permit of the churchwardens' financial statement being presented.

St. James' Church.

A year of progress was shown by the reports which were presented at the vestry meeting at St. James' church on Monday night. At 6.30 o'clock, the members sat down to a fine dinner, provided by the Anglican Young Women's Association, after which the business meeting was proceeded with Rev. T. W. Savary presiding.

The report of the rector showed every department of the church's activities to be in splendid condition. Every department showed progress. The financial statement was presented by the wardens and showed a small balance on hand, notwithstanding the fact that about \$600 had been spent this year on improvements to the church buildings. During the evening, St. James' church male quartette rendered several selections which were much appreciated by the large number present.

J. Farrar was appointed rector's warden, and W. N. Liston was elected people's warden. Francis King was re-elected delegate to the Ontario Synod, for the ensuing three years.

The fund for the new memorial hall showed a balance of \$5,500 on hand. A committee was appointed for the purpose of adding \$3,000 to this amount during the coming year, and it is hoped that building operations will be commenced next spring.

The following were elected members of the Advisory Board: W. J. Murray, J. K. Carroll, Francis King, Frederick Welch, W. H. Dalby, S. C. Smith, J. S. R. McCann, H. Sharpe, G. E. Hague, H. H. Taylor, R. E. Genge, N. McCaig, J. Farrar and W. N. Liston.

St. Luke's Church.

The annual vestry meeting of St. Luke's Church was held on Monday evening. The meeting was opened by prayer by Rev. Canon Forster, rector. Reports showed great advancement in the church work. The sum of \$294.25 as compared to \$280.05 in the previous year was collected for missions. The envelope collection amounted to \$902.80 as compared to \$849.35. The loose collection was \$295.83 as compared to \$193.69. The Easter collection was \$98 as compared to \$60. The total receipts were \$1,598.04; expenses were \$1,539.91.

The following were elected to the different new offices: Wardens, A. J. Murray and A. J. Shannon; sidesmen, J. Watts and A. Graves; chairman of advisory board, N. R. Sharpe. W. H. McDonald, J. E. Holland and Joseph Blakey were elected as new

members of the committee. The Synod delegates are H. Jennings, H. J. Simpson and W. Carroll.

St. John's Church.

The annual vestry meeting of St. John's Church, Portmouth, was held on Monday evening, and was adjourned for three weeks.

James Halliday and Jethro Graham were re-elected church wardens. The usual financial statements were presented, which showed that the parish was in very good condition.

St. Mark's, Harrisfield.

The Easter vestry meeting was held last evening, and a large number of the congregation were present. The auditors' report showed an expenditure of \$1,164. Following the adoption of this report, there was a general discussion on the financial standing of the parish. It was proposed that the amount of money required for the running expenses of the church for the year should be raised by the voluntary offerings of the congregation through the weekly envelope system, and that this amount should be assumed at the beginning of the year. The amount of money raised by the envelope collections should be used for other purposes within the parish.

J. S. Sibbit was re-elected rector's warden and O. G. Seale was unanimously returned as people's warden. J. A. Wilmot was re-elected vestry clerk. J. Stewart and G. Sibbit were appointed auditors for 1916. W. A. Milton was chosen as representative to the Synod for the next three years. The sidesmen were re-elected, with the addition of the following: C. Baxter, J. Patterson, H. Seale.

A vote of thanks was tendered the organist and choir, the Guild and other societies of the church for their splendid work during the year.

Christ Church, Cataract.

Canon Roberts, the rector, presided at the vestry meeting of the above church on Monday evening. The financial statement showed that the receipts and expenditure practically balanced. B. Lancaster was chosen rector's warden and John Heaton people's warden. Alfred Baker was elected to Synod for three years, Colin Clark for two years, and H. Lancaster for one year. These donations were made: \$4 for the Red Cross fund and \$4 for the fund to buy testaments for the soldiers. The rector reported that the Lenten services were well attended.

LOTS OF LEGISLATION
WAS HANDLED BY THE MEMBER FOR FRONTENAC

He Had Charge of Two Constituencies Besides Giving Aid in the Work Undertaken by the Government.

When the Lieutenant-Governor on Thursday, gives the Royal assent to the various bills that have been enacted into law in the Ontario Legislature, the member for Frontenac, A. M. Rankin, will probably lead all private members with the amount of legislation that he has handled this session. Owing to the absence of Lieut.-Col. Ross who has been elected into law in the Ontario Legislature, the member for Frontenac, A. M. Rankin, has been charged with the care of two constituencies, as well as assisting the government in many matters that have demanded the practical attention of men from outside ridings so that proposed legislation should accomplish its end without confusion.

Some of the legislation that Mr. Rankin piloted through the House is: City of Kingston bill, bill to amalgamate the School of Mines and Queen's University, a bill permitting municipal councils to increase the poll tax to \$5.00 per year an amendment to the Ontario Highway Act so that any party to a county road scheme where a suburban area is defined must appoint its representative to the commission within thirty days after receiving notice from the Highways Department.

Mr. Rankin also fought strenuously to have the anomaly in the ex-

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In the confusion arising out of the new highway between Toronto and Hamilton, Mr. Rankin, on account of his long experience in connection with road problems, was asked by the government to sit on a special committee to hear all parties in connection with the legislation to apportion the cost over the amount named in the first figures, and when the legislation was finally reported this committee received the thanks of the House for its careful work.

"CHRIST IN ART."

An Interesting Programme at First Congregational Church.

At the First Congregational church on Monday evening, before a fair-sized congregation, Rev. C. F. Hill Crutcher, of Park Congregational church, Worcester, Mass., gave an address on "Christ in Art." After a very interesting talk the lecturer unveiled a picture of "The Master" painted by Gerard Cobb, of Boston. Mr. Cobb took thirty years to paint this picture and it was most interesting to hear the speaker tell the story of the painting as it had been told to him by Cobb. Before the lecture, there was a service at which the pastor, Rev. E. LeRoy Rice, presided. The programme consisted of an organ prelude, a hymn, prayer and scripture reading.

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