

Subscription Price: \$1.00 per year, in advance.

Communications to T. W. Turff, 154 Cliff Crest Drive, Scarborough Bluffs, Ontario. Grover 4354.  
Treasurer, F. M. Mathias, 35 Lockwood Road, Howard 6652.



COX Miss R.  
Anglican Residential School,  
Hudson Bay Co., Fort George  
Via Moosonee, Ont.



Church of St. John the Baptist, Norway, Kingston Road and Woodbine Avenue.

## Services:

**HOLY COMMUNION:**—Every Sunday at 8 a.m.  
1st and 3rd Sundays in each month at 11  
a.m. Every Thursday (with special inter-  
cessions for the sick) at 10.30 a.m.

**HOLY BAPTISM:**—Every Sunday at 4 p.m.

**CHURCHING:**—After Baptism or by appoint-  
ment.

**MATINS AND EVENSONG:**—Matins 11 a.m.  
Evensong 7 p.m., on Sundays.

**THE LITANY:**—On the second Sunday of  
the month at Morning Prayer.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:**—Sunday at 3 p.m.

The Church is open daily for private prayer,  
rest and meditation.

**CANON W. L. BAYNES-REED, D.S.O., V.D., L.Th.,** Rector, 156 Kingston Road, Howard 1405.  
**ARCHDEACON J. B. FOTHERINGHAM,** Assistant, Trinity College, MI. 8411.  
**REV. F. E. FARNCOMB, B.A.,** Cemetery Chaplain, 16 Beachview Crescent, Grover 6955.  
**MISS MARY SHOTTER,** Deaconess, 26 Columbine Avenue, Grover 1236.

A.Y.P.A. ....	Sec., Miss Dorothy Smith, 33 Norway Avenue, Howard 7754.
CARILLONNEUR .....	Bruce Clark, 289 Waverley Road, Phone Howard 1035
CEMETERY OFFICE .....	256 Kingston Road, Howard 2965.
CHANCEL GUILD .....	Supt., Mellor Dunham, 182 Kingston Road, Howard 6113.
CHOIR .....	Sec., Miss M. Long, 56 Columbine Avenue, Howard 4265
	Organist-Choir Master, W. H. Mould, L.I.G.C.M., 310 Willow Av. Gr. 0247
	Sec., P. E. Coultart, HO. 7083.
CHURCH AND PARISH HOUSE .....	Corner Kingston Road and Woodbine Ave. (Queen Car), Howard 4560.
CHURCHWARDENS .....	Rector's Warden, Mr. F. M. Mathias, 35 Lockwood Road, HO. 6652. People's Warden, T. W. Turff, 154 Cliff Crest Drive, Grover 4354.
ECCLESIA GIRLS' BIBLE CLASS .....	Mrs. F. H. B. Saxon, 302 Lee Avenue, Grover 1779.
EVENING BRANCH W.A. ....	Sec., Mrs. H. D. Collins, 281 Woodbine Avenue, Howard 5103.
FLOWERS FOR ALTAR .....	Flower Sec., Miss Robertson, 266 Waverley Road, Howard 2709.
GIRL GUIDES .....	Betty Jameson, 186 Kingston Road, Howard 1600.
JUNIOR BRANCH W.A. ....	Marjorie Wilcock, 310 Woodbine Avenue, Howard 5459.
LADIES' LAWN BOWLING CLUB .....	Sec., Mrs. Caunter, 2 Hartford Avenue, Howard 9177.
LITTLE HELPERS' BRANCH W.A. ....	Mrs. H. Wadley, 87 Hammersmith Avenue, GR. 9756.
MEN'S BOWLING CLUB .....	J. McAdam, 5 Heyworth Crescent.
MOTHERS' SOCIETY .....	Mrs. Laraway, 75 Hannaford Avenue, GR. 5532.
MOTHERS' UNION .....	Sec., Mrs. F. Walker, 2058 Gerrard Street E. Howard 2966.
NORWAY BIBLE CLASS .....	Leader, A. W. Blakeley, 44 Beaufort Road, Grover 2854.
PARISH ASSOCIATION .....	Sec., Mrs. C. T. Coultas, 117 Hollywood Crescent, Grover 1287.
SEXTON .....	Mellor Dunham, 182 Kingston Road, Howard 6113.
SIDESMEN'S ASSOCIATION .....	Sec. C. W. Walker, 68 Normandy Boulevard, Grover 0992.
SUNDAY SCHOOL .....	Sec., Alf Nursey, 113 Burgess Avenue, Howard 6285.
TENNIS CLUB .....	Sec. Mr. Arthur Green, 151 Waverley Road, Howard 8981.
35th TROOP BOY SCOUTS .....	Scout Master, A. W. Nursey, 113 Burgess Avenue, Howard 6285.
WOMEN'S AUXILIARY .....	Mrs. A. H. Fisher, 15 Benlamond Avenue, Grover 6741.
YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS .....	Leader, H. Bedford Berman, 19 Keystone Avenue, Grover 6357.



# Imperial Bank of Canada

Open a Savings Account and deposit regularly. You will be surprised how it grows. Interest added twice a year.

A safe and easy way to remit money—

Small sums by Bank Money Orders

Larger sums by Bank Draft

Safeguard your valuables. Rent a Safety Deposit Box from \$3.00 a year up.

Our Bond Department is at your service.

Consult us before buying or selling bonds.

**Queen and Kingston Road Branch**

H. S. HADGRAFT, Manager.

NOT ONLY CHILDREN but men and women, too, should drink Milk with every meal. Milk aids digestion, sleep, complexion, general health.

KINGSDALE 6151

Established 1895

## Elmes Henderson & Son

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE  
Specializing in Property Management

Elgin 4239

10 King St. East — Toronto

## G. C. Elgie, K.C.

BARRISTER, SOLICITOR, etc.

372 Bay Street

ELgin 5418

Residence

90 Edgewood Avenue

HO. 4112

At Your Service — Give Us a Trial  
WE CAN PLEASE YOU

## Norway Meat Market

G. H. DAVIS, Proprietor

334 KINGSTON ROAD

HOward 1816

Phone GR. 3351

We deliver

## Kenderdine's Bakery

W. Kenderdine, Proprietor

Home-made Bread, Pies, Cakes and Pastry

Schools and Parties Supplied

336 KINGSTON ROAD, TORONTO

## ANDERSON'S

TOBACCO AND STATIONERY

Lending Library

ICE CREAM, SOFT DRINKS

363 KINGSTON ROAD

HO. 0073

(Opposite Norway School)

SPACE TO LET

## W. J. STRATTON

PLUMBING and HEATING

314 Lee Ave.

Phone HO. 3766

Prompt Attention Given to Repairs

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS



# St. John's Parish Monthly

Editor—THE RECTOR

Associate Editor—HEDLEY PEZZACK, 315 Kenilworth. HO. 7152

Volume 15

DECEMBER, 1936

No. 170

## Rector's Letter

The Rectory,  
December, 1936.

Dear Brethren:

Once again we make preparations for keeping the glad festival of Christmas with all its historic significance.

What a wealth of memory the very name recalls! In fact, one might say we gauge our lives by the Christmas Season. At least in childhood it forms the biggest yearly event in our lives; and in mature years, while we look beyond the family festivities associated with it, it still looms large in our lives. And why? Because it is the very foundation fact in our religion, because in it we commemorate the fact of the Incarnation—God become man—"for us men and for our salvation." And what a wealth of significance is this! The Incarnation is the only way in which we can conceive that it was possible for God to make Himself fully known to man. It was the surest proof of the Divine Love—the Father in sending and the Son in coming. He assumed our human nature, not for a short time, but for ALL time, for He still wears it at the Father's Throne in Heaven. How God became man has ever been a theme for discussion in the Church. How these two natures were combined in the one. In these days there is a tendency to do away with anything of the miraculous in religion—to dispense with the necessity of a Virgin Birth—or to explain it away: in fact in many quarters to do away with the Divine altogether and to make the "Jesus of history" simply the most perfect, the ideal.

This may seem very plausible but it is a blow at the very vitals of our Christian Faith. If Jesus was simply the perfect man, then He was not DIVINE; then His claims were false and He was not the Son of God, hence not the Saviour of the world. If all mystery was taken out of our religion, it would not be religion—just as God would not be God if we understood all about Him.

There must always be men like St. Thomas who require to have things demonstrated to them. But surely we must have faith, and if we "do God's will we shall know of the doctrine," and ultim-

ately like St. Thomas say, "my Lord and my God." The historic faith is not enough for salvation. It must be the personal Christ.

"Though Christ in Bethlehem Town  
A thousand times be born,  
Unless He's born in thee,  
Thy heart is all forlorn."

The Christmas message speaks of peace and good will. It means that if we are to share that peace of mind and fellowship with God we must be reconciled with those from whom we are estranged. It means that as we have received the great gift from God we must minister to the least of His brethren, the sick and the needy—those not so well-off as ourselves.

Let us bear witness to Him by our ministrations to His poor, and let us testify to our faith in Him as the Saviour of the world by our own presence at His altar throne when He comes on Christmas Day.

That the real Gift of Christmas Joy may be yours is the sincere wish of

Your friend and Rector,  
W. L. BAYNES-REED.

### SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The Holy Communion will be celebrated on Christmas Day at 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.30 a.m. Arch-deacon Fotheringham will preach at the 10.30 service.

On New Year's Eve there will be a Watch Night Service at 11.30 p.m. On New Year's Day a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m.

### SERVICE OF INTERCESSION

After his absence from the city, Rev. C. J. Frank, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Square, is continuing his Wednesday noon (12.30 to 12.45) service of intercession for an outpouring of God's spirit of good will, understanding and peace on all men of all nations.

If any of the congregation are down town at this hour, Mr. Frank will appreciate it very much if they will join in these petitions.

## WATSON'S

WHEN MOVING — Phone Hargrave 5034

Careful Carrier of Household Goods. Pianos Moved and Hoisted by Experienced Men

281 RHODES AVENUE

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS





### A.Y.P.A.

A "Fireside Hour" was recently held following the regular Sunday evening service in the billiard room with an attendance of 70 members and their guests. The program was very informal and greatly enjoyed by those present. Pat Bailey gave a short talk on the lives of the men and women who have written some of our most beloved hymns. Following this, several of the good old fashioned hymns were sang in true "Seth Parker" style. The enthusiasm with which the evening was received is a tribute to Miss Margaret Hastings and her committee who are in charge of the devotional activities of the branch. As plans are at present, these little get-togethers will be repeated at least once a month.

For the athletic-minded members of the branch a new activity has come into being this year in the form of a badminton club, playing on Wednesday nights in the gymnasium, under the direction of Miss Mildred Frape. It is fast gaining popularity and points to being one of the highlights in the near future. In addition the boys in conjunction with the A.Y.P.A. Bible Class have entered a team in the Intermediate "B" section of the Inter-Church Basketball League. They have gathered together a strong aggregation and insist they are going to make it interesting for all and sundry.

With the pressure of other news your reporter hasn't had space to keep you up-to-date on the Matrimonial Club of the A.Y.P.A. this year. Things have been rushing as usual with Bruce Clark and Gertie Belsham, Ernie McBeth and Mary McCallum, Bill Hurd and Joan Chatterton, Jack Thomson and Ethel Knowles all being married this year. Several others are in the offing, including Lil McDowell and Bill Cloakley, who have set the day for Christmas. To them all we extend our heartiest congratulations. May their lives be filled with health, wealth, success and happiness.

So we come to the end of another column and another year. Christmas is but a few days off, but with all the hustle and bustle of preparation, let us not lose sight of its true meaning. Let us look back and remember the nativity of the Baby Jesus in the manger at Bethlehem over 1900 years ago. This is truly a season when—if at no other time—the world seems to be at peace with itself, man to man and nation to nation. Indeed, it is a season of "good will toward men." Even old Scrooge could not resist the joyous celebrations of a Christmas season.

May I take this opportunity, on behalf of the A.Y.P.A. members, to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

May all your troubles be little ones, and from Dicken's immortal "Christmas Carol," in the words of Tiny Tim: "God bless us, everyone."

### ST. JOHN'S (NORWAY) CHOIR

What a lot has been done, and what a lot there is left to do; commencing like this, has all the earmarks of a trade on the sins of commission and also of omission, but whilst realizing what a subject this would be to dilate on, it is not my intention to discuss it but am woefully aware that the sins of omission (speaking personally) are fearfully in the preponderance. There is so much that could be written of this month that an epitome of each as they occur to my mind will have to suffice. Recently an excellent gathering of Church Choirs, under the auspices of the English School of Church Music, held service at St. James' Cathedral. This was a most impressive assembly, consisting as it did of chorists arrayed in their robes and filling a considerable part of the Cathedral, whilst the choir of St. James' and dignitaries of the Church filled the choir stalls and the chancel. This association and its objective are excellent, striving to attain a standard of music and capability of singing worthy of the Church of which we are proud to be members.

Then there is the Bazaar. Many thanks are due to those who so ably assisted us in making our first effort in being responsible for a stall, such a success. The results were extremely gratifying and the sales that were made record another debt of gratitude to our friends who so well supported us. Our personal thanks to Mrs. Robert's, the convener, and those ladies who so ably helped there, are earnestly offered by the rank and file who go to make up this organization.

Then again (although the Concert will be a thing of the past when this appears in print) the choir boys and junior members of the Church are presenting a play entitled "Trouble in Toyland." This has meant a good deal of time and labour in training the youngsters, and I hope that in the following month it will be possible to record a successful conclusion to a work that both Mr. and Mrs. Mould have given much time and attention.

Carol time is here again, and as last year, so again this will our choir boys be heard over the air, singing carols from down town. For our own carol service there will be quite a variety of both well-known carols and those not so frequently heard, but all of them well worth hearing and singing. Date of this carol service I must leave to be announced later, or maybe you, Mr. Editor, will oblige us with the date, as we hope to have a large gathering at the time.

Phone HArgave 6231

**GARD & SON**  
FLORIST

Wholesale and Retail

39 PAPE AVENUE

Prices on page 124, back Telephone Book

**A. E. Cook**

DIRECTOR OF FUNERAL SERVICE

Lombard 2245

721 Bloor Street West



**MOTHERS' UNION**

The monthly meeting of the Mothers' Union was held in the Ladies' Parlour on November 26th, with a large attendance of members and prospective members present.

The meeting opened with the singing of Hymn No. 630. This was followed by prayers the singing of the 23rd Psalm, and the Litany.

Mrs. Bonner read from the 10th chapter of St. John's Gospel, verses 1-16.

The President addressed the meeting, giving us some very beautiful thoughts from the 23rd Psalm. The meeting came to a close with the singing of Hymn No. 634. This was followed by special prayers for our Missions, the sick, the unemployed, our homes, our Parish, and peace.

Miss Shotter pronounced the Benediction.

Christmas cards were brought in by members to be sent to our "Links."

There will be no meeting in December.

**PARISH ASSOCIATION**

November meetings were attended by enthusiastic numbers of ladies, all working towards the Bazaar's success. Mrs. McIntyre, who convened the Fall Rummage Sale, reported nearly \$58 from the event and was given a hearty vote of thanks.

Mrs. McLroy, our flower convener, reports most of our members enjoying good health. We were sorry to hear that Mrs. Cooper has been ill.

The Bazaar really came up to all our expectations and presented a delightful effect: "Autumn In Canada." The stage of the Parish House was most artistically arranged with the "Lucky Well," and all sorts of vegetables and grain carrying out the idea of a bountiful harvest. The opening ceremonies of Friday afternoon were well worthy of mention. The platform was crowded with many notables of the city, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Elgie, who declared the Bazaar open; the Mayor and Mrs. Robbins, and many others. Mrs. Elgie received a lovely basket of flowers from dear little Patsy Murray, who made the presentation very sweetly. Canon Baynes-Reed seemed to enjoy introducing the various guests who afterwards were guests of our President and Mrs. Reeve, the convener, in the tea room.

The girls of the Thimble Club were responsible for the beautifully arranged tables, and deserve a special word of praise for the work they did during the meal hours of the Bazaar. Mrs. Willcock is President of this group of workers.

Space will not permit a detailed account of each separate booth, but the money taken in both days will prove of interest to all, so here is the final report:

"Lucky Well," co-conveners, Mrs. E. Thompson and Mrs. Christie .....	\$ 62.05
"Xmas Decorations and Cards," A.Y.P.A., Kathleen Robertson .....	11.95
"Cloak Room," Mrs. Powell .....	5.00
"Mystery Booth," Evening Branch W.A., co-conveners Miss Collins and Miss Shotter	48.25
"Fancy Work," Ecclesia Girls' Bible Class, Mrs. Saxon .....	106.25
"Country Store," Mrs. E. Roberts .....	60.00
"Ice Cream," Mrs. Collard .....	71.00
"Doll Booth," Mrs. A. B. Reeve .....	58.20
Mrs. Atherton's Group .....	110.00
"Choir Booth," co-conveners Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Mould .....	108.00
"Miscellaneous," Afternoon Branch W.A., Mrs. Gascoigne .....	129.53
"Perfume and Toilet Accessories," Mrs. Warrington .....	80.15
"Fortune Telling," Mrs. Howden .....	93.82
"Candy," co-conveners Mrs. Liddiard and Mrs. Croft .....	93.42
"Home Cooking," Mrs. E. Dengate .....	100.00
"Tea Room," Mrs. McIntyre .....	25.00
"Bingo," Mrs. Conner .....	28.00
"Bowling," Men's Club .....	12.04
"Dancing," A.Y.P.A., Bob Steele .....	3.48
"Tickets," Mrs. W. Thompson, Mrs. South and Mrs. Coultas .....	24.85
Donations:	
Mr. Elgie .....	10.00
Mothers' Society .....	50.00
Mayor Robbins .....	5.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,295.99</b>

**MOTHERS' SOCIETY**

The Mothers' Society started their November activities with a lunch which was held in the Ladies' Parlour on November 5th, at 1 p.m. Thirty members sat down and enjoyed the lunch which was catered for by Mrs. Laraway, Mrs. Frudd, Mrs. Graham, and Mrs. Squires. The proceeds were for the Bazaar Fund.

At our meeting, which started at 2.30 p.m., Miss Shotter read the Collect for All Saints' Day, and from the 12th chapter of Hebrews, telling of the "Peaceable Fruit of God's Chastening."

At our meeting on November 12th, Miss Shotter spoke from the Gospel for the 22nd Sunday after Trinity, which is the Gospel of Forgiveness. If we forgive not those who do wrong to us, then we must not expect forgiveness from our Heavenly Father for the wrongs we do. When the spirit of forgiveness reigns in every heart, then will come "Peace on Earth."

Phone Office: Howard 4768  
Evenings by Appointment

**DR. W. G. DAVIS**  
DENTIST

59 BALSAM AVENUE  
Corner Queen St. E.

**Remember your Church in your Will**

I give and bequeath to the Rector and Churchwardens of St. John's Church, Norway, Toronto, the sum of \$..... free of legacy duty.





## The Virtue of Love

By the Very Rev. Francis Underhill, D.D., Dean of Rochester

**S**AINTE Paul exalts love to the highest place among the three supreme theological virtues. "Now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest is love." In

so doing he is only following the teaching of our LORD Himself, as we may read on every page of the Gospel. Those who are at all acquainted with classical literature, and with other religious systems, will see that this is the point which most clearly distinguishes Christianity; in it love is the essential thing. Creeds and theological discussions, wisdom and faith, preaching, yes even martyrdom ("though I give my body to be burnt"), are as nothing in comparison with love, which stands high above them all.

Yet our LORD's teaching about love, no doubt because it is the highest of virtues, is that part of it which men find most difficult of acceptance. It has not yet conquered racialism, commerce, national and personal selfishness, or why should the world be in the perilous condition in which it stands to-day? Love is the key to the door of international agreement and international prosperity; but it is not being used even now. Here we have space only for a few elementary considerations about this greatest of virtues.

### THE LOVE THAT IS EASY

For all of us there is a great division at the outset. There are some people whom we naturally love; their faces, their persons, their habits, their very movements are deeply attractive to us, we

hardly know why. All that they do or say, even though it may sometimes offend our cooler judgement, seems appropriate in them; they can do no wrong. For we love their minds as well as their outward appearance.

Whether we think alike or think differently does not seem to matter very much; we can forgive everything in them, even cruelty to ourselves. We bear, we hope, we believe, we endure all things where these beloved people are concerned. And there is no great merit in it all. For even though this kind of affection be mixed with pain, as it generally is, we cannot help ourselves. We must love, and the outstanding danger is not loss of love but excess of it.

Passion is an easy thing for human nature.

### THE LOVE THAT IS DIFFICULT

But there are other people, in fact a great many more than those with whom we fall in love, for whom it is not at all easy to feel affection. We meet them day by day; it may be that they are closely connected with the business of our life. But they are unattractive or even repulsive to us, though we have to be for ever dealing with them. If they are not of necessity in our immediate daily surroundings it is our duty to seek them out and help them.

The pre-Christian rule was simple—"Thou shalt love thy friend and hate thine enemy." And though many of these of whom we are thinking could not be called our enemies, our LORD teaches us what our attitude towards

### ABOU BEN ADHEM

**A**BOU Ben Adhem—may his tribe increase—  
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,  
And saw within the moonlight in his room,  
Making it rich and like a lily in bloom,  
An angel writing in a book of gold.  
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold  
And to the presence in the room he said:  
"What writest thou?" The vision raised its head,  
And with a look made all of sweet accord,  
Answered: "The names of those who love the LORD."  
"And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay, not so,"  
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,  
But cheerly still; and said: "I pray thee, then,  
Write me as one that loves his fellow-men."  
The angel wrote, and vanished. The next night  
It came again with a great waking light,  
And showed the names whom love of God had blessed,  
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.

*Leigh Hunt*



At our meeting on November 19th, we had as guest speaker, Miss Emery, who is head of the Deaconess House. The address was taken from St. John, 1st Epistle, 3rd chapter, 1st, 2nd and 3rd verses. Miss Emery spoke of Christ's second coming and told us it was mentioned 318 times in the Gospel. Miss Emery also read for us part of the 21st chapter of Revelation: "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth." We all enjoyed Miss Emery's address very much, and hope to have her with us again soon.

The members of the Mothers' Society were again able to make a donation of \$50 to the Bazaar. Thanks are due Mrs. Powell for the way she has collected this money.

The officers and members of the Mothers' Society send Christmas Greetings to the Rector, the Wardens, the other societies in the Church, and every member, with the hope that God will abundantly bless every one at this time and that in 1937 peace may reign in our hearts.

#### AFTERNOON BRANCH W.A.

The Shower at the home of Mrs. A. H. Fisher was a splendid success owing to the co-operation of the ladies of St. John's. We received one hundred and twenty articles and \$13.05. Mrs. Gascoigne, the convener, wishes to thank all who in any way helped to make the Shower such a success.

The November Board meeting was held at St. Monica's Church. As the east-end churches were so near, their members turned out in large numbers.

An all-day quilting bee was held at the Church in November 18th. Mrs. Brickenden served a lovely lunch, for which the ladies were very grateful.

On November 25th three bales were packed for the West. One went to Mrs. Myatt, Sask., one to Rev. Hugh Caley, Little Pine Reserve, and the third one, a carton of books, went to Rev. E. S. W. Cole. These were beautiful bales, containing quilts, clothing of every kind, and mothers' bags filled with every thing one could think of to fulfil a mother's needs. An amazing array of articles is procured for these bales, even to a doll carriage to make some little girl joyful. We also have a parcel ready for the down town centre and something for our Deaconess and Social Service Department.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the Ecclesia Girls' Bible Class for the lovely donation of baby clothes and other articles.

Monday, November 13th, being St. Andrew's Day, the communion service was well attended by the members of the W.A.

We were more than sorry that Mrs. Crossley, who has been a most faithful cupboard convener for the last three years, has had to give it up on account of her health. She was presented with a quilt as a slight token of appreciation.

Mrs. Peachey, our Dorcas Secretary, having moved to North Toronto, has had to give up her position, for which we are so very sorry. Our loss will be St. Clement's gain though.

We wish you all a most Joyous Christmas and Happy New Year.

#### EVENING BRANCH W.A.

We have not very much to report this month, the main interest for the month of November being the Annual Bazaar; the proceeds from the Mystery Booth which we were in charge of being most satisfactory. A sum of \$50 was realized. We feel sure that every one who patronized our booth was well satisfied with their "mystery parcel."

We would like to congratulate Mrs. Reeves, the convener of the Bazaar, and her committee, for their splendid work; also Mr. R. Huff for his decorations.

I think "Canadian Autumn" was one of the nicest Bazaars held at St. John's for some time, the platform being worthy of special mention.

I would like to thank our own members who helped to make our booth such a success.

As the next report will be in the New Year, we will take this opportunity of wishing everybody a Very Happy Christmas and a Glad New Year.

#### ECCLESIA GIRLS' BIBLE CLASS

There was a good attendance of the class at the 11 o'clock service in Church on November 29th. It is so nice to see some of the mothers attending Divine Worship with their daughters.

Great enthusiasm was displayed at the packing of eight large cartons of used books and magazines, and a whole bale of our own for Rev. Eric S. W. Cole, of Arborfield, Sask., containing many toys and articles of clothing made by the girls for his Sunday School Christmas Tree. Grateful letters have been received from Mrs. Smiley, Prince Albert; and from the Rev. Mr. Cole. Many warm, useful clothes have been placed in the Church Social Service cupboard.

This week, 227 renovated greeting cards, ready in stamped envelopes, were dispatched to the Sunday School by post, Regina, and a wonderful parcel to our little adopted Indian girl, Sarah Tabacan, in Atikameg.

May we trust that everyone will have a very Happy Christmas and a New Year full of well-thought good resolutions.

1111 DANFORTH AVE.

HA. 3111

## Trull Funeral Home

Private Ambulance

Private Slumber Rooms and Family Suites

PHONE HOWARD 5712

## GEO. H. CREBER

CEMETERY MEMORIALS

208 KINGSTON ROAD

(Near St. John's Cemetery, Toronto)

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS



them should be. What does this teaching of JESUS CHRIST imply? It does not mean that we may expect to feel for such persons the love we have for those who draw out our natural affection. Some things we cannot do, try as we will; we cannot call up the same emotion, the same kind of feeling we have for those towards whom our love so easily goes out. There is nothing wrong in this. But the call these people make upon us, consciously or unconsciously, provides occasion for a kind of love which we know to be very dear to the heart of our LORD.

This man or woman who stirs our emotional affection not at all has needs as real as those of anybody else; and sometimes it is obviously our duty to supply those needs. I am the person, we feel, who is called to give what is wanted. It may be tedious; it may be that the succour we give takes us away from the company of a person who is infinitely dearer to us. But it is GOD'S will that we should perform this act of practical and unselfish love. We do it, and we are not left unrewarded. There is a real joy in the sense of having done our duty. But more; it often happens that real affection comes this way. As we get to know such people really well through practical acts of kindness, as we learn to understand and sympathize with them, a very precious friendship may arise, almost before we know it. To love a person without being in love with him is one of the most satisfactory of human relationships.

### LOVING GOD BEST

Many good people are terribly worried because they love others better than they love GOD. They hear continually the words of CHRIST that they are to love the LORD their GOD with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength; and they know perfectly well that they are not doing it. So their conscience is troubled, their religious life is hindered; they regard GOD, almost without knowing it, as One Who demands from them what they cannot give.

Now whatever our ideal may be, it is no use worrying about that which seems at present impossible. It is better to consider our LORD'S teaching as a whole and to see what He really meant. Here there is great encouragement in the last part of the twenty-fifth chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel. "The righteous," as He calls them, are puzzled to know why He regards them as His true lovers, for they are hardly conscious of being what He calls them. But He explains, "Inasmuch as ye did it [showed active love] to one of the least of these My brethren, ye did it unto Me." This does not mean that we are not to seek GOD in worship and prayer. That is the most practical of all ways of love; without it we are never likely to get near to Him. But He Himself says that if we are unselfish, helping those who need our help, regardless of merely natural affections, and if we join that with faithful persevering prayer, we shall find Him both in His humble brethren and in His own most adorable Self.



## Over the Teacups

### Competition

PRIZES are offered for photographs of "A Winter Scene."

Will Competitors please note the following rules:

1. The name and address of the sender must be clearly written on the back of each photograph submitted.
2. The photographs become the property of THE SIGN and cannot be returned to the competitor.

The First Prize is 10s., the Second 5s., and 2s. 6d. will be paid to the sender of any photograph (not a prize-winner) published in THE SIGN. Entries must reach "Over the Teacups," c/o The Editor of "THE SIGN," 28 Margaret Street, W.1., on or before the first post on Friday, December 18th. Prizes will be sent out early in January, and the results published in the February SIGN.

*Advance Notice.*—Please keep carefully all Christmas cards and scraps from bon-bons, etc. They will be needed for a Competition which we hope to set in February.

### Result of September Competition

Prizes were offered for (A) the best "handyman gadgets," and for (B) "housewife's aids." The response in Class A was very small, and only one prize can be awarded. This goes to Mr. R. J. Paton, Benison, Purkiss Close, Chandler's Ford, Hants, for a good set of hants.

In Class B there were a good number of entries, a large proportion of which showed originality. One or two competitors, however, suggested electric cleaners and irons, and so forth, which are not available to every housewife, and there were suggestions as to the use of patent soaps, cleaning powders, etc., which were not quite what was intended. One competitor considered it a good "aid" to get up an

hour earlier every morning! This seems rather drastic, as many of our readers, especially those in country districts, must of necessity be very early risers already, in order to get off their men-folk well warmed and fed, and fit for the day's toil, and the children ready for school.

The First Prize has been won by Mrs. E. L. Smith, 46 New Road, Shoreham, Sussex, whose list is very methodical, and the Second by Miss E. W. Barratt, 1 Clifton Street, Crewe. In the Highly Commended Class are Mrs. V. Cantwell and Mrs. Teal; and Commended are Miss Cox, Mrs. Greaves, Mrs. Love, Miss Parry, and Mrs. Sanderson.

And now comes Christmas. "Peace on earth" seems a very, very, long way away. It will be a somewhat severe test of our faith, hope, and charity if we can put in the background all these terrible happenings in the world of to-day, and give up ourselves to keeping the festival with a merry heart. Christina Rossetti sings:

"A Merry Heart is a continual feast.  
Then take we life and all things in good part:  
To fast grows festive when we keep at least  
A merry heart."

Christmas is the Home Festival. Perhaps sometimes it is almost forgotten that it is a great Church Festival too; and in our natural eagerness to give the children "a good time" we do not always make sure that they really understand that it is because of the Birthday of the Babe of Bethlehem that presents are given and parties come about. A child is so receptive, and is so easily touched by the Manger story, that all grown-ups should make the best of this glorious opportunity of teaching.

To all, then, of our friends of the Teacups we wish A Very Merry Christmas.



## A Letter from the Southern Hemisphere

WESTLAND,  
NEW ZEALAND.

DEAREST CHARLOTTE,

Christmas was rung in by a million bells in this Westland valley, for thousands of foxgloves (English invaders, but lovely against the sombre bush-clad mountains) were at their very best, pink, white, and lilac. Christmas morning was wet, so when I went down to the Hall for the Eucharist every foxglove bell was hung with a diamond. Soon the native rata will make the bush blaze with scarlet: it is rather late this year. I do hope it will come out while I am still here.

I suppose I may say that this is my first real New Zealand Christmas, for my other Christmases have been spent in towns, with friends who cling to the English traditions. Do you know, it is extraordinarily difficult, when one first comes to the Antipodes, to believe that it is Christmas at all? For, not only is it summer instead of winter, but it is the summer holiday, and there is exactly the same rush that there is at Home when every one is going away for August. At one time, many families stayed at home for Christmas Day, or at least until after their Christmas Communion; but now vast numbers go off hiking and camping and bathing the minute they are free, and one wonders how much Christmas as a religious festival means to them, or whether it means anything at all.

I believe that the root of the trouble is that, though the churches are no longer decorated with cotton-wool-on-scarlet texts, they have continued to cling to the English Christmas. It is all of a piece with decorating the plum-pudding (and plum-pudding is so stuffy on a summer's day!) with a sprig of holly stuck with red currants to represent berries, and drawing the curtains early to shut out the daylight. It's rather pathetic, for all the time there is a slight sense of having to stand outside the experience of the Northern Hemisphere, of missing something:

Had My Lord been born here in the time of the rata,  
Three dark-eyed chieftains would have knelt to Him,  
With greenstone and mats and the proud huia feather;  
And the eyes of Mary, seeing, would grow dim.

Oh, my heart goes crying through these days of waiting,  
We too have oxen, and our straw is sweet:  
We too have shepherds and stables and a manger,  
Oh for one clear footprint of His little feet!<sup>1</sup>

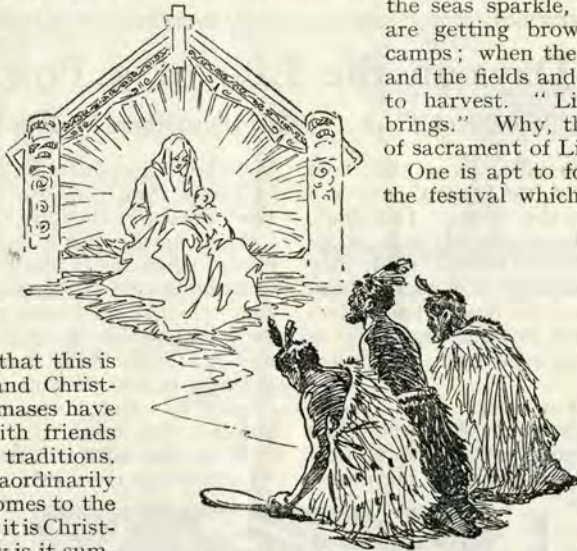
And we *are* missing something here, for, in trying

to have a romantic Northern winter Christmas (which we can't have), we are losing what we are meant to have, namely a joyous summer one. After all, there is something wonderfully appropriate in celebrating the coming of the Light of the World at the time of year when the days are longest and lightest, and the skies are their bluest; when the seas sparkle, and sickly city children are getting brown and strong in health camps; when the gardens are full of roses, and the fields and orchards are drawing on to harvest. "Light and Life to all He brings." Why, the whole season is a sort of sacrament of Life and Light!

One is apt to forget that, after all, it is the festival which "informs" its natural setting and turns it into a sacrament, and not the other way about. December 25th was not either beautiful or romantic, I imagine, in the days of pagan mid-winter sacrifices. It was the Church which brought about the change and filled dark, cold days with beauty and with family joy. And here, so it seems to me, the Church must set to work so to present Christmas that the

holiday-makers may connect their summer joys with Him Who is the true Light and the true Life of men.

I wonder if it would be possible to take Christmas out of doors? This is a windy country and on the west coast it is likely to rain in summer. But do you remember that time when we were at Champéry in summer, and the Corpus Christi Mass was sung at an improvised altar at the end of the village street, under the summer sky, and



"Three dark-eyed chieftains would have knelt to Him"



"Vast numbers go off hiking"

against a background of flowery Alpine hillside? It was very lovely and, somehow, right. So was a simple little Rogationtide service I once went to

<sup>1</sup> By Eileen Duggan.





## The Family Safeguard

REMEMBER that the health of every member of your family and their freedom from infectious ailments are dependent upon their own natural powers of resistance. It is therefore of vital importance to build up and maintain this resistance by proper and adequate nourishment.

To be quite sure that the dietary provides all the essential food elements, make 'Ovaltine' the regular daily beverage. 'Ovaltine' is the food beverage most widely recommended by doctors. It builds up body, nerves and brain and fortifies the system by maintaining resistance at the highest level.

Because of its supreme merit, 'Ovaltine' should be the daily beverage of everyone for maintaining abundant energy and glowing health.

# 'OVALTINE'

The Supreme Beverage for Health

Prices in Gt. Britain and N. Ireland, 1/1, 1/10 and 3/3.

P291A

## Here's economy in cakes

Save money every week by making cakes at home. A fruit cake that costs 2/3 to buy can be made at home for 1/3. To get the very best results use Borwick's Baking Powder. You'll need less butter, fewer eggs. Good cooks always use

# BORWICK'S

## BAKING POWDER

The Best in the World

## NOW DEAF EARS CAN HEAR AGAIN

Simply and Inconspicuously as Nature intended

The latest discovery by the "Ardente" Scientists gives True-to-Tone Hearing to sufferers from the isolating handicap of deafness, even the so-called "STONE" DEAF.

Whether young, middle-aged or old, rich or poor, using an aid or not—you must try this new "Ardente" way to Better Hearing.

NOTHING IN or ON the Ears.

CALL FOR FREE TEST, or write for details, Medical Reports and a FREE TEST in your own HOME.

ASK FOR DETAILS OF XMAS GIFT SCHEME.

R. H. DENT (Ltd.), M.Inst. P.I., 309 OXFORD ST.

(Coloured Building  
with Square Clock)

LONDON, W.1

Mayfair 1380/1718/0947

Aberdeen, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Exeter, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leicester, Leeds, Liverpool, London, Manchester, Newcastle, Southampton.

## FOR WHITER TEETH



USE HALF-AN-INCH OF  
KOLYNOS TWICE A DAY  
1/- AND 1/9 TRIAL SIZE 6"  
OF ALL CHEMISTS AND STORES

# KOLYNOS

## DENTAL CREAM

REGD.



## THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

writes :

"The Royal Cancer Hospital deserves all the help which can be given to it in its ceaseless endeavours to combat this scourge by patient research into its causes and by skilled and sympathetic treatment of those who suffer from it."

PLEASE SEND A CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE EARL OF GRANARD

# The Royal Cancer Hospital

(FREE)

FULHAM ROAD

LONDON-S.W.3



## JOHN PEZZACK

BARRISTER SOLICITOR, Etc.

Suite 1004 DOMINION BUILDING

465 Bay Street EL. 2246

Branch Office: 1880 Queen St., East  
(Corner Woodbine)

Telephone HO. 5071

## Beaumont & Barker

BARRISTERS and SOLICITORS

Equity Chambers, 24 Adelaide Street East

Telephone Elgin 4838 TORONTO

## J. W. DEE OPTOMETRIST AND OPTICIAN



2006 Queen Street East

HO. 9397

## ROBINETTE'S

RED INDIAN SERVICE STATION

Kingston Road at Woodbine Ave.

HOward 0398

Specialized Chek-Chart Lubrication

Our Business is Ingreasing

## MARCHANTS

For Choice Groceries

1947 QUEEN STREET EAST

HOward 3385

WE DELIVER

RALPH C. DAY  
Owner

Ambulance  
Service

## The Ralph Day Co.

FUNERAL DIRECTORS

172 DANFORTH AVE.

GErrard 3870

# DIRECTORY

FRED SARGENT - - - - FLORIST

463 Woodbine Avenue

Telephone HO. 4447

AUSTIN J. MACK

Funeral Director - - Ambulance Service

1986 Queen St. E. — HOward 4400

CHAS. H. DOWLING - ELECTRICIAN

59 Duvernet Avenue

A. JACKSON - - - - - GROCER

203 Kingston Road

Telephone HO. 2226

T. FRAMPTON - METAL WORKER

Eavestroughing and Furnace

329 Kingston Road, HO. 3222, HO. 3753



Exclusive Agents for Masonite Products  
PRESWOOD QUARTERBOARD  
AND INSULATION

### Edmund Hind Lumber Co. Ltd.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

Cor. Danforth Avenue and Main Street  
Phones Grover 1133-4-5

Phone Howard 3112 1938 Queen St. East

### J. COOPER

BUTCHER

Home Made Sausages a Specialty  
All Cooked Meats our Own Make  
Phone Orders Promptly Delivered

### E. F. BROWN

DRUGGIST

We specialize in dispensing doctors prescriptions  
Kingston Road — At Woodbine

GRover 3500

TEN MINUTE DELIVERY SERVICE  
From 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Every Day

SPACE TO LET

Phone GRover 2859

### E. W. DEER

CONCRETE CONTRACTOR

23 DEVON ROAD

TORONTO

Phone HOWard 3606

### C. G. BAILEY

(DOMINION HARDWARE)

Garden Tools · Glazing · Paints & Oils  
1950 QUEEN ST. EAST, near Kenilworth

### Houghton's Drug Stores

Dependable Quality and Service

1881 Gerrard St., Grover 9161

349 Jones Ave., Hargrave 2331

454 Kingston Rd., Grover 4534

We Specialize in Compounding Prescriptions



### PRINTING

### McCallum Press Limited

1378 Queen St. East - Toronto

Phone HARGRAVE 1606

### Hunter's Grocery

PHONE HO. 5971

WE DELIVER

TOBACCOS — CIGARETTES

302 KINGSTON ROAD

A Few Doors From Woodbine

Head Office, Yard and Siding: WOODBINE AVE. and G.T.R. TRACKS. Phone GRover 2176  
Branch Office: 1381 DANFORTH AVE. Phone GL. 0888

## WOODBINE COAL CO.

W. R. GRINNELL, Prop.

COKE

ANTHRACITE AND BITUMINOUS

WOOD

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS