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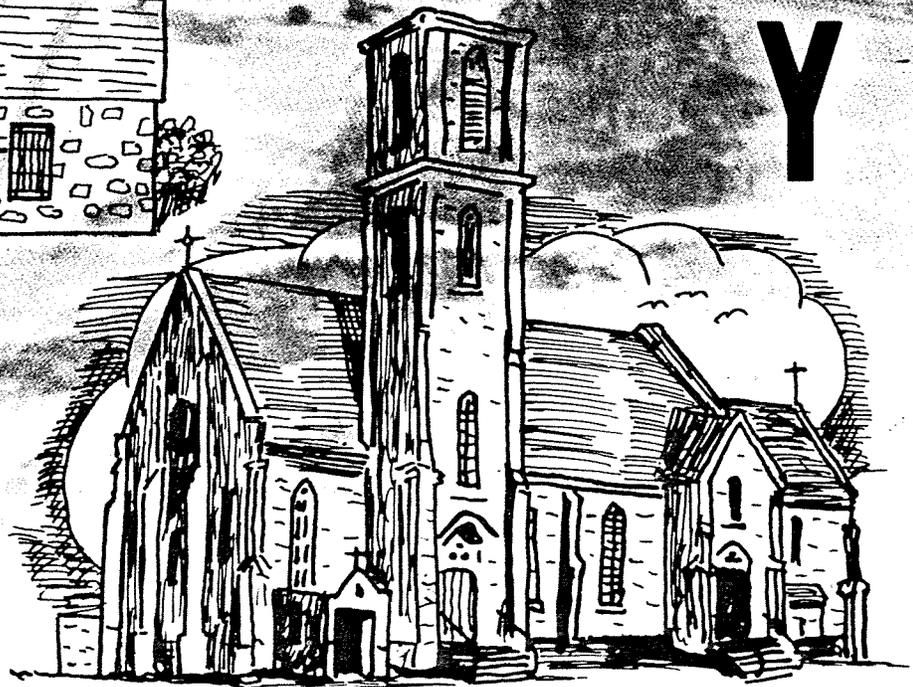
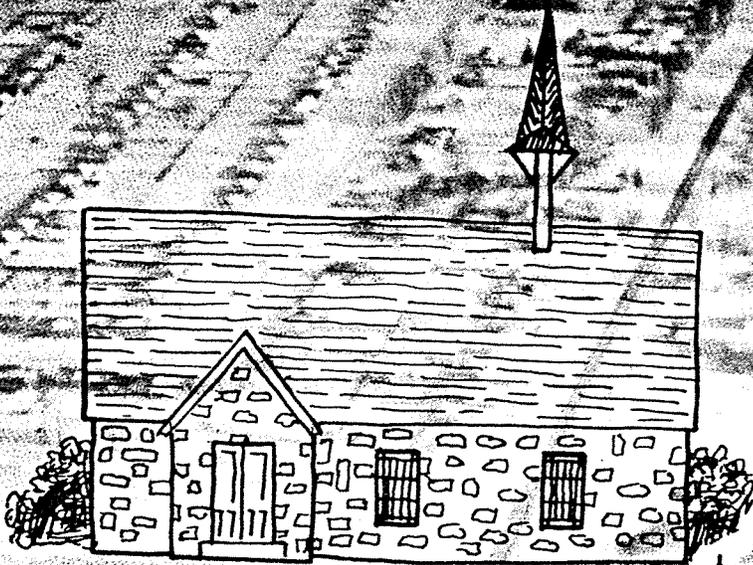
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Orangeville Ontario



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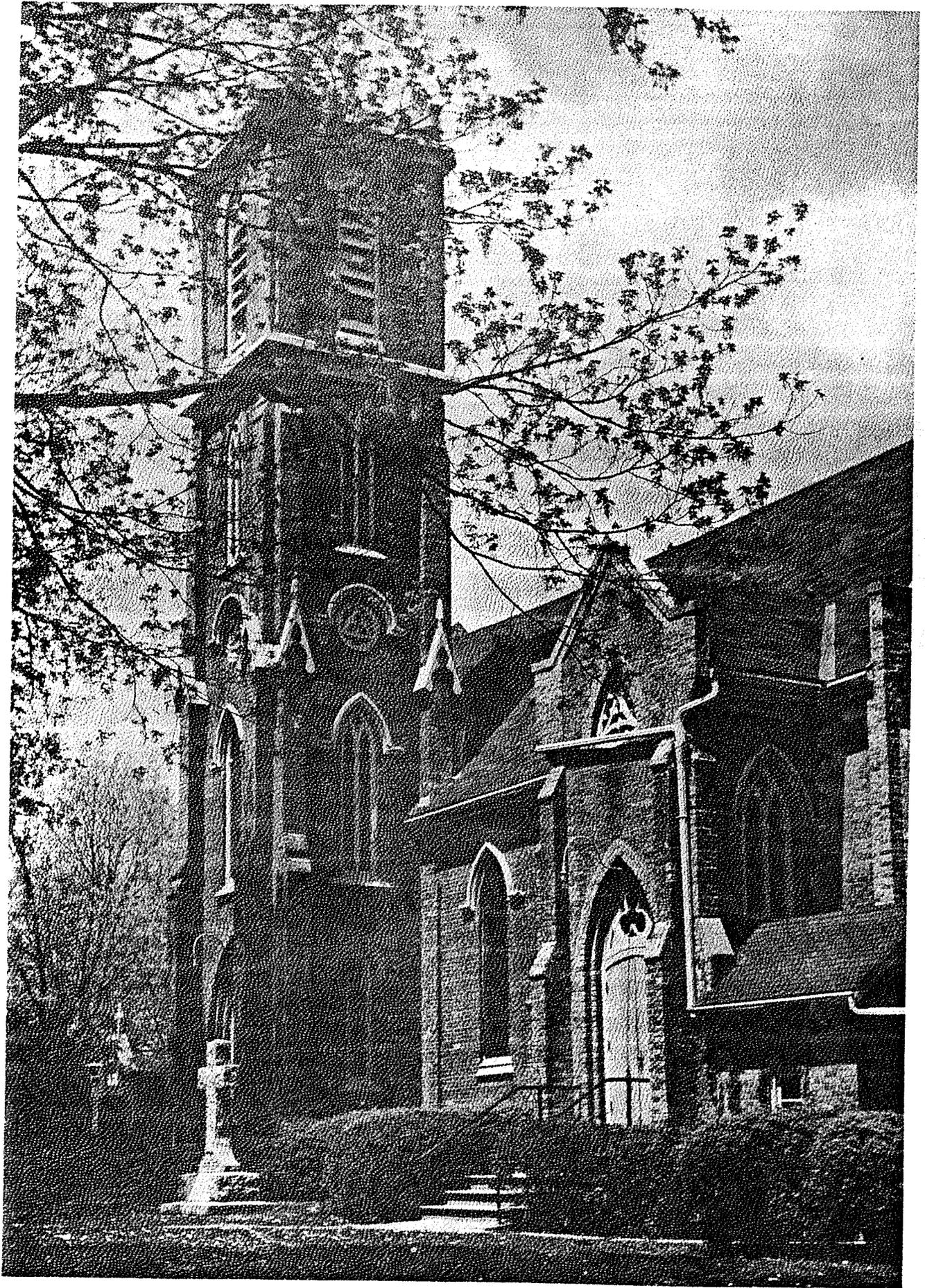


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View of present St. Mark's Church. The tower was built in 1891 at a cost of \$460.00.

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We are deeply grateful to all who contributed in any way to make this History of St. Mark's Church, Orangeville possible. A committee was appointed by the Rector early in 1967 to take the work in hand. This was to be our Centennial Project.

Our first source of information was the History Booklet published in 1937 on the occasion of the hundredth anniversary of the founding of St. Mark's Church and located in Mono Township about one mile east of our town.

Further information was gleaned from newspaper clippings of "The Sun" and "The Orangeville Banner"; from "Unto the Hills" written by the Rev. Allen Read; from Church Records of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Burials; from a history of the Ancestors and Descendants of the Ketchum Family.

We herewith acknowledge the kindness and assistance of our Lord Bishop of Niagara, the Assistant Bishop of Niagara, the Rector of St. Mark's Church, Orangeville, the Church Wardens, Messrs. E. Stott and H. Speers, all the members of the Committee with special mention to Mrs. William Church, all the parishioners who loaned us materials which we were able to incorporate into our book with special mention to Mr. James Wardlaw, Mrs. Elizabeth McMaster, and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cline.

It is our ardent hope that all who purchase or receive a copy of this History of St. Mark's will enjoy reading it again and again from time to time and that the younger generation will get a better appreciation of how our Christian forefathers laboured in the work of the Lord in this Community and in the Diocese and the World for the extension of the Kingdom of God.

We trust you will derive as much pleasure from this "documentary" as we had in preparing it for you.

Despite constant vigilance on our part to make this as nearly perfect as possible, a number of errors crept in for which we apologize and beg your indulgence.

The Rev. J. A. Seltzer

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR



The Rev. J. D. Rathbone

My Dear Friends:

It is indeed a privilege to write a few words of introduction for our Parish History Book.

May I first commend the Committee under the Reverend J. A. Seltzer who have spent many hours in research and in writing to produce this history of St. Mark's, Orangeville, over the past 130 years.

The last history of our parish was compiled in 1937 when the Centennial was celebrated. Much has happened in Orangeville and in St. Mark's during the past thirty years and we felt this should be recorded and further research done. So much history is stored in the minds of people associated with a place or church. It seems sad when this history is not recorded in some way so future generations may read it. Such is our intention in this book.

We, who read it now in this present generation, will appreciate more the labour and lives of our predecessors in this parish and ever strive to live up to and emulate their faithfulness. This we must do if future generations are to record our history in a favourable way.

The wardens, Parish Deacon, and I hope you enjoy reading this History of St. Mark's Church in Orangeville.

J. D. Rathbone



Diocese of Niagara

THE RIGHT REVEREND WALTER E. BAGNALL, D.D., D.C.L.
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September 22nd, 1967.

To the Congregation of
St. Mark's Church,
Orangeville, Ontario.

My Dear Friends:

I am very grateful for the opportunity of writing a brief message for your historical booklet. I send you my heartiest congratulations and the assurance of my prayers as you prepare to give thanks to God for all His blessings during the one hundred and thirty years of your life as a congregation. You have "grown up" in one of the most strategic areas of the diocese, close to the See cities of Toronto and Hamilton, and St. Mark's has seen many changes and developments during its long life.

Through all the years of your history, the grace of God has been working through faithful clergy and faithful laity and generation after generation has knelt in worship and then gone out into the world stronger and better because of their membership in the family of St. Mark's.

As you prepare to celebrate this significant anniversary, you can see clearly the links that bind the past with the present and then point to the future. We look back in thanksgiving, we work and worship together in inspiration, and then we look forward in hope. In this world which has changed so radically in the last century, new opportunities will be crowding in upon you and I know that every member of your parish will be eager to seize them.

You are members of God's family. You are the people who believe that the redemption of human life is possible through the power of Jesus Christ our Lord. You are the people who are guided and strengthened by the Holy Spirit. I pray that God may continue to bless you in the future and that you may continue to be faithful to your vocation.

A happy anniversary to you all. May your future be even more glorious than your past.

Your friend and Bishop,

Walter Bagnall

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SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

OUR PATRON SAINT

John Mark was a Jew and a cousin of Saint Barnabas.

These two set out with Saint Paul on their first missionary journey, but for some reason, St. Mark turned back and this greatly displeased Paul.

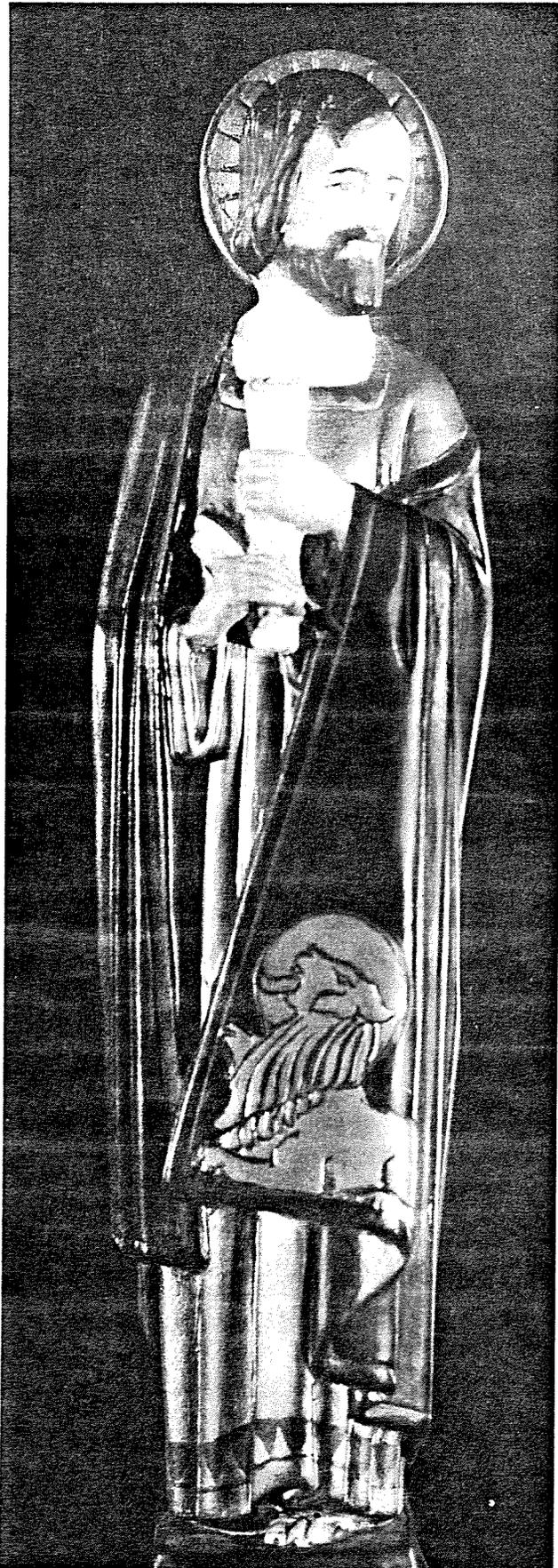
Afterwards he was in Rome with St. Paul and St. Peter, whose interpreter he was.

In Italy, if not at Rome itself, he wrote his Gospel. It was known in the first century and was used by both Matthew and Luke.

It is likely that St. Mark had to collect for himself the material of which his Gospel is composed. Not all of those who had known Jesus personally were dead, and there were written sources available.

St. Mark's Gospel was written in Greek, that is, in the popular language spoken in the Eastern Mediterranean. It is the least cultured and the least grammatical of the Gospels, though the author shows considerable talent and power in writing narrative.

The story opens with the preaching of John the Baptist, represented as the fulfilment of prophecy. Throughout, he witnesses to Jesus as the Messiah. His purpose is evangelistic and every part of his Gospel bears witness to the Son of Man who died to redeem the human race.



THE HISTORY OF ST. MARK'S

ORANGEVILLE, ONTARIO

1837 - 1967



Seneca Ketchum

In the same year that the young Queen Victoria ascended the throne of England, a small pine log church was built by a missionary-minded Anglican churchman named Seneca Ketchum.

This first St. Mark's Church stood in a clearing in Mono Township, on the First Line, about a mile east of Orangeville. In 1837 our town site was a tract of bushland broken by a few trails and with only a handful of scattered settlers.

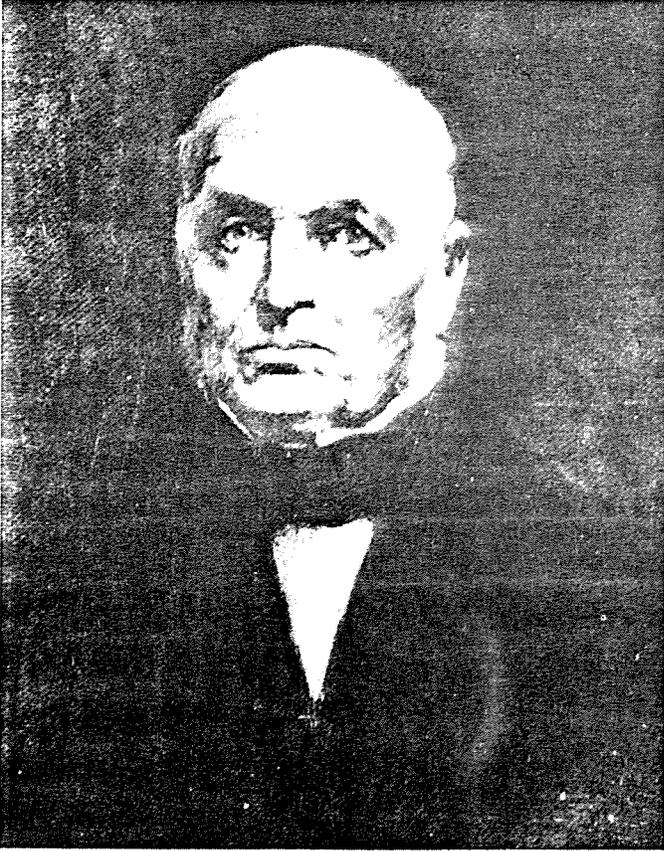
Orange Lawrence seems to have been the first permanent resident; he located here about the year 1844, but was not the first comer, as the first patent for land was issued in 1820 to Ezekiel Benson, a land surveyor. The next patent was to Alan Robinette in 1822, who in 1823 sold 200 acres to Seneca Ketchum for 25 pounds.

Seneca and his younger brother Jesse had come from the State of New York to Cataragui (Kingston, Ontario) with the Rev. Mr. Stuart to help him found the Anglican Church in that busy lake port. From there they came with their rector to build St. James Anglican Church in Toronto of which both brothers were staunch members, but later, because of differences with Bishop Strachan, Jesse separated himself from the Anglican Church.

Seneca Ketchum's great disappointment was his inability to complete his studies and take holy orders. Nevertheless, this zealous Anglican layman held services in his cabin about seven miles up Yonge Street and on Sunday afternoons, settlers came from miles around to worship together.

In 1819 he organized services in the surrounding district, starting off before daylight on Sunday mornings to go to Thornhill and Markham and other places, where soon little churches were built

It was in 1832 that Adam Elliot began his work as a travelling missionary in this part of the country. The pioneers of the backwoods appealed to Seneca Ketchum to intensify the work and help them organize congregations and build churches. His dream was to build a church every few miles. In 1829 he began regular Sunday services and classes of instruction for the young people of Mono Mills and



Jesse Ketchum

near St. John's on the seventh line, also at Mono Centre and houses on what is now the Prince of Wales (Number Ten) Highway. In 1830 Bishop Strachan licensed him as Missionary of the Township of Mono. No salary was mentioned and none was expected.

It is said that people looked to Seneca Ketchum for everything, even fresh meat, which was a luxury in those days.

In his diary, dated October 1 1835, Adam Elliot writes: "I rode a considerable distance under a heavy rain and officiated in the house of Mrs. Carson in Mono, who has been confined above a year to her bed by sickness. Notwithstanding the rain, the little log barn was soon filled with neighbours and nine of them received the Holy Communion with her. I also read prayers and preached on that occasion.

In the evening I proceeded to the home of Mr. Ketchum in the same township and preached to twenty persons and baptized two children. Mr. Ketchum's work in the settlement is highly commendable; he has formed several Sunday Schools and instructed above a hundred persons in the Church Catechism, nor are his benevolent efforts confined to Anglicans only, but he gives religious instruction and makes presents of the best books freely to settlers regardless of their religious denominations".

When he came to Mono he brought several families with him, to whom he gave separate houses on his farm and provided work for them on his land.

Now, one hundred and thirty years later, the people of St. Mark's Orangeville revere the name and honour the memory of Seneca Ketchum the father of St. Mark's Parish, a God-fearing man and a mighty pillar of the Anglican Church during the years of its establishment in the townships of Upper Canada lying between Mulmur, Mono, and Caledon and the seat of the Diocese of Toronto.



Rt. Rev. John Strachan, First Bishop of Toronto.

John Strachan (1778-1867) Canadian Anglican prelate was born in Scotland. He emigrated to Upper Canada and in 1839 became the first Anglican bishop of Toronto. Strachan worked earnestly for education but always firmly advocated control of all institutions of learning. He also maintained that the Anglican Church had the sole claim to the Clergy Reserves.

Imagine his Lordship, driving the fifty miles over country dirt roads, and arriving in state with his coach and four horses, with footmen and coachmen, to hold Confirmation Service in the log church. Probably more stood outside than were able to be seated inside the little log church.



The First St. Mark's Log Cabin Church

Mr. Ketchum kept pressing the Bishop for a resident minister for Mono. In 1843 The Rev. Walter Stewart Darling was appointed Missionary to Mono and adjacent parts.

In 1845 he was succeeded by The Rev. George Borne, who ministered to a widely spread area.

In the late 40's there came from Ireland, The Rev. John Fletcher with his wife and family, to be resident minister in charge of St. John's, Mono; St. Luke's, Mulmur; Tossorontio, Adjala; and St. Mark's Church.

The Fletchers were the invited guests in the hospitable home of Seneca Ketchum while the new rectory at St. George's Church, Melville, Mr. Ketchum's latest mission was being built. Mr. Fletcher evidently remained in the Ketchum home until Seneca's death, which took place on June 4th, 1849, while Mr. Ketchum was visiting at the home of his nephew-in-law, The Rev. James Harris. He had gone to Toronto to see the Bishop on church business; and so passed a great pioneer churchman and missionary, one of those early heroes and saints to whom the Church is so greatly indebted; one who truly loved his Lord with all his heart and all his strength, and his neighbours likewise.

The Rev. John Fletcher was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, and on his arrival in Canada, he was ordained a deacon at Quebec. After Mr. Ketchum's death, the Fletchers moved into the new rectory at Melville.



The Rev. John Fletcher

farm, realizing a profit of 100 pounds.

His successor was the Rev. J. VanLinge, M.A. and he resided in Mono Mills.

St. Mark's, Orangeville, had its growing pains. Some unscrupulous person had misappropriated 27 pounds of the Building Fund and several refused to contribute any more toward the building of the new stone church until an account of the Mission Funds was given.

An 1850 report by Archdeacon Bethune stated that the road from the Mills to St. Mark's was extremely bad; that the congregation paid but ten pounds per annum towards their minister's stipend; that St. John's log church was prettily situated and much superior to St. Mark's; that St. John's congregation paid thirty pounds annually toward their Rector's stipend.

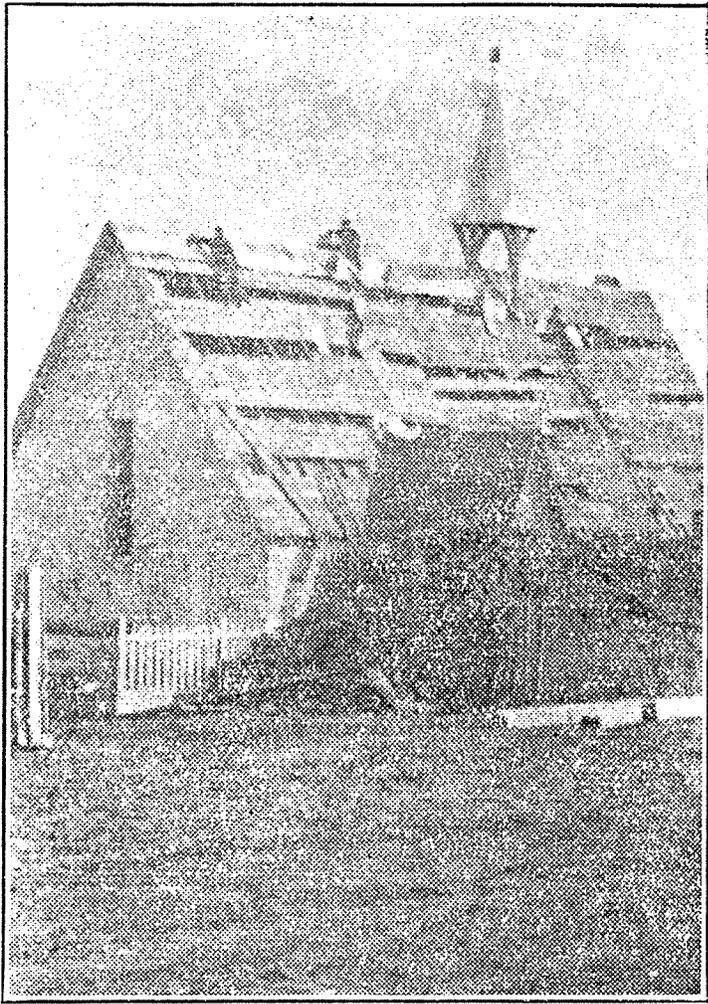
St. Mark's were annoyed because St. John's had the desirable morning service, while St. Mark's had to content itself with the evening service.

With the increase in population, St. Mark's needed a new church and on a new site in the settlement of Orangeville about a mile west of the original log church. So a small stone church was built on land given by Jesse Ketchum, who also made a grant of 50 pounds toward the new building. This second St. Mark's was built in 1854 under the direction of the Rev. John Fletcher.

Likewise, St. John's was too small for its congregation, and special services in 1855 had to be held elsewhere.

For some years Seneca Ketchum and St. Mark's parishioners continued to agitate to have the rector reside in Orangeville.

Similarly, the people of St. John's, Mono, were pressing the Rev. John Fletcher to leave the Rectory at Melville and live in Mono Mills. He did purchase a farm from the Crown and began to clear the land, but continued to live at Melville until he left the parish in 1856 and sold his



Stone Church built in 1854
and in 1861 left for another charge.

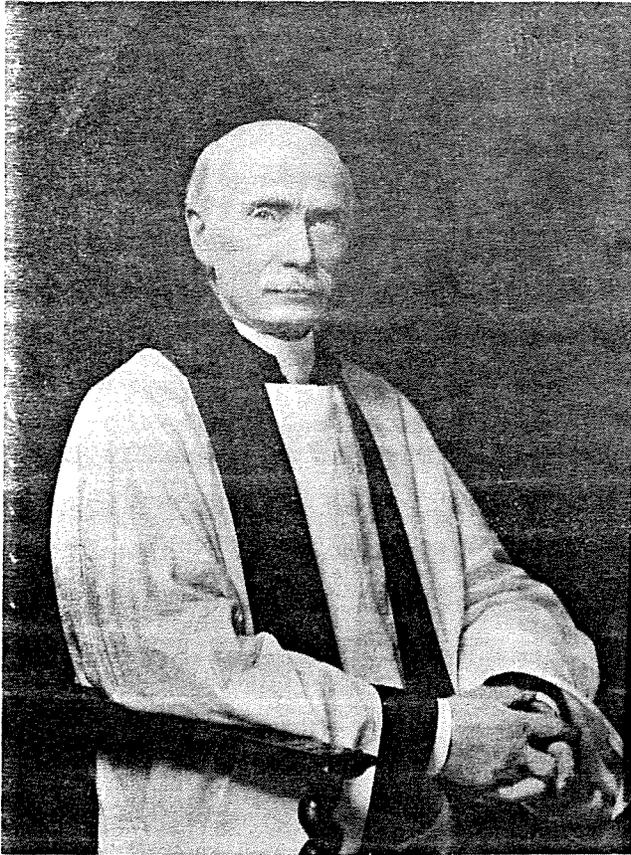
Then came the Rev. Alexander Henderson, a graduate of Trinity College, Toronto, to take charge of both churches and to do missionary work in the surrounding countryside, travelling about on horseback to minister to the scattered settlers. He resided in the new rectory on the Seventh Line of Mono just south of the church.

Meanwhile, Orangeville was growing rapidly and in 1863 was incorporated as a village. The parishes of Mono and Orangeville were separated and, as requested, Mr. Henderson was appointed Rector of St. Mark's, and so began the ministry of 40 years in this parish. He purchased a house that stood next to the little church on the east side. The town continued to grow, largely due to the coming of the Toronto Grey and Bruce Railway in 1871, and St. Mark's grew to be the largest Anglican church in the County of Dufferin. Sad to relate, Mono Mills, like many Ontario villages by-passed by the railway, diminished in size and importance, and at last, St. John's had to take second place to St. Mark's.

The rivalry became more intense. At an Easter Vestry Meeting, the Church Wardens, namely Thomas Jackson and John Armstrong were instructed to write a strongly worded letter to the Bishop of Toronto setting forth the situations in both parishes and urging him to have the Rector reside in Orangeville, guaranteeing to provide a house for him free of rent and promising to pay a larger portion of the minister's salary.

A further resolution sent to the Lord Bishop requested that the rector hold morning and evening services alternately at St. Mark's and St. John's.

In November 1858, the Bishop advised the Rev. Jacob VanLinge to move to Orangeville as soon as a suitable parsonage was available for him there but VanLinge took ill with a lingering malady



The Rev. Canon Henderson.

He retired in 1901 leaving a memory of influence for good in the hearts of all who knew him.

In 1902 at a great congregational meeting held in the Church Hall and attended by all the ministers of the town, the people presented their beloved Rector with a purse of gold as a tribute of their esteem and in gratitude for his lengthy ministry in their midst.

The congregation purchased the Rectory from Canon Henderson in 1903 for the sum of \$1300. Mrs. Henderson passed away just six years after their retirement and was laid to rest on August 3rd, 1907, in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Canon Henderson died in 1913 and was buried beside his wife on September 17th, 1914. In 1922 a beautiful Italian marble tablet was placed on the south wall of St. Mark's Church to commemorate his four decades of faithful service in our parish.

Early in Canon Henderson's ministry, in 1868, the present church building was erected. The people of St. Mark's were justly proud of their roomy new brick edifice with its dignified sanctuary and chancel, its vaulted ceiling, plastered walls, Gothic windows, comfortable pews, and its lofty spire.

Situated on a quiet residential, tree-lined First Avenue only one block from Broadway, the business heart of the County Town, St. Mark's has been an ideal place of worship for almost a century.

Canon Henderson was a man of very definite and strong churchmanship, a tireless worker and a clergyman who gave unstintingly of his time and energy in the service of the Lord for the benefit of his fellowmen.

REV. ALEXANDER HENDERSON, M.A.

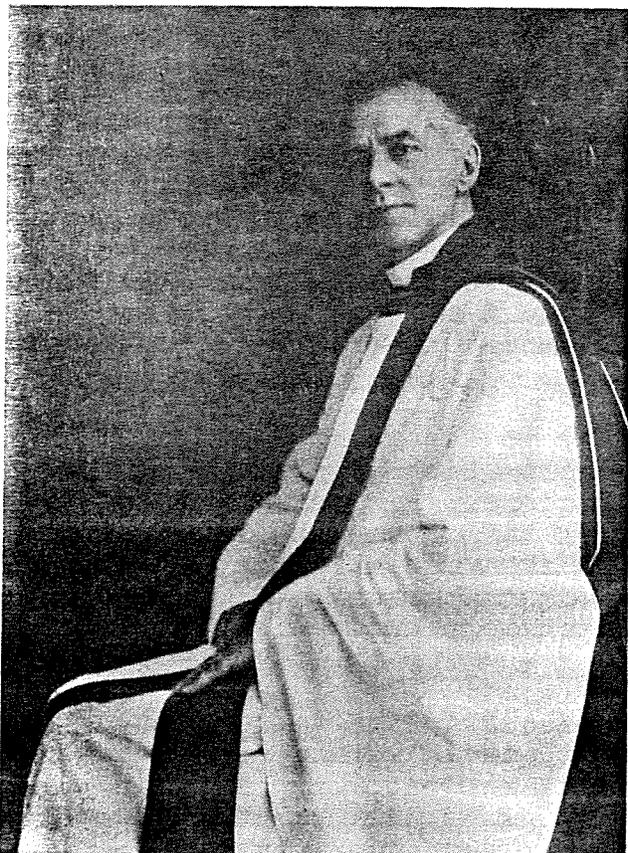
The venerable Canon, who was so prominent in the early days of St. Mark's Church and who was held in great esteem by the members and by the citizens of the Town, was born in the Township of Chinguacousy in the County of Peel in the year 1836. His parents were Samuel and Alice Henderson. When he was eleven years of age, the family moved westward and settled near London, Ontario. He received his education in the Towns of Ingersoll and Dundas at the Grammar School and in Trinity University, Toronto, where he graduated with a degree of Master of Arts.

Canon Henderson came to Orangeville to assume charge of the Parish on October 1st, 1861, his license from Bishop Strachan was for Mono and Orangeville and parts adjacent. His territory reached from Rosemount on the north to Erin Village on the south and from Albion on the east to Marsville on the west. Most of Canon Henderson's visiting journeys were done on horseback and he experienced the exposures and hardships that were common in that period to the pioneers.

Highways were few and so poorly constructed that often they were well-nigh impassable. In Amaranth there were scarcely any roads, and what existed were corduroy roads and uncovered at that. Services were held in the Schoolhouses, or in the humble log dwellings of the settlers. When Rev. Alexander Henderson came to Orangeville, the congregation of St. Mark's worshipped in a stone Church which was built on the site of the present one. In the year 1869, owing to the growing congregation, it was decided to build a new brick Church. In the same year, the young Rector married Miss Martha Taylor of Albion Township. She was intensely interested in the work of the Parish and was of invaluable assistance to her husband in the consecrated labour to which he had dedicated his life and energy. He was the first resident minister and purchased the house next to the Church for use as a Rectory. He was created a Canon in the year 1890.

After 40 years faithful service in the Parish, due to failing strength he resigned in the year 1902. The Rectory was purchased from Canon Henderson in 1903 for the sum of \$1500. Although not in the actual service of the Parish, he interested himself in the work of his beloved Church.

A fitting farewell and Supper was given in the Town Hall on October 17th, 1902, where he received tributes to his work in the Parish, and was presented with a purse of gold. Martha Henderson, the wife of the beloved Canon, predeceased her husband, being laid to rest in the year 1907. Seven years after the death of his wife, he too passed into the rest reserved for the saints; his remains were lovingly taken to the Forest Lawn Cemetery, where he was placed beside the woman who in her life had for so many years laboured with him in the Parish.



The Rev. George A. Rix

The Rev. George A. Rix, M.A. D.D. of the Church of the Redeemer, Toronto, succeeded Canon Henderson in 1901 and remained until 1913. During his rectorship the church was redecorated. Some time after he left Orangeville to go to the Canadian West, The Rev. Rix was made Bishop of Caledonia.

In a letter dated May 4th, 1945, written from Vancouver by his son Alexander G. Rix to Miss Adelia Hulse, he tells of the passing of their mother and their father.

Upon being informed by radio of the death of their Bishop, hundreds of Indians from widely scattered villages along the British Columbia coast hastened to Prince Rupert. They assembled in a park near the funeral parlour and held a memorial service; they filed past the casket for a last farewell, and an Indian band played as the funeral

procession made its way from the cathedral to the docks for the boat trip to Vancouver. It was a touching tribute of a loving people for their beloved Bishop of Caledonia.

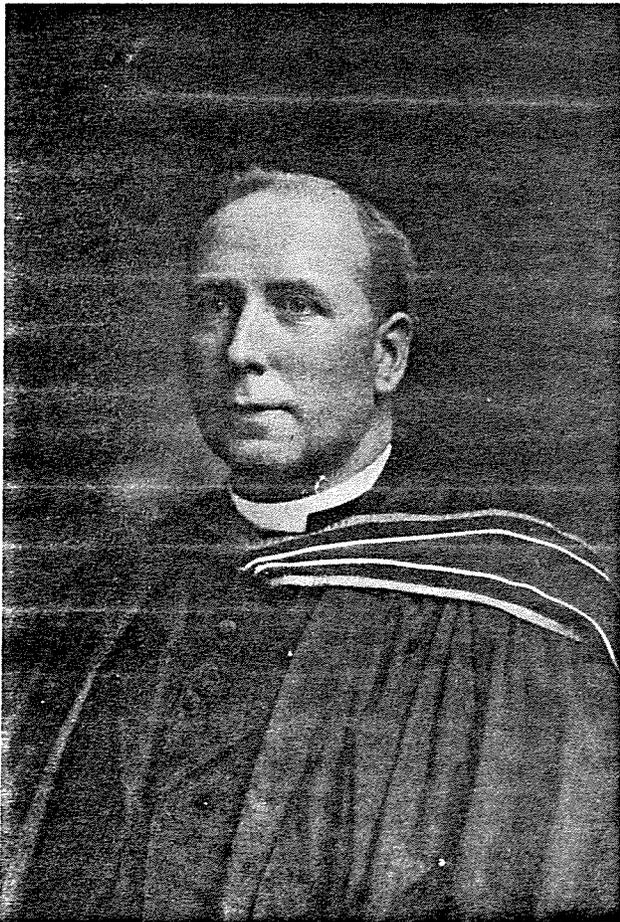
REV. G. A. RIX

During the historic year of 1902, when Canada was joining with Britain in rejoicing over the Coronation of their sovereigns, King Edward the Seventh and Queen Alexandra, Rev. G. A. Rix was appointed to be the Rector of St. Mark's.

Rev. G. A. Rix was born in the County of Simcoe in the year 1866, a short distance from the Town of Barrie. He received his education in the Schools of the County, and obtained a Teacher's license at the High School. After teaching for two years, he decided to enter the ministry of the Church of England, and enrolled as a student at Wycliffe College, Toronto. He graduated in the year 1894 and was appointed to the Mission of Cannington and Beaverton, which in two years after the commencement of his ministry, became a self supporting Parish.

After four years of ministry in this community, he accepted an invitation from the wealthy congregation of the Church of the Redeemer, Bloor Street, Toronto, where he was an Assistant to Rev. Septimus Jones, a position which he held for four years. It was with regret that the congregation learned of his decision to accept the Rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Orangeville. Although his first service was in February, he did not assume charge of the Parish until March 1902.

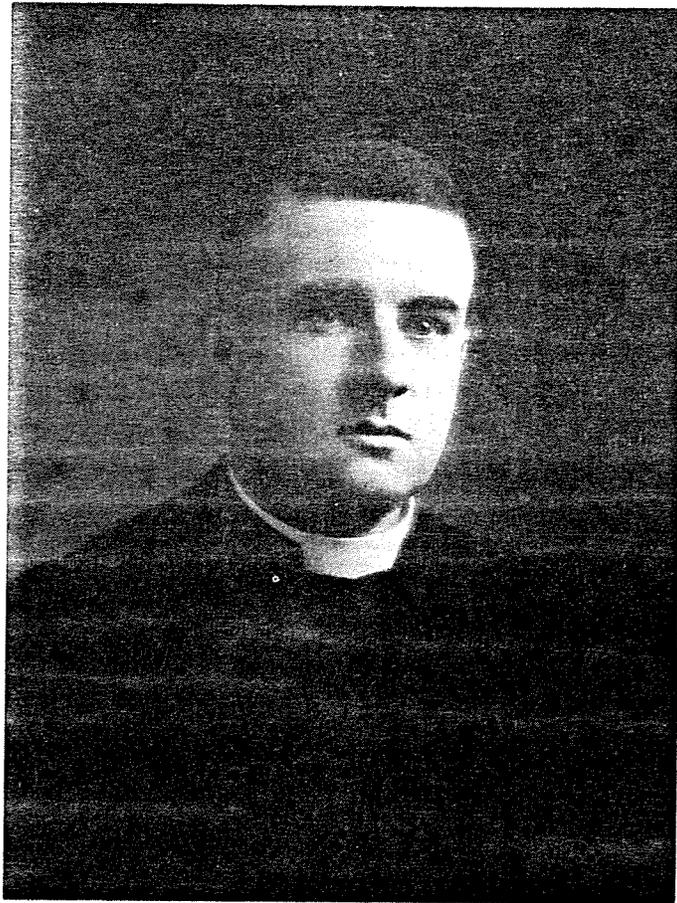
Rev. G. A. Rix was married in October 1890 to Miss Sadie Gillespie, the daughter of Dr. D. Gillespie of Cannington. In his first evening service held in St. Mark's, he took as the theme of his sermon Hebrews 2, verse 3 "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation..." He laid stress on the importance of salvation, illustrating his address by saying that a harbour to be really valuable, it must possess a wide sweep and be capable of refuge for all the vessels which may be in the vicinity. The walls must rest on sure foundations, the salvation that God offers was wide enough for all. After leaving the historic Parish of St. Mark's he became the Bishop of Caledonia.



The Rev. George W. Tebbs

At St. Mark's, the Rev. George W. Tebbs served from 1913 to 1915. During his term, the pipe organ was installed at a cost of \$2100, of which amount the late Andrew Carnegie gave \$1,000. One might say "Old organs never die" since our former pipe organ was sold to St. George's Anglican Church in Harrison, and is still in use, together with its high double back, carved organ bench; the latter matches the former St. Mark's Sanctuary chairs, which now grace the Rector's dining-room.

During Mr. Tebb's term at a Christmas Service a surpliced chair appeared for the first time in St. Mark's. Mr. Tebbs had the sad duty in 1914 to bury Canon Henderson, beloved Rector of St. Mark's for 40 years. He had lived for 12 years after his retirement and is buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery.



The Rev. Arthur H. Howitt

THE REVEREND ARTHUR H. HOWITT, 1915-1918

Arthur Howitt was Rector during most of the years of World War 1 when 60 young men from St. Mark's saw service in the armed forces and in the defence of freedom. It was in Mr. Howitt's time that the Altar, Communion Rails, Reredos and Missal Stand were given by Mrs. J. McCarthy. The Chancel was also completed by the addition of choir stalls and a hardwood floor given by Dr. Thomas Henry and his brother-in-law in memory of their parents. Mr. Howitt moved from Orangeville to Newfoundland.

THE REVEREND FREDERICK ELEY, 1918-1919

Mr. Eley's rectorship was just after the First World War and was quite short. He conducted the Vestry meeting for that year when the total receipts were \$3,007.65. According to the Vestry report some repairs were made to the Rectory and to the Church building. There was also a summary of the War Committee work as of March 31, 1919. During the war 24 boxes were sent to England, 36 to France, 1 to Russia, and 4 to soldiers in Canada and the U.S.A.



THE REV. THOMAS H. STEWART, 1919-1922

A Rector of St. Mark's Church in the post war years from 1919 to 1922, Dr. Stewart had a very distinguished career. Born in New Brunswick, he graduated from the University of Toronto with B. A. M.A., and B.D. degrees. In the year 1947 he received the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

A veteran of two world wars, he served under Brigadier Colonel D. C. Draper, and in World War 1, he was twice wounded and was decorated with the Military Cross at Passchendale. In the second world war he served overseas with the Canadian Army as a Senior Chaplain with a rank of Lieutenant Colonel and was four years in Great Britain.

During his ministry in the Anglican Church he served for three years in St. Mark's Church, Orangeville; leaving St. Mark's he went to St. George's Church, Hamilton, the Old Stone Church in St. John, New Brunswick, and St. Luke's, Palermo.

For several years he served as Senior Chaplain at Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto. Leaving there he became the Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Bronte, where he ministered for four years until his death.



THE REVEREND JOHN W. McDONALD, 1922-1929

Canon McDonald was the last Rector to live in the old Rectory which had been purchased from Canon Henderson upon his retirement in 1901. As the house was quite old and in need of extensive repairs it was decided by the Vestry to pull the old one down and erect a new one. The men of the parish assisted in every way they could with this major job. The plans for the new Rectory were adopted from a Rectory in Willowdale. The plans are still in the Church safe and very little detail has changed from the original except for modernizing the kitchen and upstairs bathroom. The pantry on the main floor was turned into a wash-room. It is interesting to note, in this day of higher prices, that the cost of building the new Rectory in 1929 was \$4,600.

Canon McDonald went to St. George's in Hamilton before completion of the Rectory and so never had the opportunity to live in it. He had served faithfully as Rector for 7 years. He is now retired and living in Hamilton where he continues to serve the Church as Honorary Assistant at St. Stephen's Church on the Mountain. Canon McDonald's daughter Eileen lived in Orangeville with her two brothers and she is now Mrs. E.A. Colquhaun and the Diocesan President of the Anglican Church Women. Mrs. J.W. McDonald died in 1965.



THE REVEREND HERBERT ALEXANDER WEST McMASTER, 1929-1951

In November 1929 Herbert Alexander West McMaster came as Rector from St. John's Church in Winora and was the first to live in the new Rectory. He served for 22 years and died shortly after his retirement in 1951. His time as Rector is second only to Canon Henderson's who was Rector for 40 years.

In 1933 he was elected chairman of the Children's Aid Society for Dufferin County and also appointed Chaplain of the Peel and Dufferin Regiment. In 1935 he was elected and appointed Rural Dean of Wellington Deanery.

For thirty years the interior of the Church had been untouched and had become very shabby and badly in need of repairs. In June 1931, a special meeting was called to consider the possibility of raising sufficient funds to undertake the needed work, but in view of the worldwide depression and the economic conditions of the time, it was considered not the opportune time to collect the amount that would be required to do the work that must be undertaken. The condition of the Church, however becoming rapidly worse and the coming of the Hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Church and Parish again brought the attention of the people to this greatly needed task and at the Annual Meeting on January 20th, 1936, it was unanimously agreed that the Wardens and Advisory Board should undertake a canvas of the congregation to raise the money, and to call for tenders for the undercoating and renovation.

Encouraged by the gift of \$1,000 from the Parish Guild, the work was approved by the members of the Church and the tenders received were satisfactory, it was decided to immediately go ahead with the work. The Church was closed on Sunday, June 13th and the services held in the Hall of the Public Library.

All the old pews were torn out, rebuilt and replaced so that a six foot centre aisle and two three foot aisles were made. The floors repaired, sanded and repainted, the Sanctuary floors were sanded, polished and refinished, the woodwork in the body of the Church was cleaned and the pews grained to match the lovely Chancel fittings. The Organ was moved back from its place in the Church to the Former Vestry, while the console that had stood in the centre of the Church was moved to where the Organ had formerly stood.

Walls and ceilings were beautifully decorated, the lighting system modernized, eight bronze lamps were placed in the Nave of the Church (lamps that could be dimmed to any desired degree) while concealed lighting was placed in the Chancel. Heavy blue carpets were laid with care in the Nave, Chancel and Sanctuary with blue Communion Cushions, while a blue drape was made for the Organ.

A lovely Memorial to the men who had fallen in the Great War of 1914-1918 was placed on the Chancel wall with a small pilot light above it, and the Lion of St. Mark painted at a distance nearer the ceiling. A new Vestry was built downstairs with a stairway to the Chancel, new storage and woodshed space, a new Coal Bin was built on the north side of the Church, two new wash-rooms installed, the basement was decorated and relighted. Several

memorial gifts were given, a new stained glass window, a lovely Altar Cross, Oak Pulpit, fine Oak Offertory Plates, Oak Hymn Boards, an Oak Hymn Board for the Choir, Book Marks and a new Font cover, thus again by these lovely gifts given in memory of their loved ones who had passed to the Church Invisible was made more beautiful.

When completed, the Church was formally opened for Divine Worship by the Bishop of Niagara on Sunday Evening September 6th, 1936 and its appearance presented one of the most beautiful Town Churches in the Province and a fitting thank-offering to God for One Hundred years of successful work in the Parish. A credit to the minister, the congregation and a worthy monument to the men, who in the early years had labored so faithfully and endured the hardships of the pioneer life that we in this generation might enjoy the comforts of such a lovely Church as St. Mark's.

Several years later the Rector was made a Canon by the Bishop of Niagara, truly a very high honour to St. Mark's and the Town of Orangeville. A Carillon was installed in the Tower in honour of one of the departed members of the congregation and a War Memorial has been placed near the front of the Church honouring those who lost their lives in the Second World War. The members looked forward with assured confidence that the Mighty Hand which has guided its destinies through the years would lead it to even richer years of service and blessing.

The grain of mustard seed sown by the beloved Seneca Ketchum has grown and become a tree with numerous branches scattered over the surrounding countryside with an influence that has proved to be work of God and in these days and times a haven of refuge. After over 100 years of continuous service, St. Mark's Church, after ye years of heavy debt due to the improvements etc. held a special service on Sunday, November 17th, 1946 to mark the burning of the mortgage. Mrs. George Cruikshank, a life long member of the congregation conducted the actual burning of the mortgage assisted by other members prominent in the various organizations of the Church.

The very fine memorial that was erected in the front of the Church grounds to immortalize the memory of those who fell on the field of battle in the Second World War bears the following inscription:

"To the Glory of God and in Memory of the men
who died in the Great War - 1939-1945"

then follow the names of the heroes;

Thomas Earl Goodeve, William James Hackett, Gordon Wilfred Harris, David Wesley Hambly, James McCauley Hunter, Robert Harold Jackson and Sidney Jessop.

Canon A. West McMaster retired at the Easter Season of 1951, his ministry lasted 22 years. At a meeting following a Mid-Week Lenten Service on March 21st, 1951, the congregation presented him with a cheque of \$1000. The presentation was made by Ed. Robinson who was a Church Warden for 50 years. Mrs. West McMaster was presented with a leather hand bag and a cash enclosure and a basket of lovely Roses. Mr. Harold Poppe, the Warden read the presentation address, Mrs. N. Trower, President of the W. A. spoke in appreciation of the work of Mrs. McMaster in the Church and Parish. Mrs. A. Mills made the presentation. The meeting came to a close with Miss Ethel Allen, Church Organist at the piano, leading the gathering in the singing of "blest be the tie that binds".

Canon West-McMaster as recalled by Miss Ethel Allen.

Canon West-McMaster was a familiar figure around town riding his bicycle to visit parishioners or to do his shopping. It wasn't unusual for him to drop in while people were still lingering over breakfast.

Canon McMaster had a fine sense of humour and was a great story teller. He and Mrs. McMaster and their daughter Joan enjoyed writing, both prose and poetry, some of which appeared in McLeans and other Canadian publications. Cantatas and pantomines performed at St. Mark's were of his creation.



THE REVEREND JOHN FRANCIS BARTLETT, 1951-1955

During the Second World War a young air force man was stationed at Mount Hope south of Hamilton. He became attracted to St. John's Church in Hamilton and to Archdeacon Holmes, the Rector. After the war this man studied in his home country of England for the ministry and was made a Deacon by the Bishop of Durham. He came to Canada a year later and was ordained priest by Bishop Bagnall. He became assistant at his old Church in Hamilton and in 1951 was appointed Rector of St. Mark's in Orangeville.

John Francis Bartlett or "Padre John" as he was called in the community soon became very well known for his dedication to the Church and his great love of people. He was active, in his four years as Rector, in community and civic affairs. During his time the Parish Hall was completely renovated and a one floor extension added to the north which contains new washrooms, a spacious kitchen, a choir room, and a large informal meeting room called the "Elizabeth Room". A new furnace and heating system and new lights were installed as well as a new entrance into the south-west corner of the Parish Hall. A new rear stairway up into the Church proper was also built. Mr. Reg Hoare had a very large part in this major undertaking and Mr. H.B. Church was chairman of the finance committee set up to finance the renovation work. The cost of this venture was estimated at about \$20,000 and at the time of the special meeting called to approve plans a sum of \$7,000 had already been raised. This was proof that St. Mark's people always respond to any worthwhile effort for the Church - in the parish, or the diocese, or the world.

Padre John was appointed the Diocesan Director of Christian Education for Niagara in 1955 and reluctantly left Orangeville after a ministry of four years. In 1960 he was appointed Rector of his old parish of St. John's in Hamilton and resigned only last year because of persistent back problems which have plagued him for over 10 years.

In 1965 he was made a Canon of Christ's Church Cathedral and he is now the Resident Chaplain to St. John's Convalescent Hospital in Newtonbrook, just north of the city of Toronto.



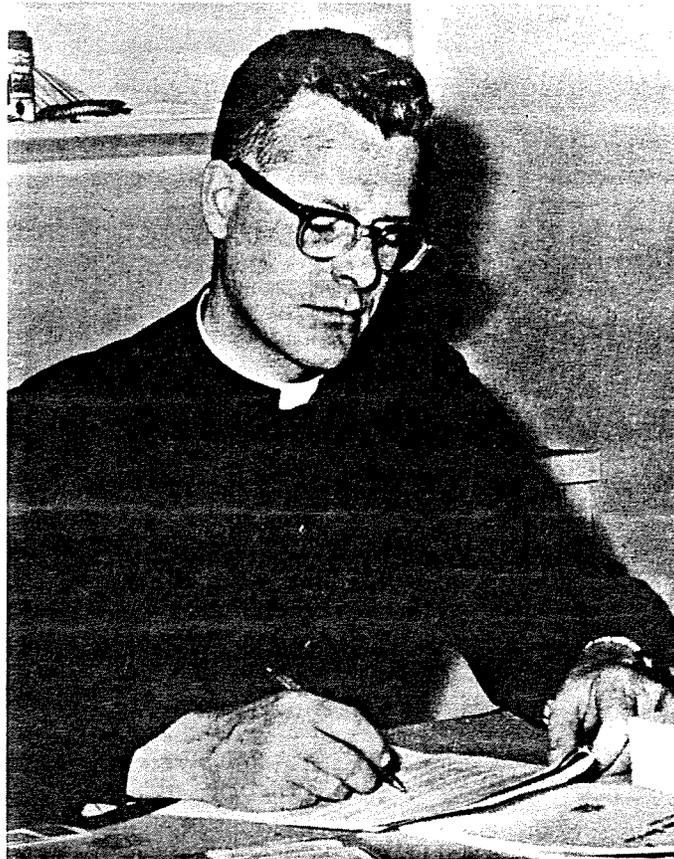
THE REVEREND DAVID JOHN WOELLER, 1955-1961

It seems to be a trend now that future Rectors of St. Marks come from the City of Hamilton. In 1955 David John Woeller came from St. Thomas Church in Hamilton and was immediately given the name of "Padre David". He had a fruitful ministry of six years during which time the new Christian Education Wing was built at a cost of \$30,000. This work completed the building to its present state and made St. Mark's, Orangeville one of the most complete "plants" in the Diocese. Padre David was also involved in community affairs and became known throughout the diocese and country for his interest and work in Christian Education and parish missions. He was instrumental in helping to join together, in a very successful and happy union, the Women's Auxiliary and the Parish Guild. Many parishes in the country today still function with divided women's groups and look to St.

Mark's for guidance in getting their women to work together in one harmonious group doing the total work of women in the parish, in the diocese, and in the world.

Padre David, with his family, moved to Montreal in 1961 where he became the Diocesan Director of Christian Education. He held this position with distinction until two years ago when he became the Director of Personnel for the Department of Missions of General Synod. In this position he is responsible for the hiring, training, and sending of persons to work in the name of the Church in various parts of the world. These persons include not only clergy but also teachers, doctors, nurses, technicians and agriculturalists.

Padre David lives in Toronto and travels extensively in this new and important work.

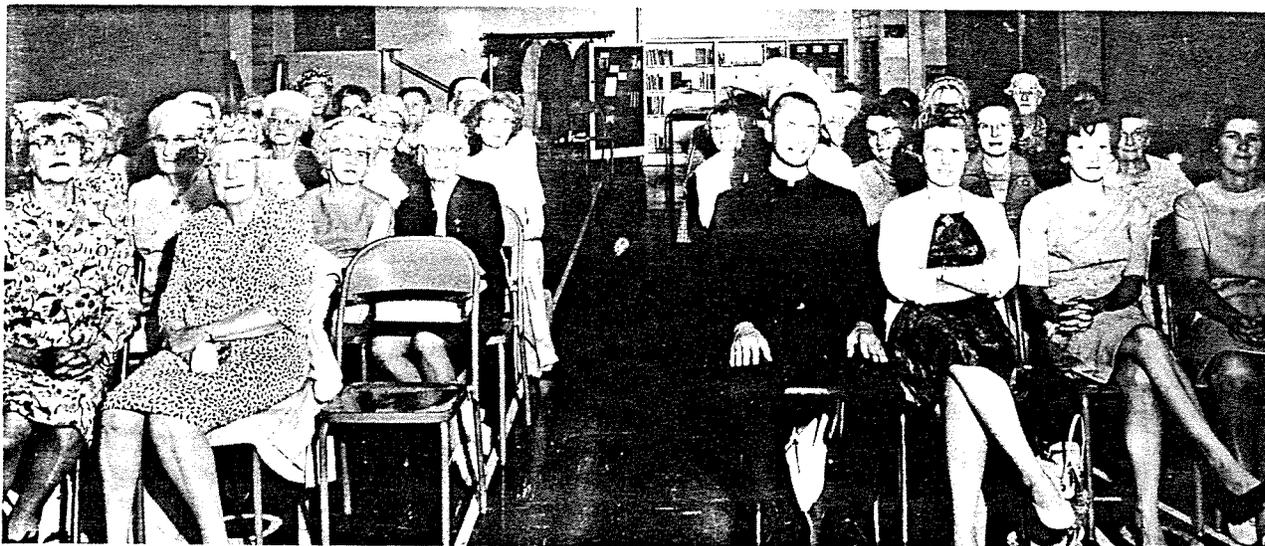


THE REVEREND ROBERT EDWARD FRASER BERRY, 1961-1963

Hamilton again supplied our next Rector in the person of Robert Edward Fraser Berry from St. Margaret's Church. His all too short ministry was one of faithfulness to the Church and its teaching. He was a careful teacher and counsellor to many, both lay person and priest. The services were adapted and changed to very much their present structure and St. Mark's now enjoys a prominent position in the Diocese for its interest in and promotion of liturgical worship. Many fine memorials were added in Father Berry's time such as a new chalice and ciboria and linens as well as the Sanctuary Lamp which burns continuously before the Altar to remind all of the Presence of our Blessed Lord in the Sacrament.

The interior walls of the Christian Education Wing were painted just before Father Berry left Orangeville to become Rector of St. Luke's Church in Winnipeg.

In September 1967 he moved with his family to Kelowna B.C. in the Diocese of Koatenay to become the Rector of St. Michael and All Angels.



The occasion - the annual June meeting of all Circles of the A.C.W. of St. Mark's. At this time Mrs. O. Whitfield was presented with a Life Membership. The Rev. J.D. Rathbone is shown in the front row.

THE REVEREND JOHN DAVID RATHBONE, 1963-

Our present Rector also came from Hamilton. He began St. Bartholomew's Church on the Mountain and after seeing it built and established came to Orangeville in May of 1963. He was formerly Rector of St. Alban's in Glen Williams from 1958 to 1960 where his interest in building saw the completion of the new Rectory which stands beside that lovely little Church on the banks of the Credit River.

John David Rathbone was born in Toronto and educated in public and high school there. In 1945, after two years with the British American Oil Company, he joined the firm of Ontario Automobile. He remained with them for 12 years with the exception of two years when he travelled on the road for National Motors. In 1954 he decided to test his vocation for the ministry and entered Trinity College for the five year course in arts and theology. In 1958 he was made Deacon by Bishop Bagnall in Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton and upon graduation in 1959 he was ordained priest in St. James' Church, Dundas. It was in his final year at Trinity that the Rectory was built in Glen Williams where he had been serving as Deacon-in-charge.

In 1965 it was decided after much discussion and searching, to proceed with the extensive work of renovating the exterior of St. Mark's. The old brick was badly deteriorated and a plastered brick veneer was chosen as the most suitable process to restore the then 97 year old building to a safer and more presentable appearance. This work was completed in ten weeks in the summer of 1965 and cost about \$13,000. Again St. Mark's people responded generously to this appeal for their Church.

In February of 1965 the interior walls of the Church were painted and, since the outside renovation work has been completed, much new landscaping and shrubbery planting has been done.

The work of Christian Education has advanced much in recent years and now classes of instruction are held on week days in addition to Sundays. The New Curriculum is taught and a staff of conscientious teachers work with the Rector in this important area.

One of the notable events in Father Rathbone's ministry was the ordination of Jacob Adam Seltzer on Trinity Sunday, June 5th, 1966, as a Deacon in the Church of God. Mr. Seltzer, having taught public school for 46 years, retired at the end of June 1966 and now as a Deacon has taken on a new role for the Church. Always active in Church matters Mr. Seltzer has been a lay reader in St. Mark's for a number of years. After four years of intensive reading and preparation the Bishop accepted him as a candidate for Holy Orders. It was a very happy occasion in the life of St. Mark's when the Assistant Bishop, the Rt. Reverend C.R.H. Wilkinson, ordained Jacob Adam Seltzer and Thomas Handy of Bronte as Deacons. Mr. Seltzer assists in many ways in the Services of the Church and in teaching in the Church School as well as giving of his time and wisdom and experience in the affairs of the Church.



This picture shows the executive members of the A.C.W. for 1967. Standing at the back are: Mrs. H. Wilson, Mrs. E. Armstrong, Mrs. E. Patterson, Mrs. E. Jessop, Mrs. P. Witten, Miss A. McFarland.
Seated: Mrs. J. Rathbone, Mrs. V. White, Mrs. C. Kallay, Miss M. Cluff, Mrs. G. Smith, Mrs. W. Naismith, Mrs. J. Woodland, Mrs. O. Whitfield.

THE RIGHT REV. THOMAS BROCK FULLER, D.D.
LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA (FIRST) 1875-1884



Orphaned at six years, he was adopted by his aunt and spent his early boyhood in the rectory at Chippawa with the Rev. and Mrs. W. Leeming. Educated at Grammar schools in Hamilton and Toronto.

1833 - ordained deacon by the Bishop of Quebec. curate at Lachine, Que.

1835 - ordained priest in St. James' Church in Toronto. Four years of missionary work in Kent and Lambton.

1840 - Rector of Thorold for 22 years. Underwrote almost the entire cost of building St. John's Church and forgave them their debt of \$11,000 when he left that parish to become rector of St. George's Toronto.

1852 - He proposed the new idea of employing Godly and earnest laymen as lay readers - duly licensed and under the direction of the bishop. The aging Bishop Strachan saw the need to

divide his vast diocese of Toronto. By 1857 the diocese of Huron was formed; in 1862 they set up the diocese of Ontario. In 1865 the Venerable Archdeacon Bethune, Archdeacon of Toronto, rector of Cobourg, was elected Coadjutor Bishop of Toronto.

1867 - Bethune was consecrated Bishop of Niagara in St. James' Cathedral on January 25th; he held this office only nine months. In November Bishop Strachan died and Bishop Bethune succeeded him as Bishop of Toronto. The funeral services were conducted by Archdeacon Bethune in St. James' Cathedral. Dr. Fuller was rector of St. George's, Toronto and archdeacon of Niagara Diocese (six counties - Haldimand, Lincoln, Welland, Wentworth, Halton, Wellington). An able organizer and administrator. He gave lavishly of his own money to the church.

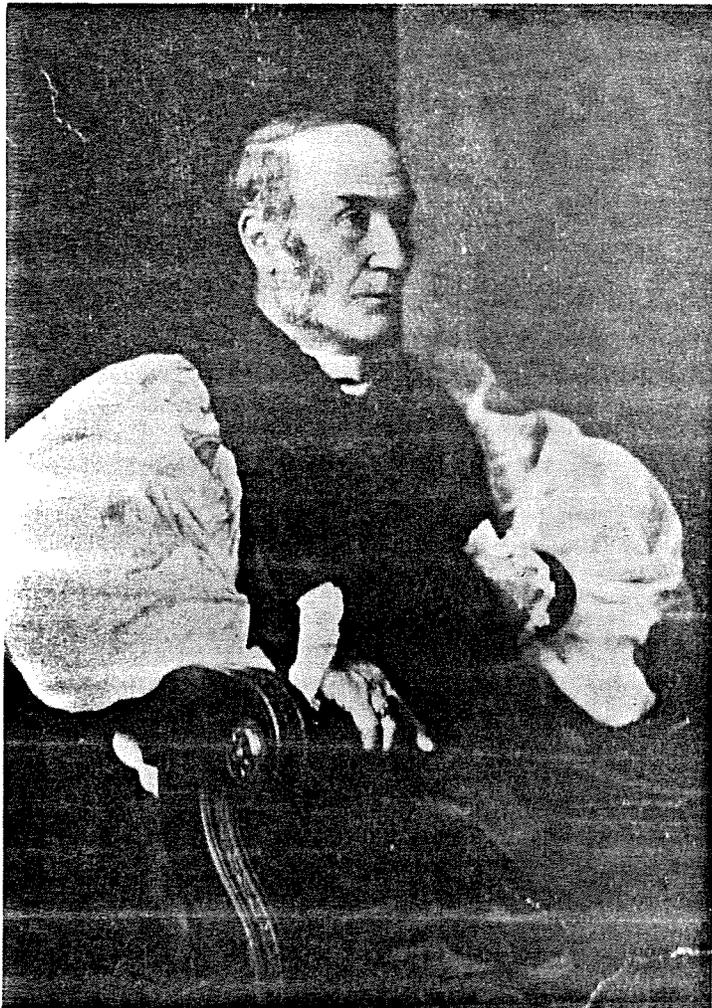
1875 - Consecrated on St. Philip's and St. James' Day, first of May, in St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton. (Christ Church was being enlarged and rebuilt to become a cathedral) The first bishop worked hard for unity.

THE RIGHT REV. CHARLES HAMILTON
LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA (SECOND) 1885-1896.



- 1834 - Born at Hawkesbury, on the Ottawa River.
- 1856 - B.A. University College, Oxford, England
- 1859 - M.A. University College, Oxford.
- 1858 - Ordained Deacon; ordained Priest by Bishop Mountain of Quebec. Curate of St. Peter's Church Quebec. Incumbent of St. Peter's Church, Quebec.
- 1864 - Rector of St. Matthew's, Quebec, which he served for over 20 years.
- 1861 - Elected Representative to First Provincial Synod; elected Clerical Secretary.
- 1882 - Elected Prolocutor of Provincial Synod.
- 1885 - Consecrated as Bishop of Niagara in the Cathedral at Fredericton, New Brunswick on May 1st. Welcomed in Hamilton a week later.
- 1891 - Stormy division in the church between the Memorialists (anti-ritualists) and those inclined to Romish character of worship. (high church); bitter anti-Rome demonstration in Church of Ascension at commencement of impressive service on Ascension Day. Bishop Hamilton tried hard to heal this disunity.
- 1896 - House of Bishops advised Bishop Hamilton to accept the call of the newly constituted Synod of Ottawa as their first Bishop.
- 1909 - Metropolitan of Canada (Seventh).
- 1914 - Resigned his high offices.
- 1918 - Died.

THE RIGHT REV. JOHN PHILLIP Du MOULIN
LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA (THIRD) 1896-1911



1836 - Born January 9th in Dublin, Ireland. Attended Trinity College, Dublin.

1862 - Emigrated to Canada to serve in the Diocese of Huron. Curate of St. John's, London Township. Curate at Galt, at Trinity, Montreal, at St. James' Montreal.

1871 - Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Hamilton. Elected by Provincial Synod as first Bishop of Algoma but declined.

1875 - Rector of St. Martin's Church in Montreal

1882 - Rector of St. James' Cathedral in Toronto.

1896 - Elected Bishop of Niagara. Consecrated on St. John Baptist's Day June 24th. A strenuous life of travelling about the Diocese by rail and horse drawn carriage over difficult roads. Established a reputation as a compelling preacher and orator; frequently in request as speaker in churches and at great conventions throughout Canada and the United States.

Consecrated 13 churches including the Cathedral, which were freed of debt by their congregations.

An advocate and loyal supporter of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen.

Condemned any departure by the clergy from established Church Order, devised to suit the solemn occasion to move God's people in God's House, in God's presence, to appeal to the consciences of the worshippers that they do good unto all men.

Cherished the dream of establishing a Church House in the See City.

1911 - Died on 29th of March.

THE RIGHT REV. WILLIAM REID CHARK, D.D.
LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA (FOURTH) 1911-1925.



1876 - Rector in Palmerston, Ontario.
Built the church there.

1886-1903 Hon. Clerical Secretary of Synod.

1897-1911 Registrar.

1903-1911 Secretary-Treasurer of Niagara Diocese.
For more than 20 years Rector of Ancaster.
Notable Assistant to Bishop Du Moulin.

1911 - Elected and enthroned as Bishop of Niagara.
Bishop Clark said:
"World War I has come to purge us of our national sins - intemperance, impurity, dishonesty, love of pleasure, ease and wealth, of the fraud, graft and political

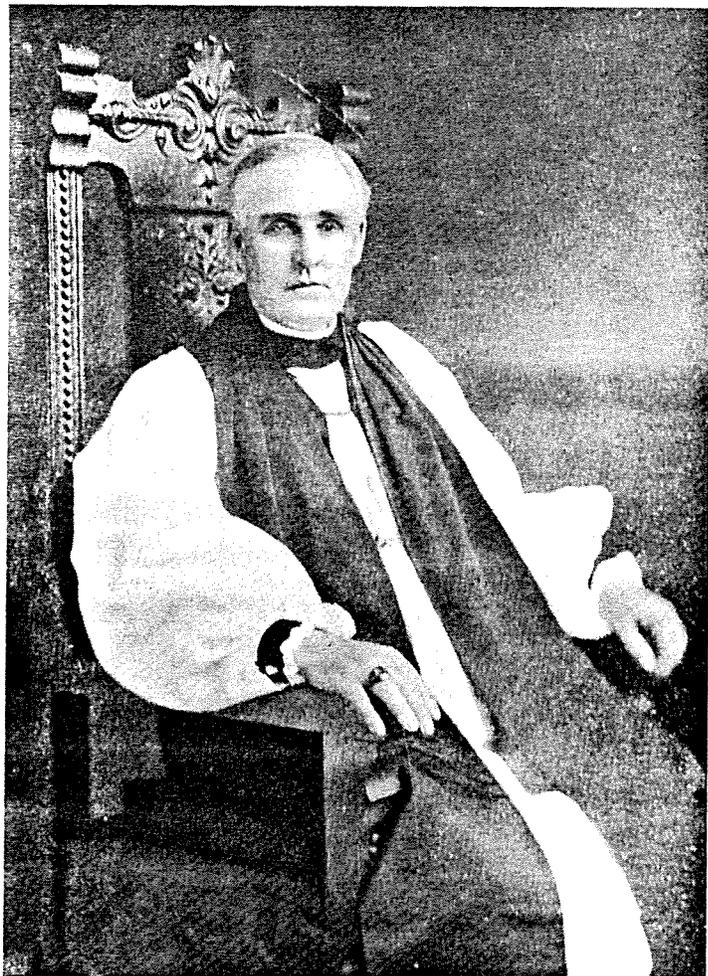
corruption which are destroying our vitality. It has come to deplete us of our wealth and to compel us to live a simple life, to prove our faith and test our devotion to God, and to make us a more devout and Christian people."

1917 - Address of welcome to the Duke of Devonshire, Governor General of Canada.

1921 - During 10 years in office Bishop Clark ordained 31 deacons, 22 priests, confirmed 10,000 persons, consecrated 8 churches, saw membership grow from 38,000 to 50,000 souls.

1925 - March 29th, great service at Cathedral when enlarged chancel was consecrated, the memorial organ dedicated and the war memorial unveiled. Three weeks later Bishop Clark was dead.

THE RIGHT REV. DERWYN TREVOR OWEN, D.D.
LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA (FIFTH) 1925-1932.



- 1876 - Born in Twickenham, England, July 29th.
- 1882 - Came to a farm near Brandon, Manitoba; later to Gore's Landing on Rice Lake, Ontario.
- 1900 - Graduated from Trinity College, Toronto. Curate at "All Hallows", Barking, London, Eng.
- 1902 - Curate of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto.
- 1910 - Rector at Holy Trinity Church in Toronto.
- 1914 - Rector at Christ's Church Cathedral in Hamilton. Dean of the Diocese of Niagara for 11 years.

1925 - Enthroned Bishop of Niagara on June 24th, the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist at Christ's Church Cathedral in Hamilton, Ontario.

1931 - Doctor of Divinity, Wycliffe College, Toronto

1937 - Doctor of Divinity, University of King's College Nova Scotia.

1945 - L.L.D., Occidental University, Los Angeles, California.

1946 - D.D. St. John's College, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

1932 - Elected Bishop of Toronto.

1934 - Elected Primate of All Canada (Sixth) with the title Archbishop of Toronto. Enthroned Primate in Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, Quebec.

1941 - Appointed to Episcopal Canonry of Gerizim in the Cathedral Collegiate Church of St. George the Martyr, Jerusalem

1947 - Died in Toronto, April 9th. Buried in St. John's Cemetery.

THE RIGHT REV. LEWIS WILMOT BOVELL BROUGHALL, D.D., LL.D.
LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA (SIXTH), 1933-1949



1876 - Born March 27th,
at Toronto, Ont.
Educated at Trinity
College School,
Port Hope, Ontario
and at University
of Trinity College
Toronto.

1899 - Ordained Deacon in
the Church of God
on Trinity Sunday,
May 28th in the
Cathedral Church of
St. Alban the
Martyr, Toronto,
Ontario.

1900 - Ordained Priest in
the Church of God
on Trinity Sunday,
June 10th.

1901 - 1903 Incumbent of
Hagersville, Ont.

1903 - 1905 Curate, All
Saints' South
Wimbleton.

1905 - 1907 Curate,
Church of St.
James, Toronto.

1907 - 1911 Rector of Oakville, Ontario.

1911 - 1916 Rector of St. George's, St. Catharines, Ontario.

1916 - 1925 Rector Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton.

1925 - 1933 Canon Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton.

1925 - 1933 Dean of Niagara.

1933 - Consecrated and enthroned Bishop of Niagara.

1949 - Resigned the See of Niagara.

1958 - Died August 30th, Buried in St. James' Cemetery in Toronto.

THE RIGHT REV. WALTER EDWARD BAGNALL D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.
LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA (SEVENTH) 1949 -



1904 - Born September 22nd
at Birr, King's
County in Ireland.
Educated at Birr
National School,
Masonic Secondary
School, Dublin.
University of
Western Ontario,
Huron College,
London, Ontario.

1927 - B.A. Western Uni-
versity.
L.Th. Huron College
London, Ontario.

1948 - D.D. University of
Western Ontario.

1954 - D.D. University of
Trinity College,
Toronto.

1959 - LL.D. McMaster U.
Hamilton, Ontario.

1927 - Ordained Deacon in
the Church of God
Whitsunday, June 5
in All Saints' Church
Windsor, Ontario.

1928 - Ordained Priest by the Most Rev. David Williams, Archbishop
of Huron, May 3rd in New St. Paul's Church in Woodstock.

1928 - 1930 Incumbent, St. Mark's Church, London.

1930 - 1936 Rector, St. John's Church, Preston, Ontario.

1932 - 1935 Rural Dean of Waterloo.

1936 - 1940 Rector of All Saints' Church, Hamilton, Ontario.

1940 - 1948 Rector of St. George's Church in St. Catharines.

1948 - 1949 Rector of Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton.

1948 - 1949 Dean of Niagara.

1949 - Consecrated Bishop in the Church of God, September 21st in
Christ's Church Cathedral, Hamilton and enthroned Lord
Bishop of Niagara.

THE MOST REV. HOWARD HEWLETT CLARK, D.D., D.C.L.
PRIMATE OF ALL CANADA (NINTH) 1959 -



- 1903 - Born April 23rd at MacLeod, Alberta. Educated at Public Schools in Toronto and Thorold; at Thorold High School and St. Catharines Collegiate Institute.
- 1930 - Trinity College, Toronto, Ontario.
- 1932 - B.A., University of Toronto.
- 1945 - D.D., University of Trinity College in Toronto.
- 1955 - D.D., University of Emmanuel, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.
- 1959 - D.D., St. John's College, Winnipeg. D.D., Huron College London, Ontario.
- 1960 - D.D., Anglican Theological College of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C. D.D., Wycliffe College in Toronto.
- 1930 - Ordained Deacon in St. Matthew's Church, Ottawa on Third Sunday after Easter.
- 1932 - Ordained Priest in St. Alban's Church, Ottawa on St. John the Baptist's Day.
- 1932 - 1938 Assistant Curate Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa.
- 1938 - 1939 Priest-in-charge, Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa.
- 1939 - 1953 Rector, Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa, Ontario.
- 1941 - Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa, Ontario.
- 1945 - Dean of Ottawa.
- 1953 - Elected to the See of Edmonton, Alberta.
- 1954 - Consecrated Bishop in All Saint's Cathedral, Edmonton. Enthroned Bishop of Edmonton (Fourth).
- 1959 - Elected Primate of All Canada by the Electoral College of General Synod assembled in St. George's Church, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec
- 1959 - Appointed to the Episcopal Canonry of Pisgah in the Cathedral Collegiate Church of St. George the Matyr, Jerusalem.
- 1959 - Archbishop of Edmonton (Second).
- 1961 - Metropolitan of Rupert's Land (Seventh) Archbishop of Rupert's Land (Seventh).

THE RT. REV. C. R. H. WILKINSON, M.A., D.D.



1900 - Born December 29th, in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, the son of the Rev. F. Wilkinson, one time Rector of St. Peter's Church in Toronto. The family moved to Toronto in 1906.

1924 - B.A. University College, Toronto.

1926 - M.A. University College, Toronto. Ordained priest. Served three summers as a missionary Teacher in the Diocese of the Yukon. In his final year at Wycliffe College, Canon Gould challenged him to offer himself for missionary service in India. Until then his knowledge of the work in India came from his membership in a boys' branch of the W.A. at St. Peter's Church under the leadership

of Miss Alice Stewart. He accepted the call, went to India, took charge of Harriet Buchanan Memorial School (enrollment of 70 boys).

1930 - Became Secretary-Treasurer of the Kangra Mission of the Canadian Church (now one deanery in the large Diocese of Amritsar in the Indian Punjab).

1942 - Made a Canon of Lahore Cathedral.

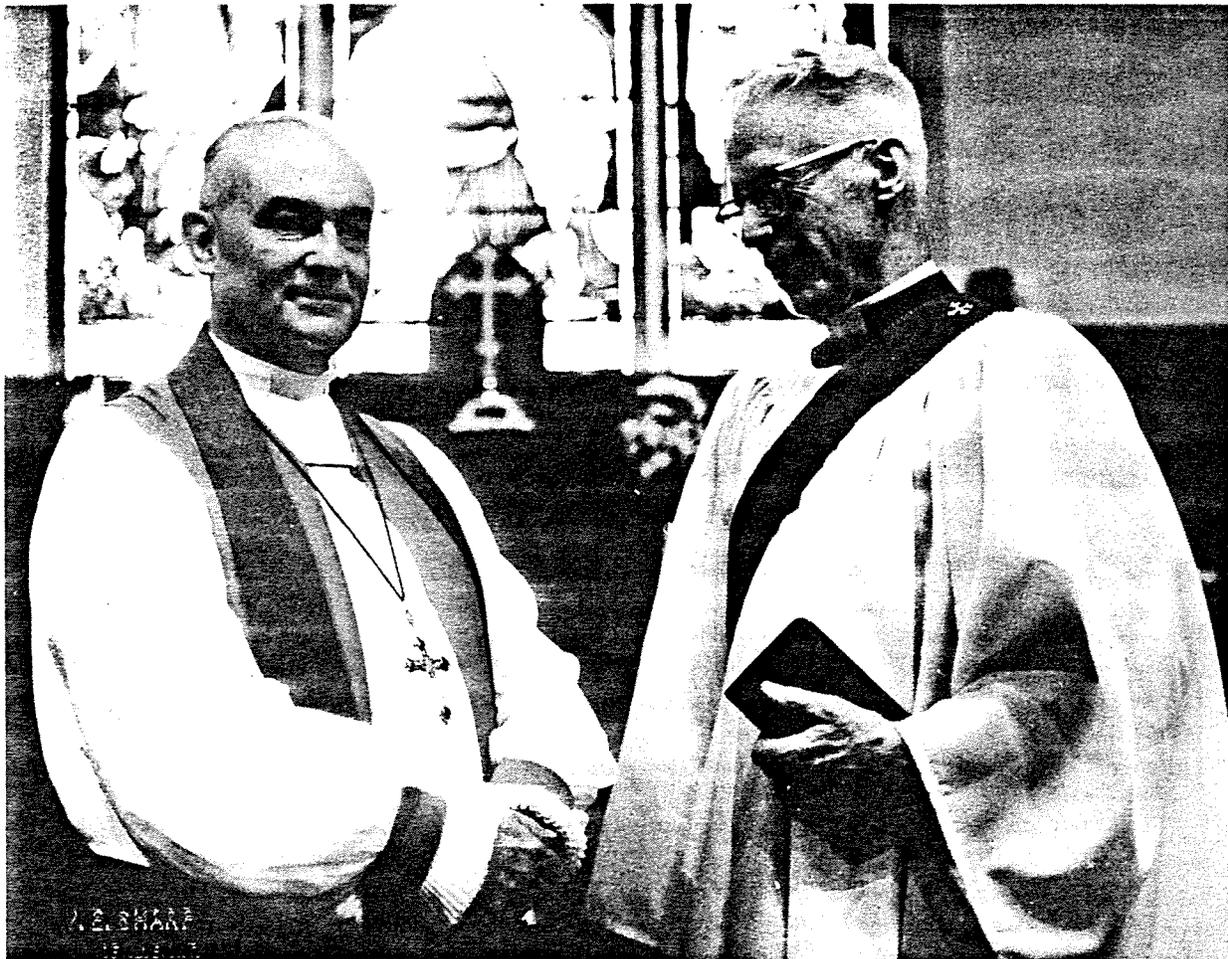
1949 - Archdeacon of East Punjab.

1950 - Consecrated Assistant Bishop of Lahore.

1953 - First Bishop of Amritsar, India. (This followed upon the division of India and Pakistan). Chairman of many Boards of many Institutions such as: The Bishop Cotton School for boys; Auckland House School for Girls; (both in Simla); The Tyndale Biscoe School for Srinagar in Kashmir, famous for producing leaders in all walks of life; The Ludhiana Hospital, situated in Amritsar

Diocese, is one of the two leading hospitals in India; Baring Union College at Batala, one of the few higher Christian Institutions in the State of the Punjab. Nothing gave him more personal satisfaction than to see "his boys" take their places as leaders in the Indian Church.

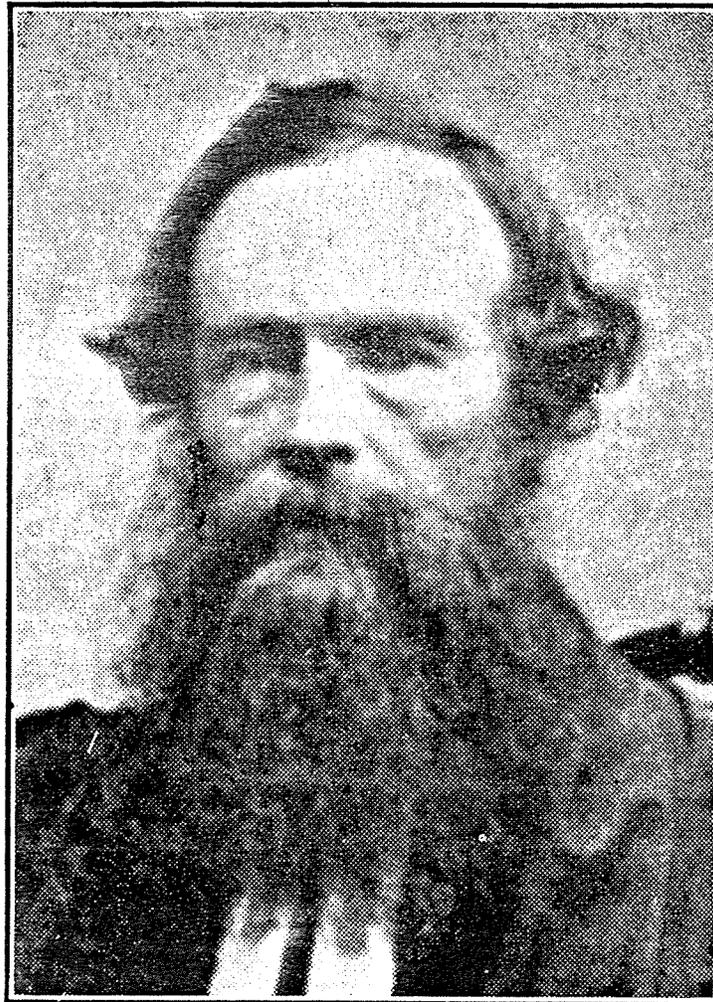
- 1959 - July 31st, resigned his position after 33 years of dedicated service.
In September Bishop and Mrs. Wilkinson returned to Canada. She is the daughter of the late Archbishop Stringer, formerly Bishop of the Yukon.
Their son Harold was born in Winnipeg; is an engineering graduate of Queens; was S.S. Superintendent in Niagara Falls in 1957.
- 1960 - Assitant Bishop of Niagara Diocese, throughout which he is well and favourably known and he and Mrs. Wilkinson are highly esteemed.
His borther is the Rt. Rev. F. H. Wilkinson, former Bishop of Toronto.



The Right Rev. C. R. Heber Wilkinson, Assistant Bishop of Niagara chats with the Rev. J. A. Seltzer after the ordination service held on June 5th, 1966.

EXCERPTS FROM ST. MARK'S CHURCH RECORDS

DIARY OF ADAM ELLIOT



March 29, 1833:

"I was informed by the inhabitants that the Archdeacon of York, Dr. Strachan, had visited and performed the first services of our Church in Mono, and they entertain feelings of gratitude for his kindness in visiting their remote township at so early a date."

April 21, 1833:

"As a house could not be obtained big enough for the congregation I performed Divine Service in the open air and had a pulpit made of the branches of evergreens. Ten children were baptised. It is ascertained that about forty families of church people live near together in the centre of Caledon. A number of young men also attended and I heard them read the New Testament."

July 12, 1833:

"I preached to about 400 people and baptised ten children in Mono. The Orangemen, who are very numerous in this part of the country, attended and it was on account of their annual meeting that so many of the inhabitants assembled."

Sept. 26th, 1835:

"Found travelling became exceedingly disagreeable on account of the extreme coldness of the weather and wetness of the roads. I proceeded to the Township of Mulmur. The roughness of the roads, a very sharp north wind and the occasional showers of sleet rendered the journey very disagreeable. These things, however, did not prevent a crowd of Episcopalians meeting in the house of Mr. Little, and sixteen children were baptised. After the services of the day were performed I visited an Indian encampment in the woods not far from the place where I preached. They were altogether ignorant of Christianity and miserable from a moral point of view. I had little conversation with them as no interpreter could be found."

Oct. 1st, 1835:

"In the evening I proceeded to Mr. Seneca Ketchum's and read prayers and preached the following day to twenty persons. Here, being particularly requested, I administered the Sacrament to three persons and two children were baptised."

Nov. 2nd, 1835:

"Travelling in the woods has lately become exceedingly difficult and disagreeable owing to rainy weather and the bad condition of the roads. I feel no disposition to complain, but rather to be thankful to the Giver of all good for the continuation of my health and for being able to attend the duties of my office. I have been greatly encouraged and cheered by the cordial kindness which I have received from all the settlers even in the remotest parts and wildest regions of the wilderness which I have visited."

ST. MARK'S VESTRY BOOK

1837:

Seneca Ketchum builds first St. Mark's Church of logs on first line, east. Mono.

1840:

Rev. H. B. Osler preaches at the Church.

1843:

Rev. Walter Stewart Darling appointed Missionary to Mono and adjacent parts.

1845:

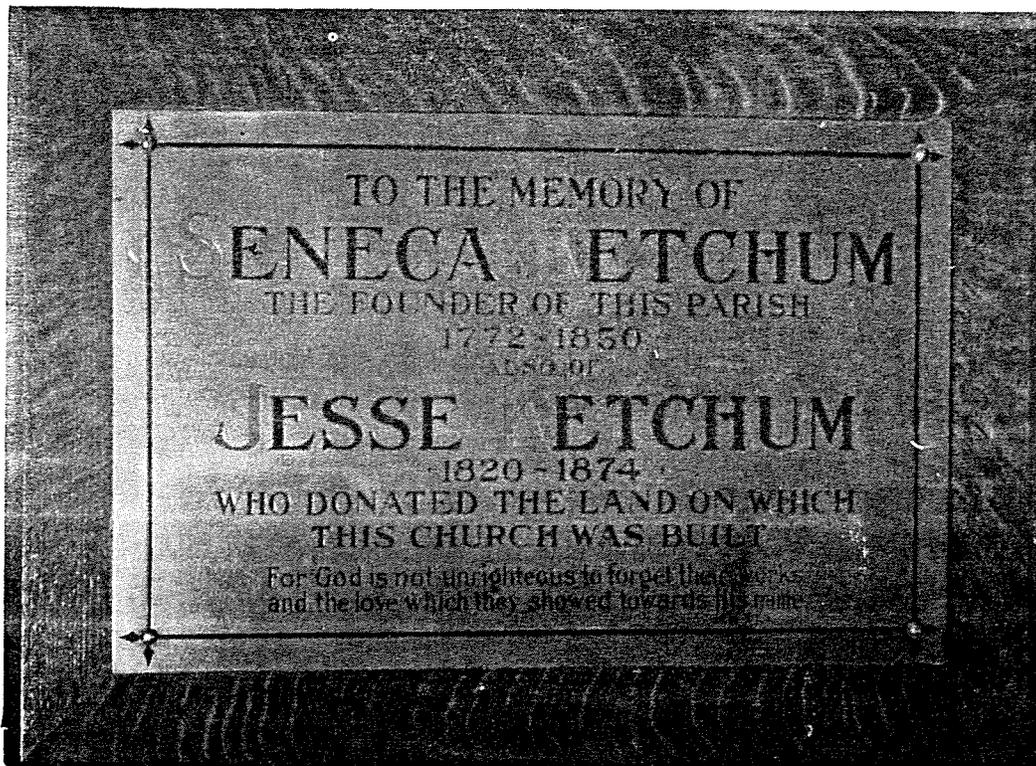
Rev. George Borne appointed Missionary.

1849:

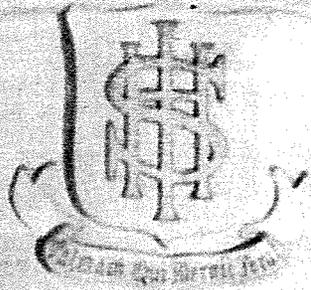
Rev. John Fletcher began work in the district, residing with Mr. Ketchum until Mr. Ketchum's death, when he moved to the first rectory at Melville.

June 4th, 1849:

Death of the great churchman, Seneca Ketchum.



- 1854: Second St. Mark's Church built, a small stone building on site of present church and name, St. Mark's transferred from log church to new stone building.
- 1856: Rev. J. VanLinge, M.A., appointed to succeed Rev. John Fletcher.
- 1861: Rev. Alexander Henderson appointed as first rector of St. Mark's Parish.
- 1864: First Vestry meeting recorded in present Vestry Book. Present: Francis Irwin, John Berwick, Francis McAuley, Thomas Bailey, John Ellis, John May, F. C. Stewart, Samuel Cruikshank, James Hamilton, J. W. Armstrong, George Little and Stephen Donner. Vestry Clerk F. C. Stewart. Income for year, 12-8-9 1/2 pence. Expended for 1 1/2 lbs. candles, one shilling.
- 1865: Thomas Mather appointed Sexton at salary of \$30.00 per year.
- 1868: A special Vestry Meeting called to decide whether to repair the old stone church, now too small, or build a new church. Vestry voted for a new building and appointed a building committee of Rev. Canon Henderson, M. McCarthy, F. McAuley, Thos. Bailey, F. Irwin. Mr. Irwin resigned shortly after and R. McKitrick was appointed in his place. The old church



TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN MEMORY OF
REVEREND CANON
ALEXANDER HENDERSON M.A.
WHO FOR FORTY YEARS, A.D. 1861-1901
LABORED FAITHFULLY AND DILIGENTLY
AS RECTOR OF THIS PARISH AND PIONEER
MISSIONARY IN THE SURROUNDING
COUNTIES. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL
IN BUILDING THIS AND SEVERAL OTHER
CHURCHES IN THE ADJOINING TOWNSHIPS
'THAT THEY MAY REST FROM THEIR LABORS
AND THEIR GOOD WORKS DO FOLLOW THEM'
ERECTED BY HIS FORMER PARISHIONERS
EASTER 1922

was torn down and the present church erected. While the church was being erected, services were held in Bell's Hall, which stood where the present Royal Bank building stands. It seems to have been a hall in the hotel there.

1870:

At annual Vestry, a motion by James Bennett and William Jackson that pews be free and pew rent abolished was carried, but evidently not put into force. Miss Pedlow appointed organist at yearly salary of \$15.00.

April 17, 1872:

At Annual Vestry, moved by R. McKitrick and James Bennett, that the Vestry, having the best interest of the church at heart, and believing that the appropriation by one clergyman of the whole income arising from the endowment of St. James' Church in the City of Toronto is not serving this interest, we petition the Synod at its next meeting to take recovery means to get a bill passed by our Legislature to amend this. Carried.

1874:

At Annual Vestry, moved by R. Baldwin and J.J. Clark, that a portion of the pews be rented at \$4.00 per sitting, to assist in raising minister's stipend. Pews to be rented -- all centre pews from stoves to chancel; all pews on North aisle from stoves to six pews from chancel, and all pews on South side from stoves to third pew from chancel. If two people desire to rent same pew the older member of the two to have preference.

1875:

That all pews on South side of South aisle be free, all the rest to be rented, and that the yearly auction of pews on Easter Monday be discontinued. That pew rent be \$20.00 per year per sitting; that members of the Church in the Village pay quarterly in advance and members in the Country pay yearly in advance. This motion was lost and it was decided that all members in the Village or Country pay quarterly in advance.

April, 1876:

Moved by Dr. Tuck and Henry Meredith, that the Wardens be asked to write to the Mission Board and ask permission to retain the quarterly collection. We wonder if the Mission Board agreed?

August 2, 1876:

Special Vestry called. Moved by R. C. Stewart and Isaac Richardson, that St. Mark's Vestry buy three or four acres of land for a burial ground. This was carried and the following gentlemen were appointed as a committee to meet the Town Council and Forest Lawn Cemetery Company to make such arrangements: John Armstrong, George Island, George Robinson, M. McCarthy, F. G. Poyntz and Joseph Leighton.

April 21st, 1875:

Grand Parlour Entertainment in Town Hall under lady patronesses: Mrs. Judge McCarthy, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Irwin and Mrs. Coyne. Musical and tableaux numbers by the Misses Ketchum, Miss Nellie Hewat, Miss Monro, Mr. Sawtell, Miss Haun and a farce, "Ici on Parle Francais" by W.R.C. Hewat, Miss B. Stewart, R.T. Musson, Miss Hall, George Scott, Miss Paisley and Miss A. Hewat.

Jan. 8, 1877:

Vestry called to authorize the Rector and Wardens to purchase two blocks in Forest Lawn Cemetery at \$5.00 per lot, named St. Mark's and St. John's, containing about four acres, and also to purchase the block named St. Paul's adjoining these blocks at \$10.00 per lot.

April 2, 1877:

Moved by G.A. Eastman and F. G. Poyntz, that the Sunday School hereafter appoint their own Secretary-Treasurer, receive and pay their own moneys and submit a yearly report to auditors appointed by the Vestry. Carried. Rev. Canon Henderson's stipend is mentioned at \$800.00 and was \$75.00 in arrears. Insurance had cost \$50.00 and wood for heating the church for the year, \$16.50 -- compare it with to-day!

April, 1878:

R.T. Haun appointed Treasurer to Parish and Wardens. Rector and Wardens instructed to purchase another block in Forest Lawn Cemetery at best terms possible.

1882:

W. James Carson appointed organ-blower at salary of \$10.00 per year.

April 6, 1885:

Moved by F. Irwin and Jas Robinson, that an Envelope System be adopted in the congregation as far as is practicable. Carried. Thos. Jones appointed Sexton at salary of \$100.00 a year, Sexton to cut and split wood, supply all oil for lamps, and chimneys, cut grass, look after church grounds and do other duties pertaining to a Sexton.

1886:

Rigby Swinton appointed Vestry Clerk. That Lady District Visitors be appointed as in the past year. That Wardens be at the church door each Sunday to show strangers and others to seats. That the Wardens be instructed to purchase prayer and hymn books for the use of strangers. Last payment of \$250.00 made on organ (not present organ). Church roof painted at cost of \$28.00.

1887:

Great storm blows down spire of the Church. Moved by John White and H. Endacott, that the Vestry have church spire rebuilt.

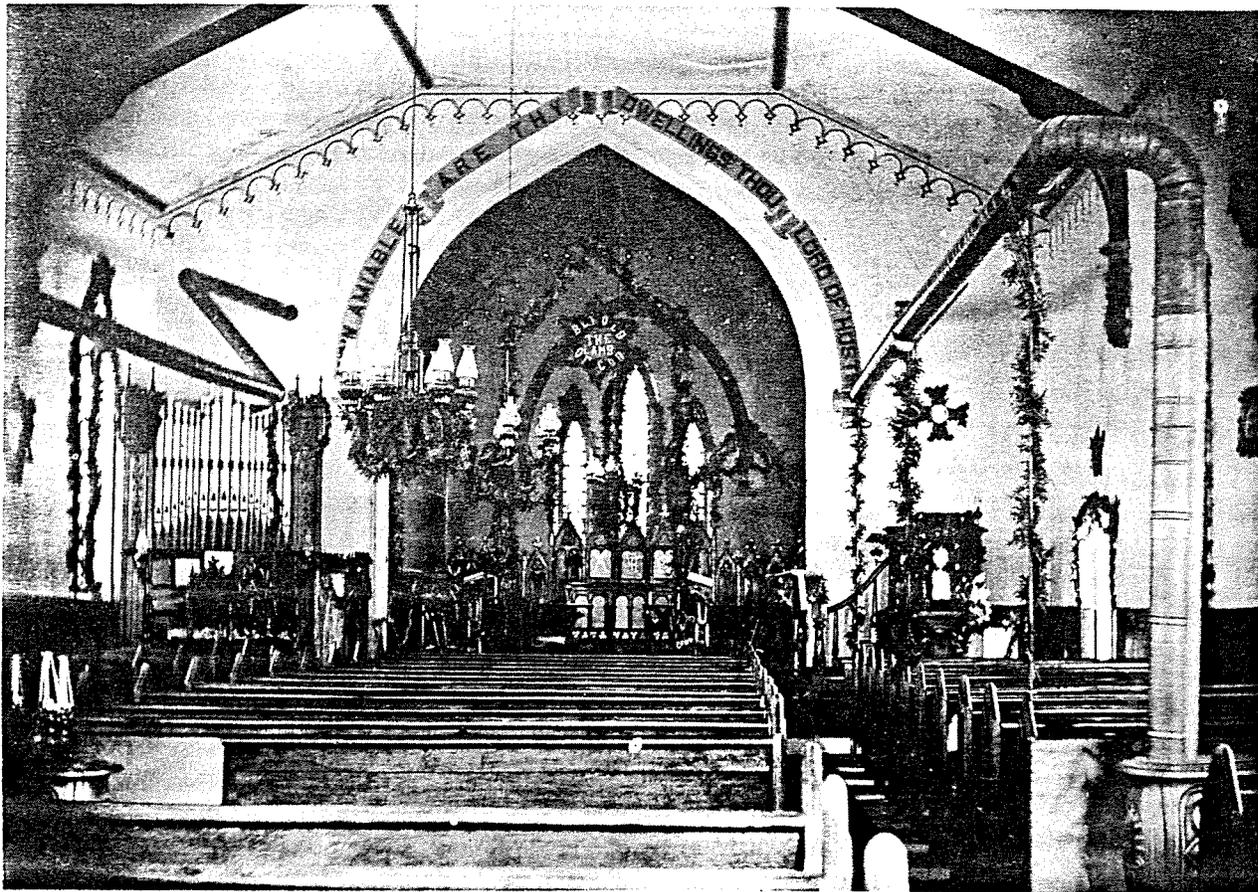
- 1891: George Endacott, Vestry Clerk and Treasurer. A committee of J.S. Leighton, George Robinson, George Island instructed to draft a memorial to the town council, requesting them not to permit the desecration of the Lord's Day by the running of trains through the town not permitted by law. In this year the present tower of the church was built at cost, according to the records, of \$460.00, the building committee responsible for the work being Dr. Thos. Henry, A. Collier, T. Donner and W.L. Walsh.
- 1893: John S. May appointed Vestry Clerk.
- 1894: Edmond Field appointed Sexton at a salary of \$130.00 per year. Miss Hewat and Mrs. H. Endacott appointed organists at a salary of \$30.00 each year, the ladies to take month about at the organ.
- 1895: Rev. J.A. Ballard appointed Curate to Canon Henderson, St. Mark's congregaion promising to pay the sum of \$500.00 per year towards his stipend.
- 1898: Henry Endacott appointed Vestry Clerk and Treasurer.
- 1899: Harry Field appointed organ-blower at \$12.00 per year. Mrs. H. Endacott appointed organist at a salary of \$60.00 per year. Miss Mary Ruth Shaw took over the orqan after Mrs. Endacott's retirement in 1904, until her marriage in 1915, when Mrs. J.Z. Henry was appointed organist and continued until 1928 when Mrs. Russell Morrow succeeded her. Mrs. Morrow resigned in 1931 and Miss Ethel Allen, the present organist of the church was appointed.

It is interesting to note that in a letter written by Canon Henderson in 1912 he mentions that Miss N. Hewat's father, the late Dr. Hewat, was one of the early organists of the church, playing on a little melodeon which the sexton carried back and forth from his house to the church and that Miss Riddall was given lessons on it, so that she might play when the doctor could not be at the service.

March, 1900:

At a meeting held on the evening of March 14th, it was decided to form a branch of the Girls' Friendly Society, which began with a membership of 33, the President being appointed by Canon Henderson.

At the foot of the Financial Statement for the year ending Easter, 1900, appeared this notice signed by the Church Wardens: "It will be seen that \$159 of Rev. Canon Henderson's stipend for the past year remains unpaid. By resolution of the Vestry we are instructed to raise the amount by special



Interior of St. Mark's Church before the turn of the century.



INTERIOR OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH IN CENTENNIAL YEAR 1937.

collection, towards which every member is earnestly asked to contribute and thus wipe out the disgrace which would justly attach to the congregation if we allowed this debt to our faithful minister to remain unpaid."

Jan. 3, 1902:

Moved by A.A. Hughson and J.H. Hulse, that the Lord Bishop of Niagara be requested to appoint Rev. G. A. Rix, of the Church to succeed Rev. Canon Henderson, who had resigned, stipend of the new rector to be \$1150.00. That the sum of \$100.00 a year for two years be paid to Rev. Canon Henderson as a retiring allowance. Congregation presented Canon Henderson with purse of gold at large gathering in Hall. Honour him for long years of ministry.

June 26th, 1902:

Special service in St. Mark's Church in honour of the coronation of King Edward the Seventh and Queen Alexandra.

Feb. 25, 1903:

A special Vestry was called to consider the purchase of the house owned by Rev. Canon Henderson for a Rectory, Canon Henderson agreeing to sell for the sum of \$1300.00. The Vestry approved the purchase.

April 4, 1904:

W.E. Irvine appointed Vestry Clerk and Treasurer.

April 16. 1906:

Vestry called to consider matter of needed church redecoration. On motion of A.A. Hughson and H. Endacott it was decided to have the Advisory Board proceed with the necessary work, cost not to exceed \$500.00. The Advisory Board consisted of the following gentlemen: Thos. Paul, Thos. Dawson, Dr. T.H. Henry, H. Endacott, Geo. Leighton, R. Allen, H. Shaw, Jos. Hulse, Thos. Robinson, J.A.V. Preston, M. Robinson, Beatty Lewis, W.E. Irvine, Rev. G.A. Rix.

1907:

Martha Henderson. wife of Canon Henderson, buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery on Aug. 3rd.

1908:

E.J. Darraugh appointed Vestry Clerk. H. Shaw appointed Treasurer.

1911:

Fred Atkinson appointed Vestry Clerk.

Easter, 1912:

Stipend \$1200. Rectory valued at \$1800. Mortgage on Rectory \$600. Taxes and interest on Rectory \$76.75. Organist Miss H.M. Hewat, salary \$75.00. Heating \$75.25. Dufferin Light and Power Co. electric light \$47.20. Sterling Bank. Dufferin Post, Sunday School receipts \$135.91. Woman's Auxiliary receipts \$254.40. Largest contributors Mr. A. Firth \$36.50 and Mr. Joseph Hulse \$35.50.



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ST MARK'S CHURCH

IN HONOUR OF
THOSE MEMBERS WHO
FELL IN THE GREAT WAR
1914-1918

HORACE AVERY ANDERSON
PERCY MELVIN BAILEY
THOMAS EARL HEWSON
WILLIAM HUNTER
ARNOLD MCKIM JACKSON
NORMAN ST CLAIR JONES
HARRY STEWART KEVIN
JOHN MCKITRICK
JACK H NEIL
GEORGE EDWARD ROBINSON
WELLINGTON HENRY SAUNDERS
HAROLD M TATES

THEIR NAME LIVES FOR EVERMORE

1913:

Number of contributors 153. Largest contributor, Mrs. McCarthy \$62.00. First surpliced choir introduced at Christmas.

1914:

R. Neilson appointed Secretary-Treasurer. On motion of E.H. Smith and H. Endacott the Advisory Board were instructed to proceed in purchase of a new pipe organ (present instrument) the old organ to be sold and proceeds used towards the purchase of the new one. Sold to Harriston for \$250 and is still used. Rev. Canon Henderson buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery on Sept. 17th, 1914.

Rev. George W. Tebbs. Rector. Total receipts for the year \$5228.76. Pine River Light and Power Co. 82.90. Good Friday collection for Jews \$4.30. Special Thank Offering \$154. Two cheques from A.Y.P.A. \$355.

Tuesday, April 6th, 1915:

The new organ, having been installed by Lye Brothers, formally accepted for use by the giving of an organ recital and musical, with Mr. Grenville B. Frost at the organ. The artists assisting at this service were Miss Myrtle Shaw, Miss Clara Hulse, Mr. Russell Morrow, Mr. W. Clowes, Miss Bessie Lewis, Mr. J.E. Jessop and St. Mark's choir. Cost of the organ, \$2100.00, Andrew Carnegie giving \$1000 towards this. T. Eaton Co. \$15. Mr. W. Irvine \$50. Judge McCarthy \$50. Girls' Auxiliary \$25. W.A. proceeds from autograph quilt \$100. Edmond Field, who had been Sexton since 1894, died this year and George King was appointed to succeed him. Mr. King resigned in 1928 and William Clowes was appointed.

1916:

J.D. Burpee appointed Vestry Clerk. On September 19th the altar and communion rails, reredos and book rests were installed in memory of Mrs. Jenny E. McCarthy by her husband. Judge McCarthy.

1917:

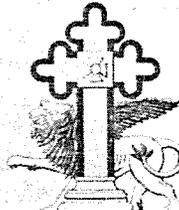
T.S. Little appointed Vestry Clerk, Miss G. Golden. Envelope Secretary. At this vestry meeting Col. J.A.V. Preston was welcomed back after his return from overseas, where sixty members of the congregation were either at the front or on their way there.

1918:

On June 2nd, the choir seats were dedicated by the late Bishop Clark, of Niagara, the stalls and hardwood floors being installed to complete the chancel. The stalls were presented by Dr. Thos. Henry and brother in memory of parents, Dr. James and Esther Henry.

1919:

Taxes \$68.58. Lumber for floor in Chancel \$105.90. Honour Roll \$18.65. Canadian Bank of Commerce, Horticultural Society and M.S.C.C. Victory Loan Bonds \$150. Six hymnals. C.V. Jeffers 10.50. Mr. E. Field. salary as Sexton \$135. Mrs. H. Endacott, salary as Organist \$60. Mr. H. Endacott. Treasurer.



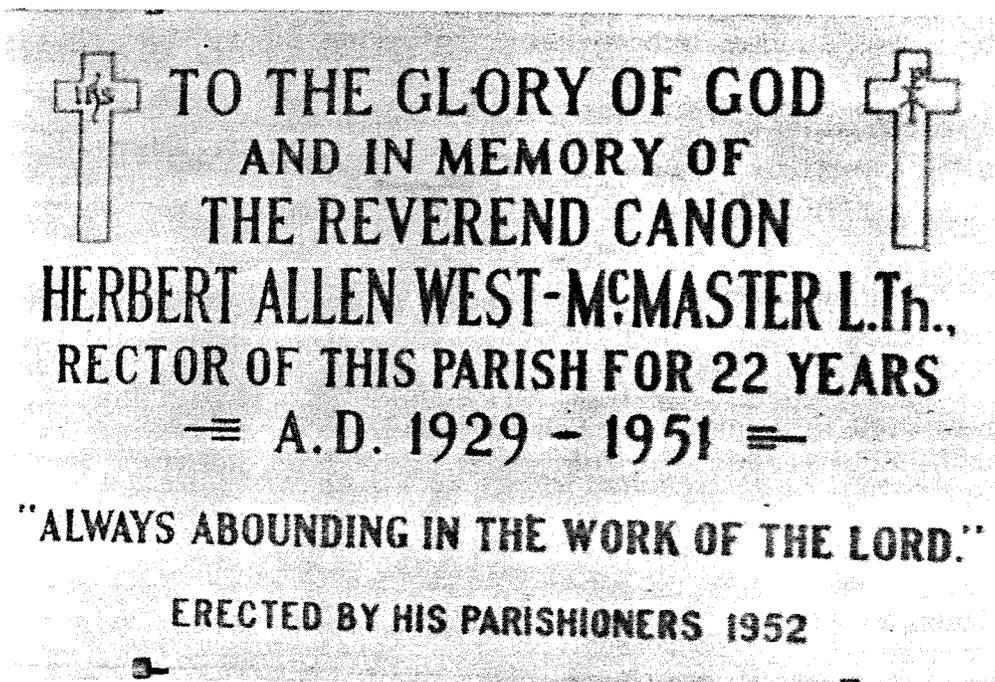
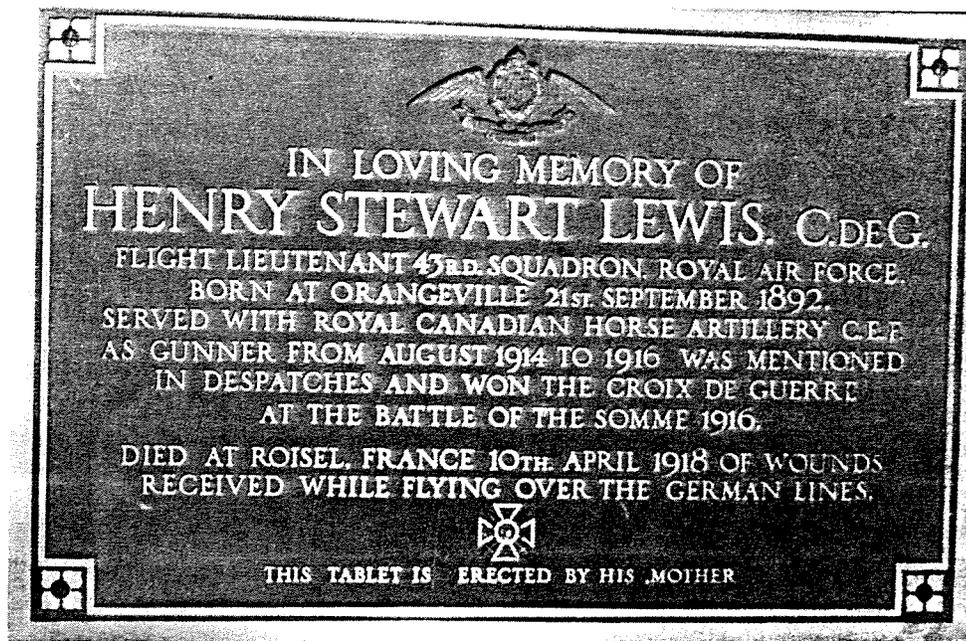
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1854 **ROLL OF WARDENS.** 1954

RECTOR'S WARDEN	PEOPLES WARDEN	RECTOR'S WARDEN	PEOPLES WARDEN
1851 JOS CARBERT	GEORGE MCMANUS	1904 THOS ROBINSON	H SHAW
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1853 GEORGE MCMANUS	THOMAS JACKSON	1906 THOS ROBINSON	H SHAW
1857 ABRAHAM MARTIN	DAVID HOEY	1907 THOMAS DAWSON	THOMAS PAUL
1858 ABRAHAM MARTIN	WILLIAM HEWAT MD	1908 THOMAS DAWSON	J H ANDERSON
1859 HUGH MORRISON	GEORGE IRWIN	1909 THOMAS DAWSON	J H ANDERSON
1860 DAVID HOEY		1910 J J LAVERTY	J H ANDERSON
1861 A MARCHAM		1911 J J LAVERTY	E H SMITH
1862 GEORGE MCMANUS	FRANCIS IRWIN	1912 J J LAVERTY	E H SMITH
1863 FRANCIS IRWIN	GEORGE MCMANUS	1913 E A ROBINSON	E H SMITH
1864 THOMAS BAILEY	FRANCIS IRWIN	1914 E A ROBINSON	W G HYLAND
1865 THOMAS BAILEY	FRANCIS IRWIN	1915 J C DARRAUGH	W G HYLAND
1866 THOMAS BAILEY	FRANCIS IRWIN	1916 J C DARRAUGH	J L ISLAND
1867 THOMAS BAILEY	FRANCIS IRWIN	1917 H F TOCK	E A ROBINSON
1868 THOMAS BAILEY	JOHN TILT	1918 J A V PRESTON	E A ROBINSON
1869 JOHN TILT	THOMAS DOYNTZ	1919 J A V PRESTON	H F TOCK
1870 JAMES BENNETT	THOMAS POYNTZ	1920 E HAGGETT	CAPT FIRTH
1871 JAMES BENNETT	R J M KITTRICK	1921 E HAGGETT	A R MILLS
1872 JOHN BENNETT	R R BALDWIN	1922 J Z HENRY	JOHN CAMERON
1873 JOHN BENNETT	R R BALDWIN	1923 CHAS LAMON	JOHN CAMERON
1874 SEPHA DONNER	R R BALDWIN	1924 CHAS LAMON	J H HUGHES
1875 SEPHA DONNER	FRANCIS IRWIN	1925 W O C AHERN	J H HUGHES
1876 M M C CARTHY	G A EASTMAN	1926 W O C AHERN	A R MILLS
1877 M M C CARTHY	G A EASTMAN	1927 G M FITZGERALD	A R MILLS
1878 M M C CARTHY	R T HAUN	1928 G M FITZGERALD	A R MILLS
1879 M M C CARTHY	R T HAUN	1929 W O C AHERN	A R MILLS
1880 M M C CARTHY	R T HAUN	1930 COL J A V PRESTON	A R MILLS
1881 M M C CARTHY	R T HAUN	1931 COL J A V PRESTON	A R MILLS
1882 JAMES HEWITT	R T HAUN	1932 J M AIKEN	A R MILLS
1883 JAMES HEWITT	W L WALSH	1933 J M AIKEN	G M CRUKSHANK
1884 F C STEWART	W L WALSH	1934 N N WARDLAW	G M CRUKSHANK
1885 F C STEWART	W L WALSH	1935 N N WARDLAW	MAYOR J R HOARE
1886 F C STEWART	ALFRED COLLIER	1936 A H WOODLAND	MAYOR J R HOARE
1887 F C STEWART	ALFRED COLLIER	1937 A H WOODLAND	J R HOARE
1888 H ENDACOTT	J S LEIGHTON	1938 JOSEPH LEWIS	H B CHURCH K C
1889 JAMES MAY	J S LEIGHTON	1939 JOSEPH LEWIS	H B CHURCH K C
1890 JAMES MAY	A TURNER	1940 H P DARRAUGH	G M CRUKSHANK
1891 JAMES MAY	A TURNER	1941 H P DARRAUGH	JACKSON HOLMES
1892 C ENDACOTT	W R HEWAT	1942 FRED KINGSHOTT	JACKSON HOLMES
1893 C ENDACOTT	R HEWITT	1943 FRED KINGSHOTT	JACKSON HOLMES
1894 C ENDACOTT	R HEWITT	1944 FRED KINGSHOTT	H C CRUKSHANK
1895 JOSEPH HULSE	DR THOS HENRY	1945 REG. KINGSHOTT	H C CRUKSHANK
1896 JOSEPH HULSE	DR THOS HENRY	1946 REG. KINGSHOTT	GEO CHRISTIE
1897 J C BROWN	DR THOS HENRY	1947 J C HUETHER	J C MATTHEWS
1898 JAMES HEWITT	E A ROBINSON	1948 J C HUETHER	O F ANDERSON
1899 JAMES HEWITT	E A ROBINSON	1949 R B LACREY	H. POPPE
1900 JAMES HEWITT	S LEE	1950 R B LACREY	G. BREDIN
1901 JOHN HOWARD	S LEE	1951 R B LACREY	C. BREDIN
1902 J HULSE	H SHAW	1952 J R HOARE	
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ST MARK'S CHURCH WAS FOUNDED BY SENECA KETCHUM IN 1837. THE RECORD OF WARDENS FROM THAT DATE UNTIL 1854 HAS BEEN LOST.

- 1920:
W.C. Hopkins appointed Envelope Secretary.
- 1921:
Garden Party proceeds \$114.94. 14 loads of earth \$8.40.
- 1922:
Salaries: Rev. T.H. Stewart \$1500.
Rev. J.W. McDonald \$300.
Miss R. Shaw, Organist \$75.
Mrs. J.Z. Henry, Organist \$75.
Mr. J.E. Jessop, Choirmaster \$300.
Mr. George King, Sexton \$225.
Expenses: Coal and wood \$194.
Water \$4.00
Telephone \$24.60
Taxes \$90.30
Fire Insurance \$96.
Repairing and tuning organ \$40.
Auto hire to Cookstown \$15.
Wine \$8.75
Good Friday collection for Jews \$10.92.
- 1923:
At a special Vestry on June 5th the thanks of the congregation were extended to Mr. Leigh McCarthy for having discharged the mortgage held by his late father on the rectory. Special collection to meet church debt, \$300.10. Superintendent of Sunday School Mr. E. Hackett, Secretary Treasurer, Mr. A.R. Mills.
- 1924:
Ontario Hydro Electric Power Commission \$29.10 plus \$14.10 for Garden Party.
Officers: Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. J.M. Aiken
Women's Auxiliary President, Mrs. E. Robinson
Sexton, Mr. W. A. Clowes \$225.
Girls' Auxiliary President, Miss Edith Robinson
Girls' Auxiliary Treasurer, Mrs. Mary L. Holmes
Auditors, Mr. W. O. C. Ahern and Mr. W. E. Irvine
- 1926:
Mr. E. Hackett appointed Vestry Clerk, a position which he held until 1940. Organists; Mrs. J.Z. Henry, Mrs. J. Russell Morrow, Miss Ethel Allen, Miss Lorna Bracken. Contributions to Grace Church, Arthur, Fire Fund \$92.15. Canadian Fire Insurance Co. and Western Assurance Co. coverage on Church buildings \$17000, on contents \$3000, on Rectory \$3050. St. Mark's Men's Club President, Mr. G.M. Fitzgerald.
- 1927:
Rector, Rev. J.W. McDonald, stipend \$1800. M.S.C.C. apportionment \$244. Diocesan apportionment \$276. G.B.R.E. apportionment \$18. Social Service apportionment \$26. Church Extension apportionment \$19.50. Lay delegates to Synod: Mr. W.J. Holmes, Mr. J. Russell Morrow, Col. J.A.V. Preston. Choir leader, Mr. W.A. Clowes.



July 17, 1928:

Special Vestry called to discuss question of either repairing and remodelling the old rectory or building a new one. After some debate it was decided to build an entirely new rectory on the plans of the Willowdale Rectory and at a cost of \$4600. A building committee was appointed of Rector J.W. McDonald, Wardens A.R. Mills and W. O'C. Ahern and Jas. Thompson, J.C. Huether and U.W. Christie.

1929:

The old rectory was torn down, the men of the congregation assisting in this work, and the new rectory built, being completed on Nov. 1st, when the recently appointed Rector, Rev. H.A. West-McMaster, and his family moved into the new home. On October 20th the sixtieth anniversary of the building of the present and third St. Mark's Church was celebrated, with the Lord Bishop as preacher. On Tuesday, Oct. 22nd. a banquet was held in the arena attended by over 400 guests, including the Bishop, former clergy and many outside friends. As a special thankoffering the exterior of the church was repaired, woodwork painted, 21 new windows installed and the shrubberies about the church grounds planted.

New Rectory Fund: Congregational subscriptions \$2243.50, St. Mark's Guild \$1000.00, Old Rectory material sold \$249, Sunday School donation \$35.00, Mortgage \$2000.00, George, Moorhouse, and King, architects \$175.00, Mr. Herb Hughes, Contractor \$4955.00, Electric range \$106.00, Furnace \$250. Organizations: Woman's Auxiliary, Girls' Auxiliary, Junior Auxiliary, Parish Guild, Sunday School, Little Helpers, Men's Club. St. Mark's Jubilee Fund subscriptions \$528.95. Mr. J. R. Pears, Choir Master, Mrs. J. Russell Morrow, Organist, Mr. W.A. Clowes, Sexton. Total receipts for the year \$3428.14.

1930:

Balance owing on Mortgage on Rectory \$1500. Lay Readers: Col. J.A.V. Preston, Mr. E. Hackett, Mr. J.M. Aiken, Major G.M. Fitzgerald, Mr. J.C. Huether, Mr. H.P. Darraugh.

1931:

June 29th, George and Mrs. Holmes celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Insurance on Church building increased to \$28000, organ \$2000, contents \$2000, Rectory \$5000. Total offerings for the year \$3407. Rector's stipend \$2000, Organist \$150, Choir Master \$150, Sexton \$225, Fuel cost \$373.35, Taxes and Water rates \$268.86, Insurance premiums \$245.31.

1933:

Additions to Lay Readers: Mr. M.A. McKitrick and Mr. B.S. Greene for a total of seven. Rev. H.A. West-McMaster appointed as Chaplain of the Peel and Dufferin Regiment. Peel and Dufferin Regiment, under command of Col. C.M. Corkett and with band, held first military church parade to St. Mark's Church, at which service the Town and County Councils attended.

1935:

Sunday School Collections \$114.98, Proceeds Christmas Concert \$34.18, Total apportionments \$546.00, Mr. M. McKitrick paid \$50.00 for Summer Relief for Rector. Oct. 16, Rev. H.A. West-McMaster elected Rural Dean of Wellington.

1936:

Church Wardens: Mr. J.R. Hoare, Mr. A.H. Woodland. Centennial Restoration Fund subscriptions \$1898.50, Guild donation \$1000. June 21st, St. Mark's closed until September 6th, for redecoration and renovation, services being held in the hall of the Public Library during this time. V.M. Stoneman, decorations, lighting, carpets, including basement \$1682.70, Vestry contract \$160, Woodshed \$65, Coal bin, \$20, Toilets \$160.85. Wiring and altering furnace pipes \$164.84, Sanding and resurfacing Chancel floor \$60, Lye Organ Co. \$246.40, Labour \$213.98, Screen for Memorial Window \$15, Hoover Co. \$81, Balance of Mortgage on Rectory, still \$900. The Guild paid \$100 on the principal and \$50 interest. Sunday Sept. 6th, St. Mark's Church opened for service by the Lord Bishop of Niagara, who dedicated many beautiful memorial gifts. In October, Major G.M. FitzGerald, Lay Reader in the Parish, appointed Colonel of the Peel and Dufferin Regiment, now the Lorne Scots.

1937:

In January, H.B. Church, Lay Delegate, honoured by a K.C. J.M. Aiken, Lay Reader and former Warden and Lay Delegate, appointed President of the newly organized Rotary Club. On January 24th, the Ven. Archdeacon F.G. Scott, M.A., D.C.L., D.S.O., C.M.G., of Quebec, "Canon Scott" to thousands of Veterans, preached at St. Mark's Church as the first of the Centennial year preachers. On the Monday evening addressed a gathering of laymen, returned men and others at the Wheeler Inn. The Guild paid another \$100 on the Rectory Mortgage and \$45 interest. Auditors: Mr R.B. Endacott and Mr. O.F. Anderson. Secretary Treasurer of Sunday School, Mr. Harold Cruickshank, President of Girls' Auxiliary, Miss Anna McFarland, Superintendent of the Junior Auxiliary, Mrs. H.A. McMaster.

1938:

Number of contributors by envelope. Fourteen parishioners contributed \$50 or more and thirtyone contributed \$25 or more. Total contributions \$3359.07.

1939:

The Guild paid \$100 of the principal and \$40 interest on Rectory Mortgage.

1940:

600 members, 478 confirmed. Mr. N.G. Trower, secretary treasurer of Bible Class.

1941:

Mr. Alvin Holmes, Sexton. Total receipts \$3668.85.

1942:

Sunday School Secretary Treasurer, Mr. A. Holmes. President of St. Mark's Guild, Mrs. E.A. Parsons, Treasurer of Guild, Mr. Meade Cruickshank. New Vestry Clerk, Mr. Gordon Bredin.

1943:

Envelope Secretary, Mr. John Hearder. Largest contributor, Mr. Fred Kingshott.

1944:

Dominion of Canada 3% Bonds held, \$1100. Four contributors who gave \$100 or more, 15 contributors who gave \$50 or more, 25 contributors who gave \$25 or more.

1945:

Receipts: Envelopes \$2047.34, specials \$2114.55, Open collection \$656.04, Kindergarten \$175. Total was \$4992.93. Savings Bonds at Canadian Bank of Commerce \$1450. 58 parishioners gave \$25 or more.

1946:

Auditors: Miss Edith Robinson, Miss Marforie Kidd. Envelope secretary, Mrs. Ewing Armstrong. Lay Representatives to Synod: Col. G.M. Fitzgerald, Col. J.A.V. Preston, Mr. H.B. Church, K.C. Secretary Treasurer of Sunday School, Mr. Hugh Greenis. Total contributions \$3803.50. Four who contributed over \$200, 7 who contributed over \$100, and 26 who contributed \$50 or more. Expenditures: Miss Ethel Allen Organist \$245, Mr. A. Holmes, Sexton \$368.75, Taxes \$356.21, Insurance \$146.16, Telephone \$42, Light \$43.82, Fuel \$642.58, Printing \$185.26.

EXTRACTS TAKEN FROM THE ANNUAL VESTRY MINUTES; ALWAYS HELD IN JANUARY

1949:

Financial Report showed a successful year. A bond for \$1000 had been bought, a credit balance of \$476.83. Moved and seconded that the printing of subscription lists be carried on. Carried. The Rector's stipend was raised \$200. Canon West-McMaster thanked Canon Simpson for his assistance at various times. A committee was appointed to arrange for the erection of a Memorial for members of St. Mark's who gave their lives in World War II, 1939-45.

1950:

Report showed 251 families and 40 individuals on the Church Roll, a total of 674 persons or 940 including children. Seventeen had passed on during the year, 16 had moved away from our parish, while 34 new members had been accepted. The Rector was granted a \$200 increase. 56 parishioners attended and signed the Roll.

1951:

Financial report was probably the best St. Mark's had ever had. Mr. G.M. Cruickshank was elected to fill out the term as Lay Delegate in place of the late Col. J.A.V. Preston. The minister's stipend was raised \$200. It was announced that the Rev. John Bartlett would take over Canon West-McMaster's duties at St. Mark's on Easter Sunday, 1951. 79 signed the Roll.

1954 ROLL OF WARDENS

RECTOR'S WARDEN

1954 GORDON BREDIN
1955 RUSSELL E. SELTZER
1956 VICTOR E. LARGE
1957 ROBERT V. BROYDEN
1958 ARTHUR R. HOARE
1959 ARTHUR R. HOARE
1960 VERYLE WHITE
1961 VERYLE WHITE
1962 JAMES J. WARDLAW
1963 HENRY STOUTLEY
1964 NORMAN C. HARKNESS
1965 NORMAN C. HARKNESS
1966 ELGIN STOTT
1967 ELGIN STOTT

PEOPLE'S WARDEN

RUSSELL E. SELTZER
VICTOR E. LARGE
ROBERT V. BROYDEN
ALBERT HORLOCK
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JAMES J. WARDLAW
HENRY STOUTLEY
J. H. HOLTBY
J. H. HOLTBY
ROBT. B. LACKEY
HAROLD R. SPEERS
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1952:

Envelope Secretary, Mr. O.F. Anderson. Remuneration \$30. Salary of Miss Ethel Allen, organist, be raised to \$40 per month. The matter of a parish hall and re-roofing the church was brought up. 69 attended the Vestry meeting.

1953:

Vestry approved the plans for the new Parish Hall as presented by Mr. Reg. Hoare, the estimated cost being \$20,000 and a direct campaign for funds was to be undertaken. A Memorial Plaque for the late Canon West-McMaster was also endorsed.

1954:

87 in attendance; among the newcomers appear the names of Dr. and Mrs. V.H.K. Moorhouse, Mr. Reg. Hoare and Mr. Gordon Bredin were returned as Wardens. Mr. Brownlee's revised plans for the proposed Church Hall were approved on motion of Mrs. Nettie Mills and Mrs. W. Hopkins.

1955:

Mr. R.B. Lackey was elected to succeed Mr. H.P. Darraugh as Vestry Clerk. A vote of appreciation to the Wardens for their work in completing the Church basement. Mr. Russell E. Seltzer was elected People's Warden by acclamation. Mr. Samuel Lackey, Superintendent reported on the state of the Sunday School.

1956:

Parish Dinner. 118 attended the Vestry Meeting. New Rector, the Rev. David Woeller. It was decided to engage a part-time secretary. Mrs. Bertha McCordick was first to serve. Rector's Warden, Mr. Victor Large, People's Warden, Mr. R.V. Broyden. Mr. R.E. Seltzer was thanked for having taken 15 services at St. Mark's and St. Chad's, Alton, during the period we were without a Rector.

1957:

Parish dinner prepared by the Parish Guild. Vestry Clerk, Mrs. Bertha McCordick. Special mention made by the Rector of: Mr. Edward Robinson for not having missed a Vestry meeting in 58 years, Mr. Peter Smith studying for the ministry at Huron College whose tuition fees are being paid by St. Mark's; Miss Margaret Lowe, working as Bishop's Messenger in Manitoba. Tribute paid to the following: The Presidents of the Organizations, Mr. Robert Broyden Jr., for weekly Church bulletins; Mrs. Isabel Wardlaw, Envelope Secretary, Miss Marion Emack and Mr. J.A. Seltzer, in charge of Christmas pageant; Mr. Jos. Huddleston Jr., representative Deanery Camp Committee, Mr. Samuel Tremain, visiting in hospital; Mr. Frank Fewster and Mr. Ed. Reid, 12 to 14 year old group; Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Armstrong, teen-age square dancers; Mrs. Arthur Hoare, in charge of Vacation Church School; Mrs. Gwen Lisk and Mrs. Betty Hughson, arranging flowers; Mr. Joe Mottart, solving heating problems; Mrs. Sal Ahern and Mrs. B. McCordick, secretaries; Mr. Elgin Stott, Sexton; Miss Ethel Allen, Choir Director and Organist. The Rector's Discretionary Fund was set up to aid needy persons who asked for help. Hereafter retiring wardens are to be presented by the Vestry with a copy of the Book of Common Prayer rather than asking



— TO THE GLORY OF GOD —



THIS PARISH HALL WAS ENLARGED AND BEAUTIFIED BY
 THE LABOURS AND DONATIONS OF THE PARISHIONERS
 AND BEQUESTS FROM THE ESTATES OF
 MARGARET ARMSTRONG · MARY CONN · ISABEL DICKINSON
 LAVINA THOMPSON · VERNET ARMSTRONG
 MEADE CRUIKSHANK · HARVEY MACADAM · RONALD LADD



— A. D. 1953 - 1955 —



THE HUNDRETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BUILDING OF ST. MARK'S ON THE PRESENT SITE. 1854-1954.

Standing: Mr. G. Bredin, Rector's Warden; Miss Ethel Allen, Organist; The Rev. John Bartlett, Rector; Canon McDonald, former Rector; Mrs. Nettie Mills; Mr. R. E. Seltzer, People's Warden.
 Seated: Mr. Ed. Robinson; Mrs. E. West-McMaster; Mrs. W. C. Hopkins; Mrs. McDonald; Mr. T. Hewston.
 (Mr. Thomas Hewston was the oldest living member of St. Mark's; Mr. Edward Robinson had not missed a vestry meeting in 50 years; Mrs. Nettie Mills taught for 50 years in St. Mark's Sunday School).

a newly elected warden to present the retiring warden as was the custom formerly. There was a successful Every-Member Visitation and Canvass.

1958:

98 persons attended the Parish Dinner and Vestry Meeting. The number claiming to be Anglican, 1355. Average number of Church and Church School attendance 396. A Boys' Choir had been organized with Mr. and Mrs. Murray Whipp and Mr. Ron Lindsay in charge. Church School has 21 teachers and officers. Chairman of Sidesmen, Mr. Russell Darwen, who did an excellent job. Envelope Secretary, Mrs. Mary Groves, Sacristan, Miss Betty Ann Jackson (Mrs. John Murray), Parish Guild Leader, Mrs. H. B. Church, Telephone Secretary, Miss Vera Robbins, Hospital visiting, Canon Simpson, Guild of St. Martha, Mrs. V. Moorhouse, Little Helpers, Mrs. Edna Large. Diocesan apportionment set for St. Mark's was \$3500. New curtains on tracks in the Parish Hall divided the area into classrooms but more space was required for the expanding Sunday School and Ladies' groups. Padre David Woeller urged the constructing of an Education Wing to provide adequate facilities for a growing congregation. Chairman of Stewardship, Mr. H.P. Darraugh. November financial Campaign was carried out.

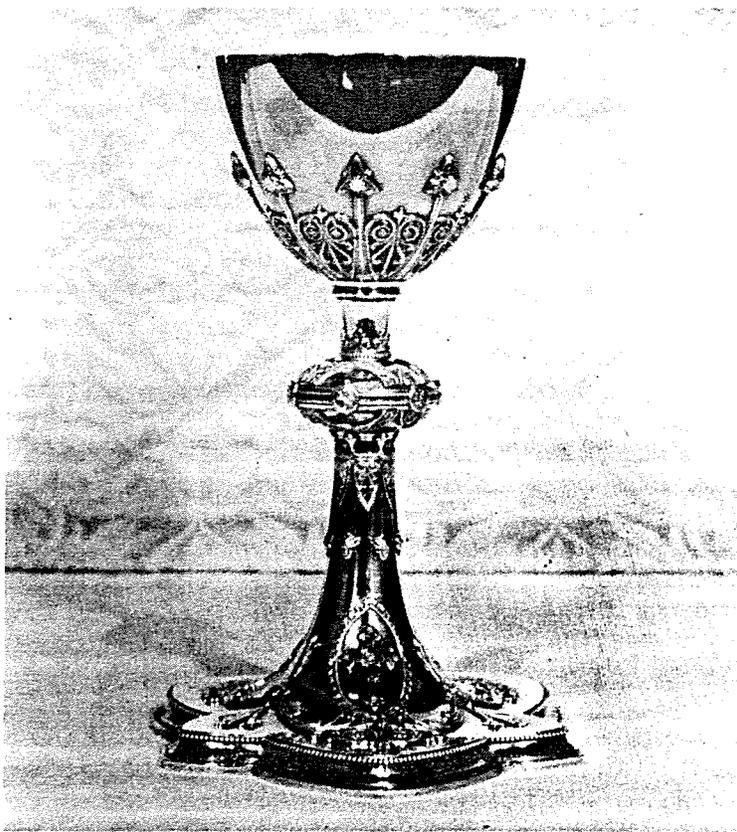
1959:

Padre David Woeller acknowledged with thanks the Memorial to Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Holmes of a Chancel Screen given by Mr. and Mrs. Veryle White. He pointed out with regret that there is still too great a difference between the number of people who are Anglicans and the average church attendance. The Rector reported that St. Chad's Parish Alton, had been turned over to the Parish of Erin by the Bishop. Mr. Norman Harkness became assistant to Mr. S.E. Lackey, Sunday School Superintendent. Mr. Albert Horlock, People's Warden, reported \$11,500 in the Building Fund. Mr. Arthur Hoare, Rector's Warden, reported an insurance coverage of \$150,000 which would enable us to replace the present building and contents. The premium would be approximately \$500 per year. Rev. David Woeller thanked among many others the boys in the Servers' Guild, Mr. S. Lackey and the 22 teachers of the Sunday School, Mrs. Eillen Watson and the 23 women of the Vacation Church School Staff, Miss Marion Emack and Mr. J.A. Seltzer for the production of a Christmas pageant, Miss Donna Miller and Mr. Bill Emigh for leadership of the A.Y.P.A., Mrs. H. Churchill and Mrs. H.B. Church and Mrs. V. Moorhouse "Circles" of the W.A. A Nominating Committee contacted people considered suitable for the various offices and obtained their consent to serve if elected, and presented these along with those nominated from the floor. Diocesan apportionment had increased from \$3200 to \$3850.

October 25, 1959:

Special meeting after morning service to put into effect the Sector Plan of Every-Member Visitation, to adopt the proposed budget for 1960 with an objective of \$28864. The key men in this project were: Mr. H.P. Darraugh, Stewardship Chairman, Mr. J.R. Hoare, Mr. R. Robinson, Mr. Russell Darwen and Mr. Palmer Barton.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM DR. RUSSELL WEBBER
OF WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT.



April 7th, 1925.

My dear Mr. McDonald:

I have just sent you by mail, the chalice and paten. On the customs slip, I valued them at \$20.00 in case there should be any question of payment of duty. That, I figured, would be about the value as silver for melting up. However, I feel that since there is no duty on ecclesiastical articles, I know there is none on such things entering this country.

I imagine that the chalice is quite old and of foreign origin. No jeweller here was able to tell whom it came from, from the bullmarks but I presume it is either Russian or Austrian. It was probably stolen by some refugee.

I trust the gift will arrive in time for Easter and assure you that it gives me a great deal of pleasure to find a home for it in St. Mark's Church.

Yours very truly,

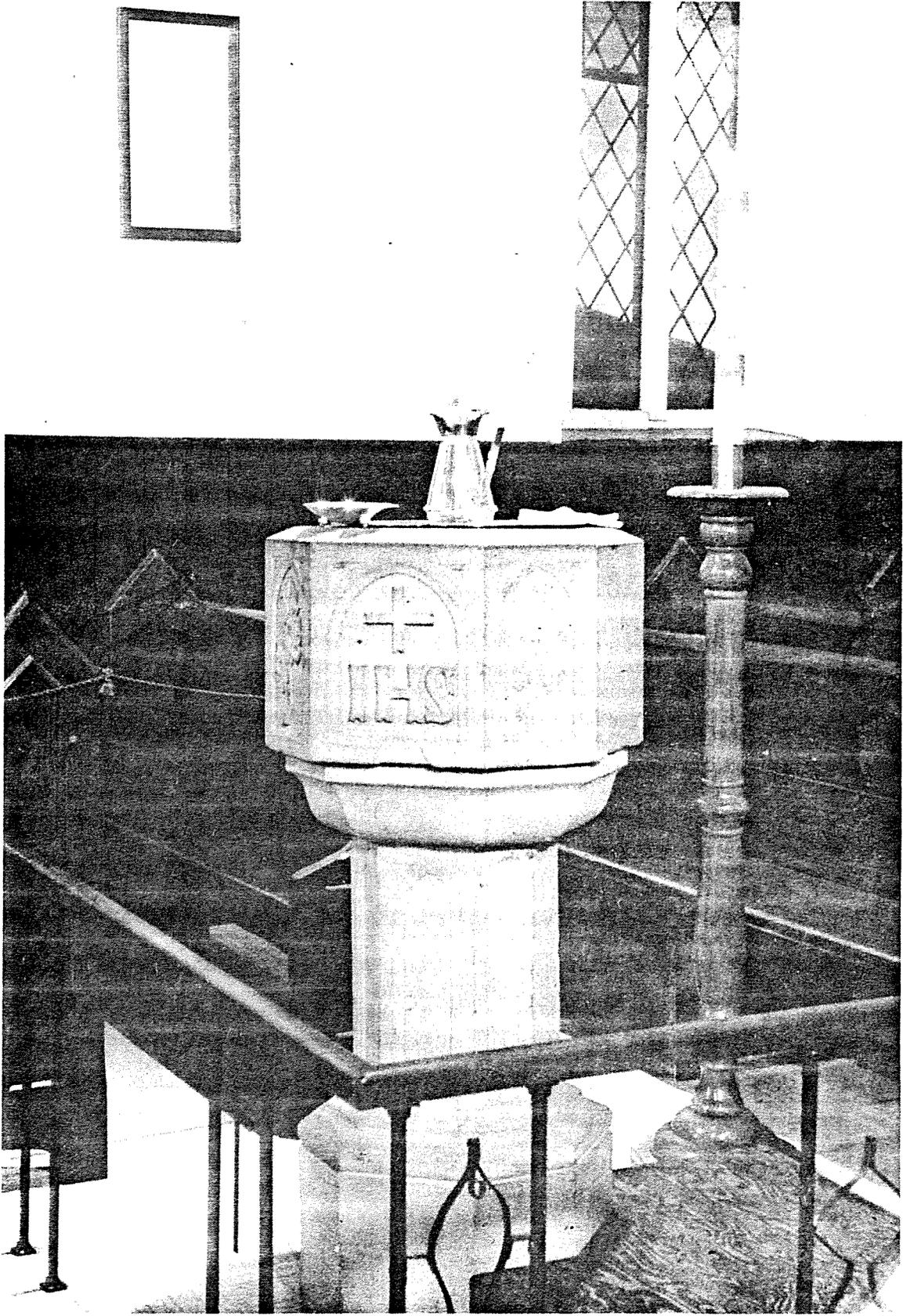
Russell Webber

1960:

A vote of thanks was given the Building Committee consisting of Mr. J.R. Hoare, Mr. Jack Aiken, Dr. V. Moorhouse, Mr. S.E. Lackey, and Mrs. H.B. Church. The new Christian Education Wing will be a fitting monument to all who worked and sacrificed to make this achievement possible. St. Mark's lost 15 families when A.V. Roe at Malton closed down. During 1959 a 1:30 Family Service and Bible Study Group had been inaugurated. The Rector and Sunday School Superintendent were deeply concerned about Sunday School attendance which had dropped badly. Thanks were expressed to Mrs. Mona Stubbs for loyal service as Sunday School organist. Mr. H.H. Simmonds, Envelope Secretary reported 414 sets of envelopes had been sent out but only some 316 were used for about 75 per cent of possible. The Insurance Replacement value is now \$176,000 including new articles purchased for Church and Rectory. The need for Pastoral assistance at St. Mark's was raised by Mr. Art Hoare, retiring Rector's Warden. His successor for a two year term was Mr. Veryle White. Girls' Auxiliary leaders were Mrs. Edith LeMoine, Mrs. Eileen Watt, and Miss Muriel Crombie. Junior Auxiliary leaders were Miss Marion Emack and Mrs. Barbara Adams. Little Helpers Secretary was Mrs. Edna Large. The Chi-Rho Fellowship still flourished. Missionary apportionment for 1960 had increased to \$4472. The need for more men to enter the ministry and more women for full time service in the Church was voiced in a motion by Mr. Gordon Bredin and seconded by Mrs. Mary Groves. 116 signed the Vestry Roll.

1961:

Mrs. Margaret Milson, convener in charge of the Parish dinner. The Committee appointed to look into the matter reported that it was their opinion the Parish could not support an assistant minister. Sector had fostered more generous systematic giving. Mr. H.H. Simmonds was appointed Church Treasurer as well as Envelope Secretary and Mrs. Pat Montgomery was Parish Secretary. The improved appearance of our Church grounds was due to the efforts of Mr. R.R. "Dick" Robinson. Miss Ruth Riggins had taken over the Junior Auxiliary assisted by Mrs. Nora Hoare, Mrs. Doris Robinson, Mrs. Eleanor Chapple, and Mrs. Margaret Milson. The Girls' Auxiliary leaders were Miss Marion Emack, Mrs. Eileen Watt, and Mrs. J.T. Thompson. 399 sets of envelopes were issued in 1961. Mr. Albert Horlock, retiring People's Warden, missed only 6 Sundays during his four year term. He was the first in St. Mark's to be presented with a Warden's Pin. Mrs. B. McCordick, retiring Parish Secretary and Mr. Rolph Cameron, retiring Chairman of Sidesmen were each presented with a Prayer Book in recognition of faithful service. Mr. James Wardlaw was elected People's Warden. A motion to support Trinity College to the extent of \$150 for one year was carried. This was in response to an appeal to establish a Fund to assist in the training of clergy. Our apportionment had now risen to \$5222. At the end of Dec. 1961 Miss Ethel Allen brought to a close a period of 30 years of faithful service as our Organist and Choir Leader.



1962:

Congregational dinner and Vestry meeting. The Rev. Fraser Berry presided. The names of 23 deceased during the past year were read. Mrs. Joy, President of the W.A., reported a donation of \$100 to Trinity College. Mr. James Wardlaw reported that St. Mark's was paying the fees of a Divinity Student, namely \$300 for Mr. Eric Mills. The Sunday School and the A.Y.P.A. each are taking care of a refugee child under the Foster Care Plan. The Anglican Church in Canada needs 200 new priests each year but the Canadian Church is supplying only half that number. The Rev. R.E.F. Berry challenged his people to become true stewards of the mysteries of God -- not merely of money but of time and talents. He called the Church to action for Christ. The 125th anniversary of St. Mark's Parish was fittingly observed with a Service and a Parish dinner in October with the Special Speaker being Archdeacon S.A. Kirk.

1963:

The Rector read the names of 24 who had been called into higher service during 1962. Total expenditures for the year, \$22,259.17. Building Fund Loan on Education Wing, \$5000 still owing. Our apportionment ten times that of 20 years ago. Stewardship Chairman, Mr. Russell Darwen. 165 pledge cards were completed and returned. 300 cards remained to be called for. Rev. R.E.F. Berry stated there were 294 families and 165 individuals: 1307 souls and 285 envelope subscribers. "Offer unto God the worship that is His due" that is our foremost duty and privilege. Father Berry deplored the fact that not more use was being made of the magnificent facilities in our new Education Wing; that so few take the midweek Holy Days and Eucharist celebrations seriously; that the men of the church are not as good stewards as are the women of St. Mark's. St. Mark's congregation recognized the 28 years of faithful service of Mr. S.E. Lackey as Sunday School Teacher and Superintendent by donating a plaque bearing the title "Samuel E. Lackey Proficiency Award" On it are 48 shields on which will be inscribed year by year the name of the teen-age student who has rendered most outstanding service to St. Mark's. Thus far the winners of the award and trophy are: 1963, Mary Ann Seltzer; 1964, Wayne Gibson; 1965, Roy Naismith; 1966, Hope Harkness; 1967, Jim Thompson. Our Organist, Mr. Bill Schoffield, a teacher on the Staff of Grand Valley Secondary School, was commended for the fine work he is doing, especially for the Advent and Christmas Carol Services. At a special gathering a presentation was made to Miss Ethel Allen of a chair and a radio for her comfort and enjoyment, and a beautiful ornate sanctuary lamp was purchased, hung, and dedicated to commemorate her three decades of unstinted and devoted service to her Church. Rector's Warden, Mr. Henry Stoutley, People's Warden, Mr. J.H. Holtby, and Church Secretary, Mrs. R.E. Seltzer. Proposed budget is \$30,294. Insurance carried \$180,000.

SAMUEL E. LACKEY PROFICIENCY AWARD

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AWARDED ANNUALLY TO THE TEENAGER WHO HAS GIVEN MOST OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO ST. MARK'S CHURCH.



1. - Mary Ann Seltzer 1962-63
2. George Wayne Gibson 1963-64
3. William Roy Naismith 1964-65
4. Susanne Hope Harkness 1965-66
5. James Stuart Thompson 1966-67
6. Presented by the Parish in recognition of Outstanding Service as Teacher and Superintendent in St. Mark's Church School.

1964:

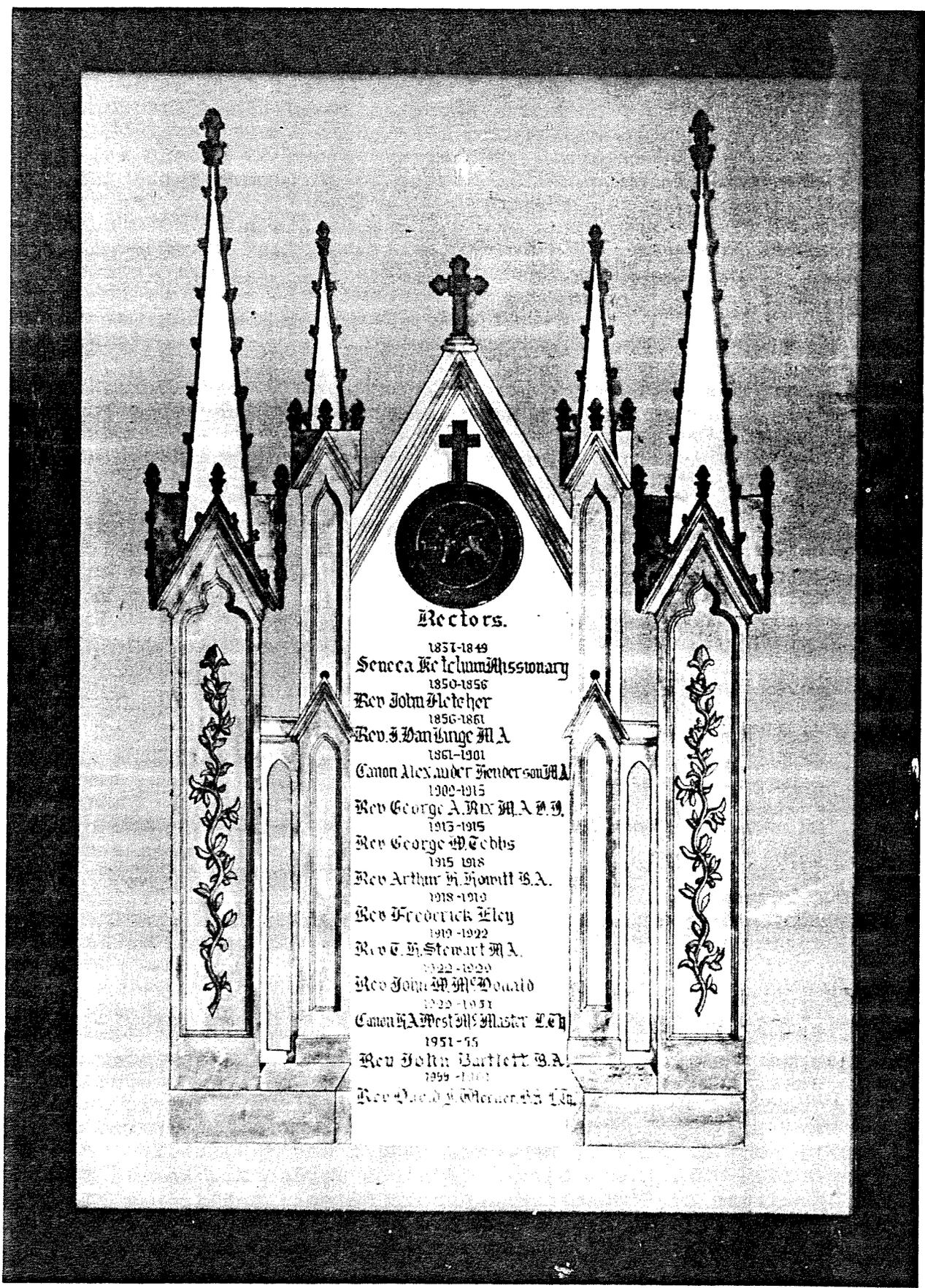
Rev. John D. Rathbone, Rector. Vestry meeting followed Evensong. Parish Clerk, Mrs. Bert McCordick. A time of retrospection, introspection, and prospection -- a need to put into practice the suggestions and resolutions that resulted from the Anglican Congress held in Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto, August 1963. The Rector reported 29 baptisms, 15 confirmands, 7 marriages, 16 burials in 1963 and an average of 25 communicants at the 8:00 a.m. Eucharist, about 99 at the 9:15 Family Service, and about 72 at the 11:15 service. Total income was \$22,221.55 and expenditures just slightly less. Mr. H.H. Simmonds, treasurer, was voted a remuneration of \$260 per annum. It was proposed to have the Baptismal Font moved down the centre aisle and near the south entrance. All were urged to increase their givings in the light of the needs of the Church in the World, which called for 20% over and above our apportionment. This was accepted unanimously. Rector's Warden, Mr. Norm Harkness, People's Warden, Mr. J.H. Holtby. Lay delegates to Synod, Col. Fitzgerald, Mr. Gordon Bredin, Mr. Veryle White. Church Organist, Mr. John Lane of Alton. Mrs. Douglas Edge succeeded Mrs. R.E. Seltzer in September 1964 as Church Secretary. Mrs. Murray Whipp took over as organist for three months following Mr. Lane's resignation due to poor health.

1965:

Mr. Donald Ferguson was engaged as Organist and Choir Leader commencing February 1965 at a salary of \$100 per month. Junior Choir Mother, Mrs. O.C. Keeling; President of St. Mark's Altar Guild, Mrs. R.E. Seltzer (moved to Richmond Hill) successor, Mrs. Veryle White; Church School Superintendent, Mr. Bert Allen, succeeded Mr. Norman Harkness; succeeded by Mr. Samuel Lackey; succeeded by Mr. Rolph Cameron; Stewardship Chairman Mr. Jack Tait. Last of Mortgage on Education Wing paid off. President of W.A., Mrs. H. Churchill succeeded by Mrs. Ewing Armstrong (moved to Petrolia). President of ChiRho Fellowship, Mrs. Harold Speers. Junior Auxiliary, Mrs. James Wardlaw, Mrs. George Dods. Camp Chairman, Mr. Murray Whipp. Auditors, Mr. Bob Lackey and Mr. Frank Anderson. Rector's stipend was \$4200. World Mission Apportionment raised from \$1072 to \$2196. Rector's Warden, Mr. N. Harkness; People's Warden, Mr. Robert Lackey; Lay delegates to Syond, Col. Fitzgerald, Mr. Veryle White, Mr. Gordon Bredin; Chairman of Sidesmen, Mr. George Dods, Mr. Frank Anderson; Camp Chairman, Mr. Jack Tait.

1966:

Vestry Meeting preceded by Evensong. Rector's charge read to the Congregation at the Sunday morning services. Committee appointed to study the Rector's charge and make a report; Mr. James Wardlaw, Chairman. Mr. Arthur Hoare succeeded Mr. A. Woodland as Church Treasurer. Mr. Clifford Murray succeeded Mr. Elgin Stott as Sexton. AYPAs leaders, Mrs. David Scott, Mr. Roy Naismith. Proposed budget was \$30,502.26. Rector's Warden, Mr. Elgin Stott; People's Warden Mr. Harold Speers; Chairman of Sidesmen Mr. Arnold Holmes; Anglican World Mission Co-ordinator Mr. Norman Harkness; Auditors Mr. George Dods and Mr. Deb Reed; Camp Committee Chairman Mr. David Cronin. Inter-



Rectors.

- 1851-1849
Seneca Reichum Missionary
- 1850-1856
Rev John Fletcher
- 1856-1861
Rev J Van Bunge M.A.
- 1861-1901
Canon Alexander Fenderson M.A.
- 1902-1915
Rev George A. Dix M.A. D.D.
- 1915-1915
Rev George W. Cobbs
- 1915-1918
Rev Arthur W. Howell B.A.
- 1918-1919
Rev Frederick Eley
- 1919-1922
Rev C. B. Stewart M.A.
- 1922-1929
Rev John W. McDonald
- 1929-1951
Canon H. A. West M. S. Master T. C. H.
- 1951-55
Rev John Bartlett B.A.
- 1955-1955
Rev J. W. F. Fenderson B. A.

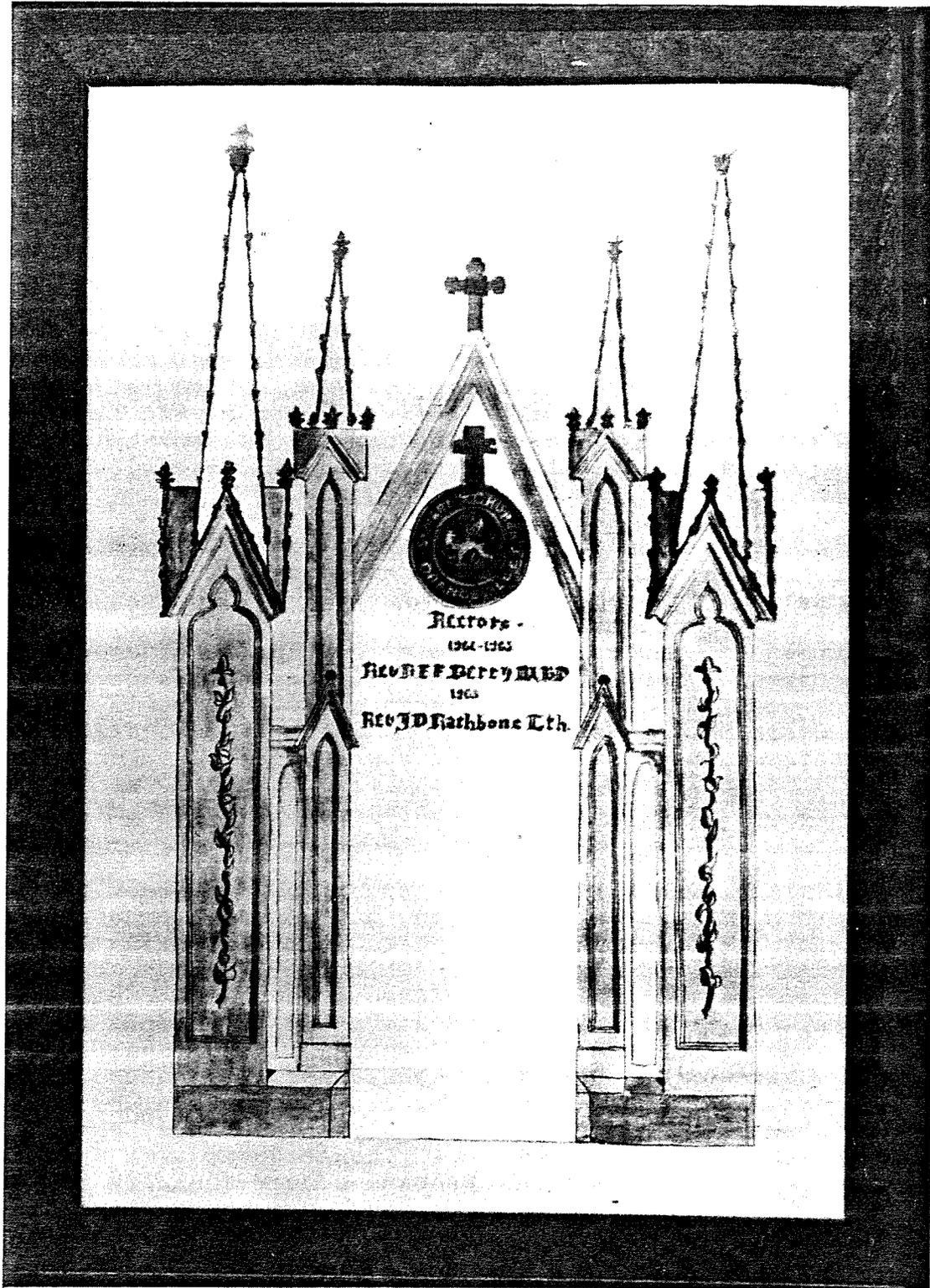
ior of Church repainted in Spring of 1965. In 1964 a committee was set up to discuss ways of dealing with the badly deteriorating exterior of our Church building. Various methods were investigated thoroughly and it was decided after 15 months to adopt the plastered brick veneer process of the Quick-Brick Construction Company of Toronto. The work began in the first week of July 1965 and took 10 weeks to complete. The process involved covering the entire building (except the new Christian Education Wing) with a gray bond coat of a special mixture which would permit the final coat to adhere to the old brick. A large portion of wall was then plastered by hand with cement and while still damp a colour coat was sprayed on. Again while wet a metal stencil two feet by three feet with grooves the width of bricks was placed on the wall and a tool gauged to the depth of a mortar line scraped off the colour coat and left a very real looking groove. The total effect is of a completely re-bricked building. Window sills were covered with cement to simulate stone sills and a total of eight windows were covered over as they now served no useful purpose. The main entrance ways were also done and new flagstone steps were layed over the old cement ones. The front of the building was completely landscaped and flood lights installed which make St. Mark's as startling at night as in the day. The total cost of this work was about \$15,000.00.

April 25, 1967 - St. Mark's Day

St. Mark's Day is our patronal festival when we remember with thanksgiving our Patron Saint, St. Mark, his life and his special interest in this parish. This day in 1967 marked our 130th anniversary as a parish. It was celebrated in an appropriate way by the parish family coming to Church at 6:30 p.m. for the Holy Eucharist. This was celebrated by the Rector in the presence of Bishop Bagnall. Also assisting were Fr. Eric Mills, Rector of St. George's, Georgetown and Fr. Peter Smith, Rector of St. James', St. Catharines, both former parishioners here. A very fine supper followed in the parish hall at which the Bishop was the special speaker. Everyone agreed that it was a fitting way to celebrate our 130th anniversary.

1967:

Vestry Clerk Veryle White. The Church Mission Target now includes Diocesan Work, Church Extension and A.W.M. Fund. The Ecumenical Movement is gaining momentum. A.C.W. President, Miss Marjorie Cluff succeeding Mrs. Ewing Armstrong. ChiRho, dormant at present. Stewardship Chairman, Mr. Murray Whipp, Chairman of Sidesmen, Mr. John Doran, Assistant Mr. Arnold Homes, Co-ordinator, Dr. Karl Winter. Vote taken on admitting women as Lay Delegates to Synod 25 for; 4 opposed; 7 abstained. This was later passed at Niagara Synod. Parish Centennial Committee: Mrs. Wm. Church, Mr. Ed Holmes, Mr. J.R. Hoare, Mr. Elgin Stott, Mr. Harold Speers, Rev. J.D. Rathbone, Rev. F.A. Seltzer, Convener. Donation of 16mm sound movie projector by Mr. Fred Orpen. Pancake supper February 7, 1967 sponsored by Anglican Church Women assisted by St. Mark's Young People.



THE ANCESTRY OF SENECA KETCHUM AND HIS BROTHER JESSE KETCHUM II
AND OF THE DESCENDANTS OF JESSE KETCHUM II.

(As compiled and written by Helen Ketchum, daughter of Henry George
and Rosalie Ketchum, New York City, August 1959)

Edward Ketchum arrived from England in Massachusetts Bay Colony
of Ipswich, around 1635.

He had married Mary Hall in the parish church of the St. Andrew
in Cambridge, England, August 22nd, 1619.

The form Ketchum seems to have come into general use in the
course of the seventeenth century, although the parish records
of Cambridge continue to refer to Edward by the name Cecham,
Cetham, and Kecham. In Ipswich, Mass. the records name him and
his family as Catcham, a spelling not used anywhere else in Eng-
land or in this country. In 1637 he signed a protest, Edward
Ketcham.

In 1650 a number of early settlers of Ipswich, Mass. sold out
and left this thriving little town because they could not tolerate
the bigotry which manifested itself in witch hysteria (witch trial
of 1648) and the growth of prejudice.

Edward Ketchum (also spelled Catcham or Kettcham) died at Strat-
ford Connecticut. Edward's children from the second marriage to
Sarah (surname not recorded) were: Rebecca, Sarah, Edward and
Joseph. Joseph was born around 1650 and died in 1730.
(Records show that in 1773, an English pound was worth \$8.84 as
compared with its present \$2.40)

Joseph was the father of Samuel Ketchum who died in Norwalk, Conn.
in 1771. He must have been a man of considerable wealth.

Samuel and Sarah Ketchum were United Empire Loyalists so they
were dispossessed of lands and livestock and household effects.
Their children were: Jesse I, born September 1740 in Norwalk, Conn.
married Mary Robbins in 1771. Peter, Isaac, Stephen, Lydia,
and Samuel.

Jesse I and Mary lived at Spencertown, New York where their child-
ren were born:

Seneca, born 1772, died in Toronto in 1850.

Sally, born 1774

Elizabeth born 1776.

Henry Clinton and Oliver Cromwell, twins born in 1778.

Zebulon born in 1780, died in Buffalo N.Y. in 1853.

Jesse II born 1782, died in Buffalo in 1867.

Polly born in 1784, migrated to Niagara, Canada after the
revolution.

Abigail and Hannah, twins born in 1786.

Abigail born in 1788.

When Jesse I went to Upper Canada around 1800, he never made
application for the United Empire Loyalist Land in spite of the
fact that his father's estate had been confiscated by the Rebels
in Norwalk, Conn. in 1779.

Seneca, the eldest son of Jesse I, went to Upper Canada around 1790 with a group whose destination was Cataraqui (now Kingston). Seneca's main reason for migrating to Canada was to associate himself with the Church of England as a missionary. There were no Episcopal theological seminaries in the United States at that time where the religion was predominantly Congregational.

Upon his arrival in Upper Canada, Seneca lost no time; together with the Rev. Stuart, he founded the Anglican Church of Kingston. Around 1796, he moved on to York (Toronto) and was a charter member of St. James Anglican Church there.

Later he was a lay founder of St. John's Anglican Church at Hogg's Hollow (now York Mills, Toronto) and around 1830, he and his wife Ann departed for Mono Township after Dr. Strachan had licensed him as a missionary to this district. He founded at least a half dozen Anglican churches in Mono Township.

Seneca and Ann had no children. Seneca died June 2nd, 1850, age seventy-eight.

Jesse Ketchum I died April 14th, 1826 at the age of 85 and was interred in the graveyard of St. John's Anglican Church at York Mills.

Jesse Ketchum II is the one who donated the land on which St. Mark's Anglican Church, Orangeville stands.

Around the year 1796, Jesse II walked from Spencertown, New York to Oswego, New York and crossed Lake Ontario by boat to Kingston. He proceeded immediately to York to join his brother Seneca who was about age 24 while Jesse II was only 14.

Jesse II lived in Toronto until 1845 when he took permanent residence in Buffalo New York.. It should be mentioned here that Seneca greatly influenced the moulding of the character of his youngest brother; both were profoundly religious and men of good principle. Quote: "Jesse was an extremely astute person blessed with an unfathomable reservoir of kindness - a truly great man who achieved this greatness quite unconsciously through the way in which he reacted to events of his day"

Jesse II married Ann Love in 1804, who died in 1833, age 52. Their children were:

Mary Ketchum born 1804 died 1832.

John Ketchum born in 1806 and killed in bark mill at age 3.

Fidelia Ketchum born 1808, married James Harris, (first rector of Knox Church) in 1829; died in 1874.

William Ketchum born 1810, died 1849.

Anna Ketchum born in 1812, died in 1833.

Jesse Ketchum III born 1820.

The second marriage of Jesse II was to Mary Ann Rubergall in 1834 in Buffalo, New York. She died March 11, 1869 leaving one son and two daughters.

Jesse II and his immediate family severed their connections with the Anglican Church. His second wife was a devout Presbyterian.

Jesse II was born March 31st, 1782 at Spencertown, Columbia County New York, after a very brief illness died September 7th, 1867 at the age of 85, five months at North Street Residence in Buffalo New York.

Jesse II and his son William actively and openly sympathized with the Reform movement. Jesse represented Durham County in the Upper Canada Legislature 1830-1834. The year following the William Lyon McKenzie Rebellion of 1837, an order to arrest William Ketchum for high treason was issued, but he was never apprehended, living safely in Buffalo. By 1843, matters had quieted down and William had returned to Toronto. It would appear that William was constantly heckled, he never married, he died at the age of 39 and was buried in Potter's Field Cemetery (the oldest non-sectarian cemetery in Toronto, created by act of Parliament, 1826, known as York general burying ground, colloquially called Potter's Field).

Jesse II was among the founders of the Westminster Presbyterian Church and was actively interested in the establishment of Public Schools in Buffalo. In 1871 the Jesse Ketchum Memorial Fund was founded by a son-in-law. Medals, books and other prizes have been distributed under this deed to the reported benefit of the cause of education in the city of Buffalo.

Jesse III married Elizabeth Wilson from Rochester New York. Children by his first marriage numbered 5 of whom Catherine, born in 1851 in Toronto, died in Orangeville in 1872.

Jesse III's second marriage was to Mary Colvin, born in Ireland, in 1830 and who died his widow at Orangeville Ontario November 1st 1887. Their children from Bible records, all of whom were born in Orangeville:

- Jesse IV, born in 1857; married Tebutha Ann Brown Scott November 17th, 1880; died at Saskatoon in July 1916.
- Margaret Helen, born 1858; married Rev. George Burland Bull June 1886; died in May 1936.
- Cytheria Louise, born 1860; married Jeffrey Mortimer Chantler August 1881.
- Amelia Reid (Minnie), born 1861; married John Clark; died November 1930 at Vancouver, B.C.
- Seneca (Heck) born 1863; died 1903, in the State of Washington, leaving one son Jesse Morris.
- Zebulon Colvin, born 1865; married Annie Borthwick in 1902; died in 1937 in Westboro, Ottawa.
- Annie Emma (Nan), born 1867; died of Consumption 1905.
- John Sherbourne, born 1869; died in infancy.
- Lily Love, born 1871; died in infancy.
- Henry George, born 1872; twice married.

Zebulon and his younger brother, Henry George, both well known athletes, opened a bicycle shop in Ottawa which grew into a

sporting goods store known as Ketchum & Co. After both had retired from active interest in the sporting goods store, they embarked in the business of animal identification. The parent factory, started by Zebulon during the first World War is the Ketchum Manufacturing Co. Ltd. in Westboro under the ownership management of Isabel Colvin Ketchum Percival.

Henry George Ketchum, youngest son of Jesse III Ketchum, suffered from Scarlet Fever as an infant. The result was partial paralysis of the legs. His older sister Minnie encouraged him to walk and as his ability to handle his legs improved, they used to toss Lacrosse balls on the lawn in Orangeville. Later on, Henry George was to become a member of the World Champion Lacrosse Team, the "Capitals" of Ottawa - when they won the title in 1893 and again in 1895-96. An all-around athlete, he was on championship Rugby and Ice Hockey teams as well. These athletic activities helped to defray his expenses at the University of Toronto and they later contributed towards his success in the sporting goods business.

His four children are:

James Bruce, born 1894;
Jesse V, born 1897 - officer in the Canadian Army during
World War One;
Helen born 1919
Alice born 1920.

Editor's Note: The parts of the above resume pertinent to Orangeville were taken from:
Booklet - "Unto the Hills" by Canon Allen Read.
Historic St. John's at York Mills.
Newspaper - "The Sun" of Orangeville, Ontario.

Bishop Strachan advised his clergy to use "kind and affectionate persuasion with their flocks"; he bid them increase their Sunday Schools - "those fruitful nurseries of the church".

John Strachan could not conceive of education unless it was saturated with the great truths and principles of Christianity - in that way only could it "enlighten the understanding of the young, soften their hearts, purify their morals, and civilize their manners".

"Neither piety nor morality can be cultivated in the youth of this country unless religious teaching is made a part of its common school system".

Strachan's famous "Blue School" at York grew into Upper Canada College; King's College became the University of Toronto; The University of Trinity College; The Bishop Strachan School for Girls - all these are the fruit of his zeal, vision, and initiative.

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, BURIALS

First entry in aged record book - Jane Anne Crawford, daughter of James and Elizabeth Crawford, farmer, Albion, born Oct. 18, 1849, baptized Jan. 3rd, 1850 in St. John's Church, Mono; officiating minister, the Rev. John Fletcher.

The second entry - Thomas Taylor White, son of Henry and Elizabeth White, farmer, Mulmur, born Nov. 15, 1849, baptized in St. Mark's Church, Mono, on Jan. 6, 1850.

The last entry by Rev. John Fletcher is number 630, Alfred, son of Jacob and Alice VanLinge, born July 31st, 1856 and baptized Aug. 26th.

The first child to be baptized by the Rev. J. VanLinge in St. Mark's, Orangeville, was James, son of Joshua and Catherine Woodland of Mono, on Oct. 5, 1856.

The final entry by VanLinge in the first register was the baptism of Joseph Henry, son of Joseph and Jane Hewitt of Amaranth born Dec. 10, 1860, and baptized May 13, 1861, making a total of 420 baptisms by VanLinge in Orangeville and the surrounding townships.

The first entry in a new register kept by the Rev. A. Henderson was that of John James, son of Matthew and Sarah Wilkins, butcher, born Feb. 25, 1872, and baptized May 5, 1872.

The first sponsor recorded was Nancy Ingraham for Mary Elizabeth McGuire. From May 5, 1872 to July 4, 1883, the Rev. A. Henderson baptized 736 persons. There were also a number baptized by Thomas Geoghegan and Edward Irving.

Christian names noted besides the common ones are: Hannah, Isaac, Amanda, Susannah, Julia Rosabel, Burton Ernest, Gilbert, Sophia, Eri, Lily Jane, Adaline, Eva, Emeline, Marjora Theresa, Hugh, Josias, Matilda, Christina, Eleanor, Napoleon, Letitia, Elvia May, Forbes Emma, Maitland Stewart, Jonathan Ezra, Lena Violet, Ashall Francis, Reginald Heber, Lizzie Abba, Euphemy Jane, Eliza Jane, Mabel Augusta Laura, Susan Charlotte, Alice Evangeline, Miron, Rebecca, Temperance, Millicy, Jessie Gertrude, Lovina, Helena, Maude, Rachel, Lucinda, Dolson, Wesley, Alverda, Lavinia Marietta, Horace, Rosa Bell, Minerva Ann, Naomi, Fanny Salina, Hadie Elvia, Ada, Leigh, Arabel, Reuben, Maggie Wy, Lottie May, Winifred, Hector, Glendora, Claude, Mignon, Reine May, Florence Eirene, Thom, Percy, Melinda.

"I was in body somewhat wearied, but in spirit greatly refreshed it was the meat that ye know not of which every pastor experiences" - Quote by Bishop Strachan.



THE ST. MARK'S BOYS' BIBLE CLASS OF 1932.

Back Row: Abby Horlock, Harold Cruikshank, Jack Hackett, Mr. Green, Frank Rispin.
Centre Row: Jack Hopkins, Jeff Dewar, Canon West-McMaster, Jim Brown, Elgin McKibbon.
Seated in Front: Bob Lackey, Wilfred Leach. Between the boys is the Canon's dog "Teddy".

Excerpt from Wycliffe College Yearbook 1911.

HERBERT ALLEN WEST: "East is east and West is west". "Bert" was born a Yankee but brought up a Canadian. After serving several years as S.A. Captain, he doffed the jersey to don the surplice, entering Wycliffe College in 1910. Stands high in class lists, served on the executive of the "LIT". A "GRIT" and member of the Liberal Club. Is a weekly visitor to St. Kitt's where he has charge of a church - and other attractions! (Ed. Note: could her name have been Elizabeth?).

CHAPTER ONE

THE BEGINNINGS OF PUBLIC WORSHIP

From a typical pioneer home in the State of New York, a young minister in the 1799 invited two young men to accompany him to a small centre in Canada, Cataraqui by name, later to be known as the Town of Kingston. Seneca and his brother Jessie Ketchum accepted this invitation from Rev. Stuart and they were soon on their way to what to Seneca was to be his life's work.

Several months later they and the minister journeyed to the Town of York (now Toronto). It was at this time the beautiful Church of St. James was being built and it attracted the attention of the two young men. They became very enthused over this new work and in this new Church soon became Charter members. Jessie, however, separated from the Church later owing to differences of opinion with Bishop Strachan who was then the Rector, regarding the question of Public or Common Schools in York as Toronto was then known.

For a time Seneca made his way from his home on Yonge Street through the woods every Sunday to attend the services in St. James Church which was then a small log Church in the midst of a large meadow. He noticed that many of his neighbours were not attending any Church whatever, either they could not or would not go the distance of the five or six miles to St. James, so he began holding services in his own home. The missionary spirit within him was beginning to show itself when he organized services in the surrounding district in the year 1819. He would start off in the morning before daylight on Sunday and go to Thornhill, Markham, and several other places, holding services.

The seed was being sown and it wasn't very long before Churches were being erected in these centres and Seneca's work was bearing fruit.

Four years later Seneca became troubled concerning the people in the back woods country to the north who were receiving no religious ministry and who knew very little about it. The more he thought about it, the more it appealed to him and finally he decided to journey into the back bush country. He purchased a tract of land, 200 acres, from Allan Robinette (who then had a patent for the land) for 25 pounds sterling or in Canadian money of today about \$125 in or near what was to be later the Town of Orangeville, in the year 1823.

His altruistic dream was to build a Church every few miles. It was not long before regular services and classes for the young people were held on the site now known as Mono Mills on the 7th Line. So successful was his work that in the year 1830 Bishop Strachan licensed him as a Missionary to the Township of Mono. There was no stipulation as to salary, and Seneca expected none, his only reward was to see the work he had started through his pioneer efforts and the help of his Master become a real lasting Church and one which was to become one of the prominent Churches in the Future Town of Orangeville,

He was a friend to everyone and gave them spiritual advice and the people attended his services and became dependent on him as he once said "to look for everything, even to fresh meat" which was a luxury in those early days. When Seneca Ketchum moved to Mono he was instrumental in having families come with him, to whom he gave separate houses on his farm, where the men worked and the women looked after the houses. His work grew by leaps and bounds and more people from the surrounding country were attending the services that in the year 1837 he was compelled to erect his church edifice built with the logs from the near by bush, listed at first as St. Mark's Church Mono, it was not at this time listed as a Parish Church of the Diocese of Toronto, but was more of a family chapel to which the early settlers of the surrounding district came.

The work progressed and finally the congregation outgrew the small Church itself and it proved too small as the people crowded to it especially when visiting clergy came to preach such as H. B. Osler and Rev. Samson, prominent ministers of that day. Bishop Strachan became intensely interested in this new work and growth of the Church that he decided to pay a visit. So in great style came His Lordship with his coach and four footmen and coachmen to hold Confirmation Services and to minister to this distant part of his diocese. As the beautiful service was in progress many were forced to stand outside the building. Weather at those times was of no consequence, they were glad to be at the service.

The seed had been sown and was rapidly taking a firm root hold and the work was spreading to the extent that in 1843 the Rev. Walter Stewart Darling was appointed Missionary to Mono and the surrounding parts of the Church Society (a movement for the converting and Civilizing of the Indians and for the Propagating of the Gospel among the settlers was formed of Upper Canada). This Society was started by the Honourable and Right Reverend Charles James Stewart, Lord Bishop of Quebec of which Toronto then formed a part of the Diocese.

He was succeeded two years later by the Rev. George Borne who ministered to the widely spread country. Mr. Ketchum's untiring efforts in Church work and his waning strength due to his advanced age, (he would walk or ride 30 miles each Sunday so that every small centre might have Church services) proved too great a task for him and he was forced to appeal to the Bishop for assistance for the work had now spread to the settlement known as Melville.

The Rev. Fletcher, a minister who had arrived from Ireland with his wife and family, was appointed to assist Mr. Ketchum. They were received into the hospitable home of Seneca Ketchum. While the new Rectory was being built at the new St. George's Church, Melville, Rev. Fletcher remained as an assistant until Seneca Ketchum's death, which took place on June 4th, 1849. This unfortunate event happened during one of the visits he made periodically to the Bishop, at the home of his nephew-in-law, Rev. James Harris. So passed a great pioneer Churchman and Missionary

one of those early heroes and Saints to whom the Church is so greatly indebted, one of whom it could be said "He loved his Lord, his Church and his fellow men".

A few months later the Rectory was completed and the minister "Moved In". As he assumed the work left by Mr. Ketchum, his Parish duties gave him charge of St. John's Church, Mono, St. Luke's Church, Mulmur, Tosorontio, Adjala and St. Mark's Church. The need for a much larger Church became very evident, but the location was not as Mr. Ketchum had hoped near the site of the present Church, but a mile west of the settlement later known as Orangeville. Rev. John Fletcher five years after Seneca Ketchum's death built the second St. Mark's, a small stone Church on the site of the present beautiful Church on land given by Jessie Ketchum, a brother of the late founder, who also made a donation of 50 pounds sterling towards the expense of the new building. This event in the year 1854, marked the building of the first Church in the small Village of Orangeville.

Although The Rev. Fletcher was the first minister in charge of St. Mark's Church on the present site, he never lived in the new village. A few years later he resigned his position to go to St. John's Church, East Mono and was succeeded by Rev. Van Linge. The building of a new church on the present site seems to have been a good move on the part of these pioneers for the Church progressed more rapidly as the Village grew in size and in 1861 The Rev. Alexander Henderson was appointed the Rector. He bought the house next door to the Church and it became St. Mark's Church Rectory. For forty years, Canon Henderson ministered to the congregation and also to the country districts around the Village. He would ride on horse back through the Countryside, visiting homes, baptizing the children and ministering to the sick, lonely and scattered parishioners. He was responsible for the founding of several small Churches in the nearby Villages. A man of very definite and strong churchmanship, who gave many years of faithful service.

In some records of the Church at that time it was listed that the income of the Church was 12 pounds 8 shillings and 9 1/2d, and One Shilling was expended for candles. The Salaries were not very large ones at that time as may be seen by the fact that Thomas Mather was appointed Sexton in the year 1865 at the salary of \$30 per year.

During Canon Henderson's ministry, the congregation continued to grow and very soon a meeting was called and it was decided to build a new church on the same site. A committee composed of Canon Henderson, M. McCarthy, F. Macheley, Thomas Burley and F. Irwin was appointed and the work commenced, the Church however, carried on by holding services in Bell's Hall, which was in the Bell's Hotel on Mill Street and Broadway where the Royal Bank of Canada now stands. The Church now boasted an organist at the yearly salary of \$15. A survey of some of the business transactions of the time show that most of the income depended, not only on the

givings of the congregation but raised by paying Pew Rent which was \$4.00 per sitting, the money to be used for paying the minister's salary. Later the rent was raised to \$20 per yearly sitting, the money paid quarterly in advance. The minister's stipend amounted to \$800 per year, Insurance costing \$50 and Fuel for heating the Church was \$16.50. W. James received a yearly salary of \$10 for pumping the Organ at each service.

Later Miss Pedlow, the organist resigned her position and Miss Hewatt was appointed at \$25 per year. The Sexton at this time was receiving \$100 per year, his duties consisted of cutting the wood for the stoves, supplying the oil for the lamps, replacing all broken lamps and chimneys, cutting the grass and generally looking after the Church. These expenses and salaries may seem in the present day very trivial, but in those days when the country was young and money was not so plentiful they were considered large sums.

In the year 1887 quite a catastrophe occurred during a storm, the Church Spire blew down. For a time there was a movement on foot to rebuild the Spire but this idea was soon discouraged and finally the Tower we see today was built at the cost of \$460. The salaries of the organists seemed to rise at each new appointment as may be seen at the time of Miss Hewatt when Mrs. H. Endacott was appointed at a salary of \$60 per year. Several organists have served the Church faithfully since that time. Namely: Mrs. Z. Henry, Mrs. Endacott, Mrs. Russell Morrow and Miss Ethel Allen. Mr. Don Ferguson was appointed as Organist and Choir Master by the Rector and Church Wardens in the year 1965. A native son of Orangeville, he had quite a number of years experience in Church musical work, being Organist and Pianist in the Orangeville Baptist Church for eleven years (1950-1961). From there he went to Tweedsmuir Presbyterian Church and four years later to St. Mark's.

A very interesting story is taken from a letter written by Canon Henderson in which he mentions that one of the early organists played on a small melodion which was carried back and forth by the Sexton from his house to the Church. In the year 1902, the beloved Canon Henderson resigned his position, after spending forty years faithful service to the Church which had become very dear to him. Tributes of appreciation of his work and regrets of his decision to retire were made at a large meeting in his honour and in which he was presented with a purse of gold and was granted \$100 for two years as a retiring allowance. A year later G. A. Rix who was a minister at the Church of the Redeemer, Toronto, at that time was appointed the Rector of St. Mark's at a salary of \$1150.

The Rectory which was owned by Canon Henderson was bought by the Church at his retirement at a cost of \$1300. During the eleven years' ministry of Rev. G. A. Rix an event took place - his ministry had just commenced in 1902 when England was rejoicing at the Coronation of King Edward the Seventh and Queen Alexandra, whose short, peaceful reign ended in 1910. He was known as Edward, The Peacemaker. Special services were held in St. Mark's in honour of the Coronation.

The Rev. G. Rix resigned and The Rev. George Tebbs followed and it was during his ministry that the Choir, during the processional hymn at a Christmas service appeared in their new white surplices. The Rev. George Tebbs served as Rector for two years.

The year 1914 brought bereavement to the Church in the death of their faithful friend and minister, Canon Henderson, crowds filled the Church to pay their respects to the one who had led and so loyally served them as their minister. His death came 12 years after his retirement from the work of the parish, but he left a memory of love and influence behind him that years will not efface. The remains of the beloved Canon were laid to rest in the Forest Lawn Cemetery.

During this time it was felt that the Organ in the Church was out of date and proved inadequate for a Church of the size of St. Mark's the congregation decided to purchase a new pipe organ, this type of Organ was becoming very popular in the city Churches at this time. The old organ was sold and the proceeds were used on the purchase price of the new organ. Rev. Tebbs retired from his ministry a year later and was succeeded by The Rev. A. Howitt, B. A. and during his ministry, in the first year, the new organ was installed at the cost of \$2100. A donation was made by the Andrew Carnegie, he giving the sum of \$1000. Further contributions to the splendid appearance of the Church were the lovely gifts of the Altar and the Communion Table Rails, and reredos and book rest which were given by Mrs. J. McCarthy.

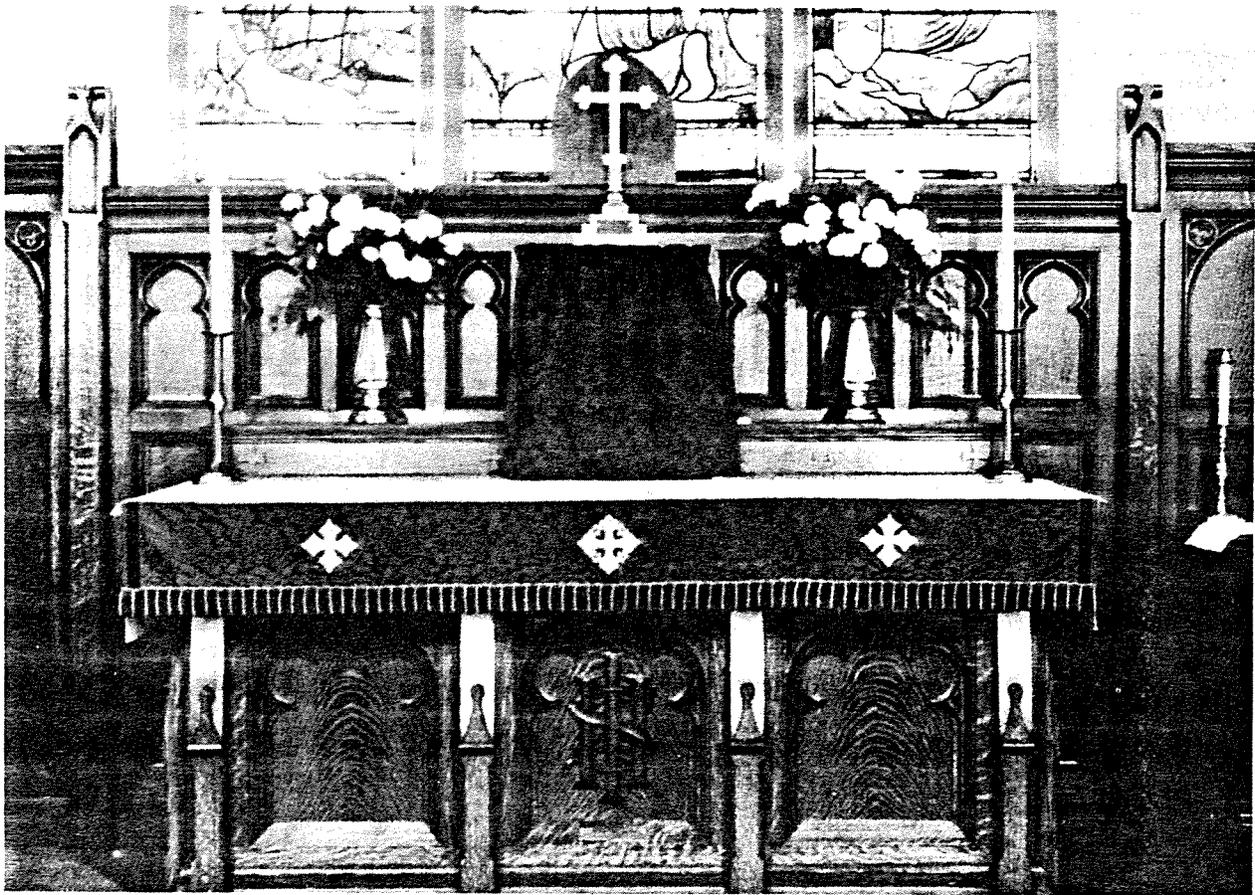
Two years later the lovely Chancel was completed by the Choir stalls and the hardwood floor, these were given by Dr. Thomas Henry and his brother-in-law in memory of their parents. Thus the Church was becoming more beautiful, a lasting tribute to the pioneers by whose efforts and hard work had made the Church possible.

The Rev. Arthur Howitt was followed by The Rev. Frederick Eley whose ministry lasted a year, then came The Rev. T. Stewart, M.A., B.D., for three years of faithful work in the parish, later he left to become Rector of St. John's Church, New Brunswick. The new Rector J. W. McDonald came in 1922, it was during his ministry that it was decided that the Rectory purchased many years before from the late Canon Henderson was sadly in need of repair and should be remodelled. After much discussion, plans were made to build an entirely new Rectory after the pattern of the Willowdale Rectory, the cost of the work was around \$4,600. The Rev. J. McDonald in the meantime was appointed Rector of St. George's Church, Hamilton. The congregation will remember him very affectionately and his friends were legion both in the Church and the Town generally. The following year the house was taken down and the work of erecting the new Rectory was commenced, the men of the Church assisting in every way they could and soon a very fine house was completed, a credit to the efforts of any Church. In November 1929 the new Rector, The Rev. West McMaster and his family moved into the new house. They were soon actively working in the Parish winning hearts by their Christian influence and started what proved a very successful ministry. It was not long after he assumed the

Rectorship of St. Mark's Church that he was made Chaplain of the Peel-Dufferin Regiment, later he was elected Rural Dean of Wellington. Many events of real note took place during his period of ministry.

The first Ordination Service in St. Mark's was held by the Lord Bishop of Niagara, the Rt. Rev. L. B. W. Broughall, D. D. when six young men were ordained in the ministry before a capacity congregation with many having to be turned away. The Rev. E.A. Hill, The Rev. R. W. Wenham were advanced to the Priesthood and J. F. Hinchcliffe, B. A. Peglar, Murray McKitrick and William Wallace Merkle were ordained to the Diaconate. This historic event took place on June 6th, 1936.

The sixtieth anniversary of the building of the present and third St. Mark's Church was duly celebrated by special services and a banquet in the Orangeville Arena, with the Bishop and the official clergy, attending were some 400 guests. A more permanent reminder of the happy occasion was made when the exterior of the church was repaired and painted and 21 windows were restored and the grounds were made more beautiful by the planting of shrubberies.



Altar of St. Mark's Anglican Church taken in 1967.

WOMEN'S WORK IN THE ANGLICAN CHURCH

PARISH OF ST. MARK'S, ORANGEVILLE

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

In September, 1888, a meeting was held in a schoolroom of St. Mark's Church and it was agreed that a branch of the W. A. to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be organized in the Parish. The first President was Mrs. Henderson, wife of Canon Alexander Henderson, then the Rector of St. Mark's.

PARISH GUILD

As the W. A. has functioned mainly to raise funds for missionary work abroad, the Parish Guild had functioned to support the local work of the Church. The Guild, was a group of ladies who unselfishly gave of their time to prepare and administer the various social affairs in the Church. It was originally divided into four groups corresponding to the Wards of the town. Each group held a separate meeting once a month and a joint meeting of the four groups was also held once a month. The proceeds of social functions and other fund raising projects were given annually to the Guild Treasurer.

W. A. AND PARISH GUILD UNITE

In 1957 the Womens' Organizations of St. Mark's underwent organizational changes. The Parish Guild found it difficult, as the town grew, to render services which had, in the past, been faithfully rendered.

After great deliberation, a new womens' group emerged, known as the Women's Auxiliary of St. Mark's Church. This was formed under the capable direction of the Reverend David Woeller.

The W. A. and the Parish Guild were now united in a single association. The W. A. as it was then referred to, was divided into twelve Circles each with a Circle Leader. In 1959, the first regular election of officers was held. The Circles planned to meet once a month and organize their own programmes.

In 1963, the W. A. celebrated its Seventy-Fifth Anniversary at a special service held at St. Mark's Church.

In 1967, the Anglican Church of Canada officially decided to change the name of the W. A. to the Anglican Church Women.

John Strachan was Bishop of Toronto for 30 years; he gave generously, he saved little, he lived to be ninety, and died in harness a poor man.



ST. MARK'S WOMAN'S AUXILIARY 50th ANNIVERSARY 1888 - 1938

Standing: Miss E. Jenkins, Mrs. W.C.Hopkins, Miss G. Fitzgerald, Mrs. E. Island, Mrs. D. Gray
 Mrs. M. Lewis, Mrs. L. Youmans, Mrs. W. J. Cruikshank. Mrs. E. Hackett, Mrs. G. Morrison
 Mrs. H. Strickland, Mrs. C.C.Hannah, Mrs. T.J.Henry, Mrs. J. Duke, Miss D. Hulse,
 Mrs. G. Leighton, Mrs. J.A.Campbell, Mrs. A. Ellis, Mrs. A. Shepley, Miss G. Irvine,
 Mrs. G.M.Cruikshank.

Seated: Mrs. G. Holmes, Mrs. J. Jessop, Mrs. O'C Ahern, Mrs. W. E. Irvine, Mrs. E.Robinson,
 Mrs. J. Lewis, Mrs. H. Hewat, Mrs. H.A.West-McMaster, Mrs. G. H. Mills, Mrs. E. Parsons
 Mrs. J. R. Hoare,

ST. MARK'S WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CELEBRATED GOLDEN JUBILEE - OCT. 1937

The senior Woman's Auxiliary of St. Mark's Church, Orangeville celebrated its Golden Jubilee with a banquet in the Church Hall on Monday evening October 17th. Flowers, brass candles and sparkling glass carried out a most attractive colour scheme of mauve and yellow, and the three storey birthday cake, suitably inscribed and glittering with 50 candles was cut by Miss Hewat. The guests, upon arrival registered in a beautifully illuminated guest book made by Miss Delia Hulse.

Every chair was filled and after a most delicious repast the programme opened with the Auxiliary prayer, followed by reading of Psalm lll by Mrs. E.A.Parsons. Then the recording secretary, Mrs, J. R. Hoare read the minutes of the first meeting in September 1888 when the branch was organized by the late Canon Henderson.

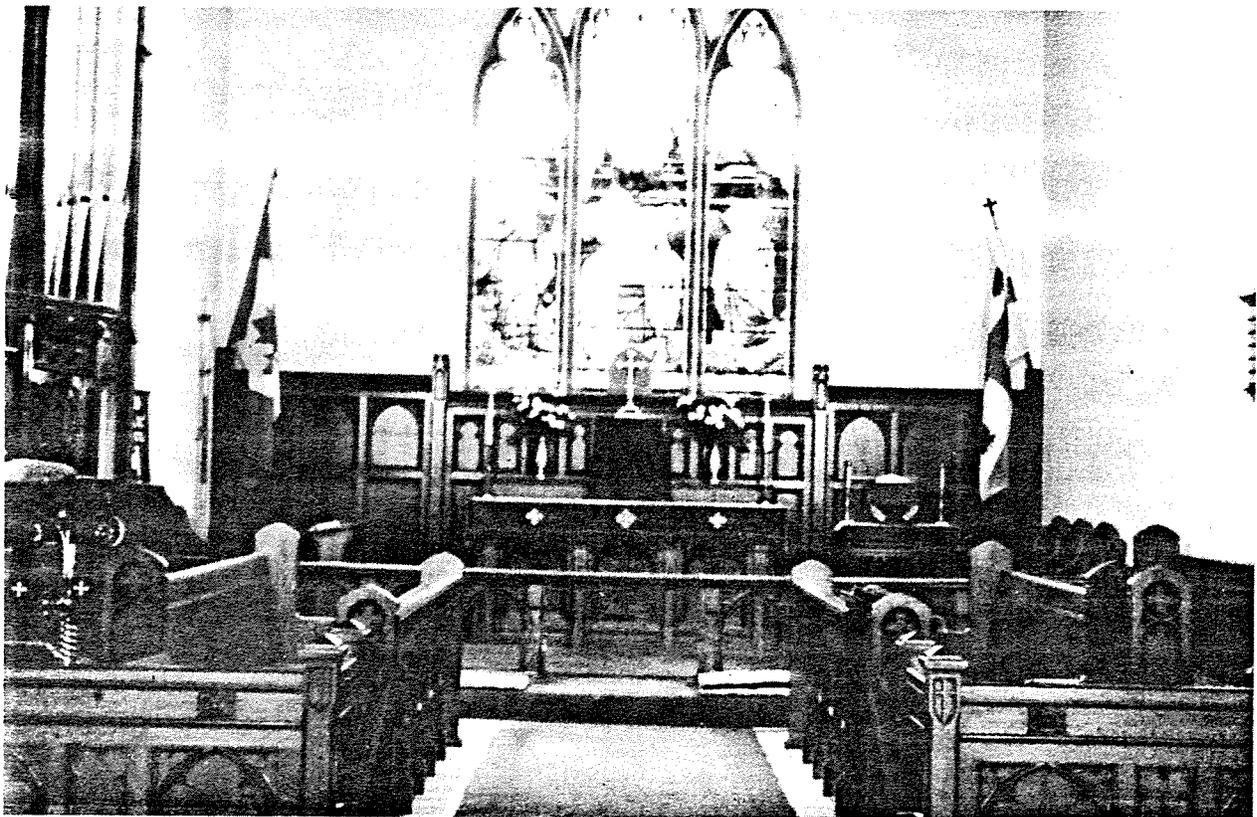
Mrs. W. O'C. Ahern brought greetings from many former members. Especially interesting were the letters from some of the charter members now resident elsewhere.

Mrs. Joseph Lewis, the President of the Auxiliary, presided in her usual capable and pleasing manner and expressed her warm appreciation to all present in a well worded and appropriate address.

Greetings were brought in person by Mrs. McAndrew of Hamilton, Diocesan Dorcas Secretary of the W.A., Mrs. J. W. McDonald of Hamilton Diocesan Juniors' Superintendent, and Mrs. A. Grigg, President of the W.M.S. of St. Andrew's United Church, Mrs. Courtney, President of the W.M.S. of Orangeville Presbyterian Church, Mrs. James Wise, President of the W.M.S. of First Avenue United Church, and Mrs. Alfred Wise, President of the Missionary Society of the Baptist Church.

Then followed the presentation of a Life Membership to a much beloved and longtime member of St. Mark's Church in the person of Mrs. Harry Shaw. This was made by Mrs. Annie Ellis and Mrs. Geo. Mills. Miss Helen Hewat, the only Charter Member still in St. Mark's was presented with a beautiful bouquet of yellow mums, Mrs. H. A. West-McMaster and Mrs. E. A. Robinson making the presentation.

The benediction pronounced by the Rev. Canon West-McMaster brought to a close a very happy and long to be remembered evening.



Chancel of St. Mark's Anglican Church taken in 1967.



The Thompson-West-McMaster bridal party taken on the steps of St. Mark's Anglican Church, Orangeville following the wedding ceremony. In the foreground is the bride, formerly Miss Joan West-McMaster, and the groom, Mr. Robert John Thompson. On the top step reading from left to right, is Mrs. Reginald Kingshott, matron of honour, Miss Diana Thomson of Toronto, bridesmaid, Mr. Reg. Kingshott, an usher and Mr. Robert Robinson of Brampton groomsmen. Picture was taken August, 1949.

Joan Elizabeth McMaster, B.A. daughter of Canon and Mrs. H.A. West-McMaster, on the staff of the Orangeville High School, joined Canada's Armed Forces during World War II as a member of the W.R.C. N.S., stationed at H.M.C.S. Conestoga in Galt; later at H.M.C.S. Stadacona, Halifax, with the rank of Sub-Lieutenant.

ST. MARK'S BRANCH OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY

In contrast to the fast moving, intemperate era in which we are now living was the Church of England Temperance Society, a branch of which was organized at St. Mark's on April 24, 1888.

The meeting was chaired by the Reverend A. Henderson with Mr. L. Island as Secretary. The Rev. Henderson subsequently became President.

Other officers were: Vice President - Mr. W. L. Walsh
Secretary - Mr. J. A. Leighton
Treasurer - Mr. S. Downer

A Constitution was set up as follows:

Article 1

Members shall be persons of the age of twelve and upwards, male and female, who are duly admitted upon subscribing to one or more of the following declarations:

1. I recognize my duty as a Christian for the suppression of Intemperance, and having hereby become a member of the society, will endeavour, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ both by example and effort to promote its objects. (This must be signed by all).

Article 2

I hereby agree to abstain from the use of intoxication drinks, except at meals, as long as I retain this card of membership.

Article 3

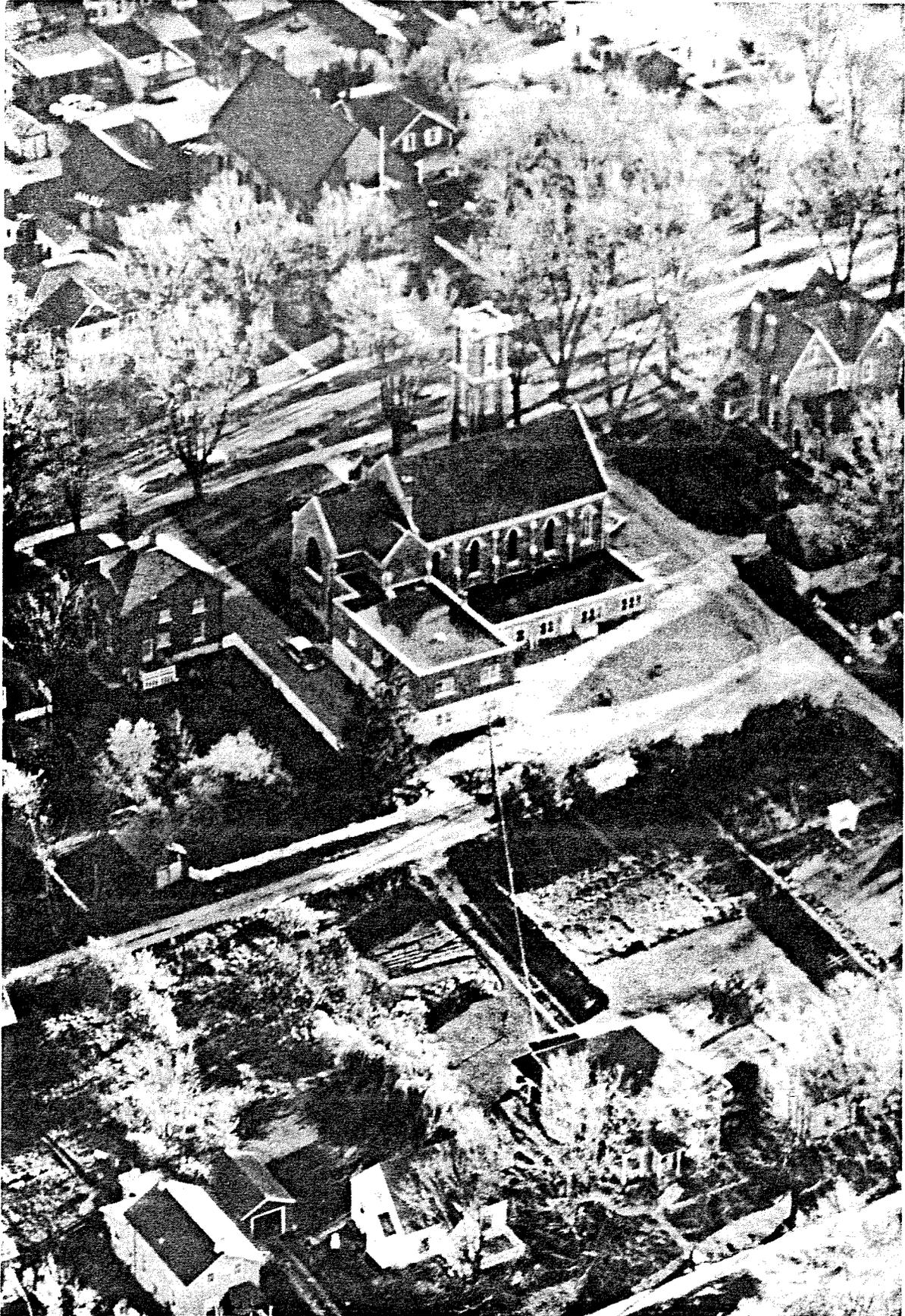
I hereby agree with the help of God, not to treat or be treated to intoxicating drinks so long as I retain this card of membership.

Article 4

And I further agree with the help of God to abatain from the use of intoxication liquors as beverage, so long as I retain this card of membership.

From the minutes of the February 9, 1891, it is interesting to note the subject of a debate: Resolved "That a Good Wife is Better than Great Riches". Another interesting feature was an item on the agenda entitled "Club Swinging" by Miss E. Leighton.

"Go forth Right Reverend Fathers to the Churches to which you are appointed and let that spirit be in you which was in Christ Jesus - meek, patient and charitable, bold, perserving, full of Christian love, full of holy consolation; and prayer shall be made in the church unceasingly for you". Spoken by the preacher in the Chapel of Lambeth Palace, London, England, at the consecrations of the first Bishops of Toronto and of Newfoundland - the Venerable John Strachan and Aubrey George Spencer.



An aerial view of St. Mark's Anglican Church taken in 1967. To the north may be seen the Parish Hall extensions completed in 1954 and the new Educational Wing completed in 1959.

LETTER FROM MRS. ELIZABETH McMASTER TO JACK AIKEN.

Ottawa, March 4th, 1968.

Dear Bun:

How nice to hear from you and here is a prompt reply.

I sent Jim Wardlaw my husband's scrap book in which are clippings of every event that took place during his 22 years as Rector. I asked that the book be kept in the church archives. In it you will find endless information.

When we arrived in Orangeville after the long weary climb up the Caledon mountain, Bert refused to unpack the furniture as he planned to leave at once. He was Rector for 22 happy years.

He was responsible for doing away with the hard, straight old pews, making a middle aisle in the church and putting the organ in the chancel. It had been standing in front of the nave, I think he had a new organ installed. He turned a plot overgrown with weeds at the back of the church into an attractive lawn. The shrubbery around the church and the grounds were beautiful indeed and the rectory garden was a show place. He erected the Memorial Cross in front of the church.

His work with the young people was remarkable. All his boys turned out so well. Each year he wrote and produced a pantomime which was great fun for the children. I remember Addie Jane Heather as the sleeping beauty being awakened by Jack Ahern as the prince.

Bert was president of the Horticultural Society, President of the Children's Aid Society and was awarded the George Cross. He was Chaplain for the Peel and Dufferin Regiment and took his turn as Rural Dean.

If you would like a funny story, I think this is good. When Norman Wardlaw was Warden, Jim used to come to the Rectory every morning at breakfast time. One morning, my husband asked, "What are you going to be when you grow up, Jimmie?" Jimmie replied promptly "a lawyer". Bert said, "Wouldn't you like to be a preacher and go up into the pulpit and preach sermons?" Jimmie shook his head. "No, I would rather be a lawyer and take up the collection!"

I hope that I shall see the book if it comes into being.

With kindest regards

Sincerely,

Elizabeth McMaster



ST. MARK'S OFFICIALS, CENTENNIAL YEAR 1937.
Standing: Joseph Lewis, Lay Delegate; Edward Hackett, Vestry Clerk; Albert Mills, Lay Delegate;
Colonel J. A. V. Preston, Lay Delegate; Harold B. Church, Lay Delegate.
Seated: A. H. Woodland, Rector's Warden; J. R. Hoare, People's Warden.

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL CHIMES
June 24th, 1948.

Presented to St. Mark's Anglican Church by the late James W. Hewitt. The donor of the chimes was a building contractor and brick manufacturer and was born in Orangeville. The chimes were made by the Maas Company of California.

ST. MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH SCHOOL

The teaching of the Christian Faith to young and old alike has always been a very strong and integral part of the Anglican tradition.

In St. Mark's Parish this was begun by Seneca Ketchum who, although not an ordained priest, was a licensed layreader and took his work as a lay teacher of the Faith very seriously. This tradition has been carried on ever since by faithful clergy and teachers.

The normal procedure in the Anglican Church is for children to be baptized in infancy and to be confirmed by the Bishop at about the age of 12 or 13. First Communion follows almost immediately and so another communicant member is added to the Church Roll with all rights, privileges, and obligations. There are many persons brought up in this normal way and so the life of the Church goes on generation after generation. Persons see this as their "bounden duty and service" to their Lord. The Church recognizes though that a great many persons are never brought to Holy Baptism or Confirmation. She recognizes also that many who are baptized are never instructed in the Faith or "brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him"

The Christian Church in being true to her commission by Christ must look outward and move outward to reach all persons with the knowledge, the love, and the saving grace of her Saviour.

The actual instruction in the Faith to her people is done by the Church in a two-fold way. First, there is the actual teaching of the content of the Faith and the opportunity for discussion in the classroom situation. This begins at the earliest age of understanding, at the age of three. Prior to this age a nursery is provided where small children can at least get the habit and atmosphere of regularly "going to Church" as a Christian family. At five the added experience of worship in a grown-up atmosphere is given by encouraging children to attend public worship in Church with older brothers, sisters, and parents. Here is true family worship according to ancient tradition. Here all see the importance of the family involved in the larger family of God, the Church, worshipping together at His Altar. This is most effectively done at the Holy Eucharist which is Christ's own Service and which is by far the most important thing Christians do when they meet together. Children, not confirmed, come to the Altar at the time of Communion and receive a Blessing. They are made to feel a real part of the corporate worship of God. They are made to feel "at home" in God's House.

St. Mark's Church School programme covers the entire week. On Sundays children up to the age of eight are instructed at the 9:15 Eucharist and come into Church after the Sermon and remain for the balance of the service, which is the Eucharist proper. On Mondays the Rector and the Parish Deacon teach a pre-Confirmation class after regular day school from 4:15 p.m. until 5:15 p.m.

On Fridays another staff of teachers instruct students ages 9, 10, and 11, again after day school from 4:15 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. The great advantage of week-day classes is that there is a full hour of instruction as against one half hour on Sundays. It is interesting to note that attendance is much more regular and consistent on weekdays than it is on Sundays.

The Course now being used in our Church School is the official Anglican new curriculum. It covers ages three up to adult. Its basic intention is not merely to teach facts and the content of the Christian Faith, but to teach the meaning of our Baptism and how we live this out in our daily lives.

The Church School superintendent is Mr. Chris Kallay and the teaching staff consists of: The Rector, the Parish Deacon, Mrs. C. Kallay, Mrs. J. Rathbone, Mr. Roy Naismith, Miss K. Rathbone, Mr. J.A. Dyce, Mrs. Ross Taylor, Mrs. R. Allan, Miss I. McMillan, Mrs. V. White and Mrs. K. Winter.



The Dedication of St. Mark's Christian Educational Building by the Rt. Rev. W. E. Bagnall D.D., Lord Bishop of Niagara, took place Tuesday November 24th, 1959 at Evensong. Rector - The Rev. David Woeller, B.A.; L.Th. People's Warden - Albert Horlock; Rector's Warden - Arthur Hoare. From left to right: The Rev. John Bartlett; The Rt. Rev. Walter Bagnall; The Rev. David Woeller.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

On November 4, 1901, the Reverend Mr. McWilliams chaired a meeting at St. Mark's, during which a Young People's Association was formed. The following officers were elected to preside during the first year: President - Mr. S. J. Jackson
Vice Presidents - Mr. O. Newton, Mr. W. McNabb,
Misses Darraugh, Tuck

On November 18, 1901, another meeting was held and the following branches were formed:

The Girls' Branch - President - Mrs. Howard Leader;
The Sunday School Branch - President - Mrs. May;
The Ushers' Branch - President - Mrs. S. Jackson.

In 1967, the A.Y.P.A. has a membership of about twenty-five young people of High School age. The group under the capable guidance of the Rev. J. D. Rathbone and Mrs. David Scott have been engaged in a programme of religious study throughout the year, as well as social activity and informative outings to such places as Toronto City Hall, A Jewish Synagogue, and an Indian Reservation.

In 1968, the group will be divided into a Junior division representing grades 9 and 10 and a Senior division representing grades 11-13. It is hoped under this new system to attract more young people in each age group.

Present Executive: President - Miss Sally Keeling
Vice President - Miss Kathy Rathbone
Secretary Treasurer - Miss Hope Harkness

The Y.P.A. project in 1967 is the operation of a teen-age drop-in centre named the Kofy Klatch. It is hoped that this will provide a place of recreation and education, and a place to socialize for young people of all denominations. At the time of publishing as many as thirty young people have attended the Kofy Klatch on Sunday evenings and Friday afternoons, to relax and enjoy the friendship of other Christian young people.



Head Table - St. Mark's Day - April 25th, 1967. At right - The Right Rev. Walter E. Bagnall, and at left Mrs. Bagnall. with the Rev. John D. Rathbone in the centre.



The Rector and Young People on their way to Toronto to hear the "CREEPS" perform their own modern Music Mass at the Church of St. Martin's in-the-Field. May 1966.



CONFIRMATION CLASS, ST. MARK'S, JUNE 28, 1966.

Seated: Patricia Ann Tait, Brenda Elizabeth Carson, Lynda Diane Hunter, The Right Rev. Walter E. Bagnall, Bishop of Niagara, The Rev. J. D. Rathbone, Mary Louise Frampton, Catherine Jane Cooke, Sally Keeling, Lynda Diane Robinson.

Standing: Judith Susanne MacDonald, Susan Brenda Lackey, Mary Catherine Dods, Barbara Joyce McCay, Judith Anne Beck, Jane Louise Beck, Sheila Ann Aitken, Brenda Milson, Ann Elizabeth Woodland, Bruce Ernest Gray, William Crawford, William Edward Robinson, Michael John Heathfield, James Victor Large, Philip Leonard Hudson, John Arthur Hoare, Russell Scott Seltzer, Bryan Edward Snow, Albert Rickey Horlick, Glen Mervin Elliott, Donald Jackson White, Matthew Thirston Rohmer,

J. A. Seltzer - Bishop's Chaplain, Wayne Gibson - Crucifer.

YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH

On September 24, 1900, the Young Men's Association of St. Mark's was formed. The objects of the Association were the mutual improvement of the members and the advancement of the interests of the Church in the Parish. Dr. T. H. Henry was the first President with Messrs. John L. Island, E. Darraugh, S. C. Lee, and Walter Henry as Vice Presidents. Mr. Lindsay Morrison was elected Secretary.

This organization is no longer in existence.

THE GIRLS' AUXILIARY

Mrs. G. A. Rix, wife of Canon Rix organized the Girls' Auxiliary in 1913. The first President was Mrs. Peter McFarlane. The Girls' activities include packing of bales for Indian Schools, Mission study groups, Social evenings, and sending Christmas gifts to Indian children.



St. Mark's Junior Choir 1967 under the direction of Mr. Don Ferguson, Organist and Choir Leader, with Choir Mothers Mrs. J. A. Seltzer and Mrs. D. Middlebrook.



St. Mark's Senior Choir under the direction of Mr. Don Ferguson, Organist and Choir Leader.

MEMORIALS AND GIFTS

- ALTAR, REREDOS, ALTAR RAIL, THREE CHAIRS -
in memory of Judge Maitland and Jane Stewart McCarthy
given by Mr. Leigh McCarthy.
- LARGE BISHOP'S CHAIR -
gift of Mr. Frederick Marshall.
- CHOIR STALLS - 1916
in memory of Dr. and Mrs. James Henry given by their
family.
- WOODEN HYMN BOARD - 1937
in memory of Aunts Alice and Mary Hewat given by Miss
Hewat.
- PRAYER DESK -
in memory of Samuel and Jane Ellis given by James Ellis.
- HYMN BOARDS -
in memory of Emma Jane Hoare given by her husband John
Hoare.
- ORGAN - 1915
\$1,000.00 from Carnegie Foundation and the Congregation.
- LECTERN READING DESK - 1905
in memory of Nanny Kilbert Holland given by her husband
Mr. George Holland.
- CHIMES - 1948
dedicated by James W. Hewitt in memory of his wife.
- PULPIT - 1936
in memory of Ann Marshall beloved wife of Sheriff Henry
Endacott.
- LITANY TABLE -
in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Jack Henry given by her sisters
and son - Myrtle, Bessie, Kathleen and Reid.
- CHANCEL SCREEN -
in loving memory of Ethel Woodland Holmes and Jackson
Armstrong Holmes given by Veryle and Doreen White.
Mother and Father of Doreen.
- SEDELIA SEAT -
in memory of Col. and Mrs. J.A.V. Preston given by their
family.
- BISHOP'S CHAIR -
in memory of Anna Gertrude Irvine 1872-1959.



ST. MARK'S NURSERY SCHOOL 1933-1952

A non-profit nursery school for children age 3 to 6 years was operated for 19 years in St. Mark's Church basement by Mrs. H.A. West-McMaster and her volunteer assistants Mrs. A. Mills and Mrs. R. Christie. Classes were held three mornings a week with an enrolment of over 50. After twelve years of operation, the Town Council finally realized the good work being accomplished and voted a grant of \$25.00 per month, and so Mrs. McMaster's "PLAY-SCHOOL" carried on, the only school of its kind in Canada.

(According to the clipping from the Montreal Standard as reported by Kate Aitken in April 1948.)

From 1949 to 1952 High School Students also assisted Mrs. McMaster.

NORTH WALL WINDOW "LIGHT OF THE WORLD" - 1937
in memory of Stephen Mills given by his wife and daughters.

WINDOW -
in memory of John Ellis - 21 years Superintendent of St. Mark's Sunday School.

WINDOW - 1926
in memory of Robert Hewitt and Mary Jane his wife and sons Albert Ernest and Fredrick Anthony given by the family.

SENECA KETCHUM PLAQUE - 1772-1850
founder of the Parish also Jesse Ketchum Sr., who donated the land on which St. Mark's Church is built.

PLAQUE - 1952
White marble in loving memory of the Rev. Herbert A. West McMaster, 22 years Rector of this Parish. Given by his parishioners.

BRONZE PLAQUE -
in memory of the Men of St. Mark's who fell in the Great War of 1914-1918.

WINDOW -
in memory of Martha Etta Hewitt wife of James Hewitt.

RECTOR'S ROLL -
Roll of Rectors of St. Mark's Parish Church.

EAST WALL ALTAR WINDOW - 1894
Beautiful stained glass window donated by Miss Sarah Jane Pedlow of London, England.

WEST WALL ROLL OF WARDENS -
List of past Wardens of St. Mark's Church.

WINDOW -
in memory of Thomas and Emily Carter and William and Nat Lynn gift of Amanda, Mary and Joseph Tourigny.

ROLL OF SOLDIERS
List of Men enlisted in Second World War 1939-1945.

SOUTH WALL PLAQUE - 1946
marking Window in Tower in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marshall.

HONOUR ROLL - 1939-1945

WINDOW -
in memory of Gertrude Mary Ewing Armstrong wife of Vernet Armstrong.



ST. MARK'S CHURCH, JUNE 5th, 1966 AT THE ORDINATION SERVICE when Mr. J. A. Seltzer of Orangeville and Mr. Thomas Handy of St. James Parish, Dundas, were made Deacons in the Church of God. (L. to R.) The Rev. John Hearder, Deacon, Mono Parish; The Rev. David Woeller, former Rector at St. Mark's and now Director of Personnel, Dept of Missions at Church House in Toronto; The Rev. Thomas Handy, now Rector of St. Paul's, Mount Forest; Canon F. John Bartlett, Hamilton, a former Rector of St. Mark's, now Chaplain of St. John's convalescent hospital, Newtonbrook, (Toronto); The Right Rev. Charles Robert Heber Wilkinson, Assistant Bishop of Niagara, who conducted the service of Ordination; The Rev. Clarence M. Mitchell, Burlington, Bishop's Chaplain; The Rev. Canon W. J. Robinson, Hamilton, Examining Chaplain, who preached the sermon, now Rector of St. George's, Guelph; The Rev. J. A. Seltzer; The Ven. J. H. Ferris, Grimsby, Examining Chaplain; The Rev. John D. Rathbone.

In the year 1855 when he was 77 years old, Bishop Strachan held an average of one confirmation service every third day and laid his hands on 4,299 persons.

TABLET -
in memory of Henry Stewart (Harry) Lewis - Croix de
Guerre - erected by his mother.

WINDOW -
in memory of James and Janet Reaburn by her family.

MARBLE PLAQUE -
in memory of the Rev. Canon Alex Henderson - 1861 - 1901
erected by the Parishioners - Easter 1922.

SAMUEL E. LACKEY PROFICIENCY AWARD -
Presented by the Parish in recognition of Outstanding
Service as Teacher and Superintendent in St. Mark's
Church School - June 1963 -

CHALICES - Oct. 1875
matched set.

WINE FLAGON -
gift to St. Mark's Church Oct. 1875.

SILVER JEWELLED CHALICE AND PATEN 1898 -
in memory of Jane E. Webber.

BRASS ALMS BASIN -
in memory of William Shillinglaw Hewitt M.D. and Matilda
Moore his wife given by their children.

PRAYER BOOK -
In memory of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith by Bertha,
Florence and John.

TALL CANDLESTICKS -
two - given by friends of the Parish.

SMALL BRASS CANDLESTICKS -
in memory of Dr. and Mrs. W. Hewat by Nellie Hewat.

BRASS STANDARD LIGHT -
in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Robinson given by the
family.

BRASS STANDARD LIGHT -
in memory of Mr. Henry Endacott given by his family.

BREAD BOX - 1931
Sterling silver box given by the J.A. Easter 1931.

FOUR COLLECTION PLATES - 1935
given by the G.A. in memory of Susannah Hughson.

ALTAR CROSS - 1936
Given by Col. and Mrs. G.M. Fitzgerald. In Memory of
Duncan, Margaret, and Terrance Fitzgerald and Mary
Pinder.



The Rector's two brothers assist at a Service in St. Mark's. At Left: Murray Rathbone - at present organist and choir master at St. Peter's Church in Cobourg. At Right - Bruce Rathbone, business manager of the Canadian Churchman paper. Bruce preached the sermon.

BRASS FLOWER VASES -
in loving memory of Elizabeth Mills 1847-1938 given by
her daughter Miss Ethel M. Allen.

PROCESSIONAL CROSS -
in loving memory of Nettie Mills 1881-1955 gift of the
Parish.

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER - 1950
in memory of George and Elizabeth Bennett parents of
Elizabeth West McMaster gift of Mr. and Mrs. Charles
Bailey.

WHITE ANTIPENDIUM - 1958
in memory of Mrs. Arthur Robinson given by the family.

BREAD BOX -
Sterling silver box given by the J.A. Christmas 1959.

CRYSTAL CRUET
in memory of Jackson Armstrong Holmes given by Dr. and
Mrs. Moorhouse.

SACRISTY -
The Sacristy in the New Wing was made possible by the
generosity of Mr. Fred Orpen.

CROSSES
on the walls of the Sacristy and Server's Vestry given
by Dr. and Mrs. Moorhouse.

SET OF PURPLE ALTAR VESTMENTS - 1960
Superfrontal, Burse, Veil, 2 sets of markers, Antependium,
and stole given by Mr. Fred Orpen.

SET OF PRIVATE COMMUNION LINEN - 1961
in memory of Robert Horley given by Dr. and Mrs. Moor-
house.

SANCTUARY LAMP - 1962
A Thankoffering from the Parish to Miss Ethel Allen
for her faithful service as Organist and Choir Master.

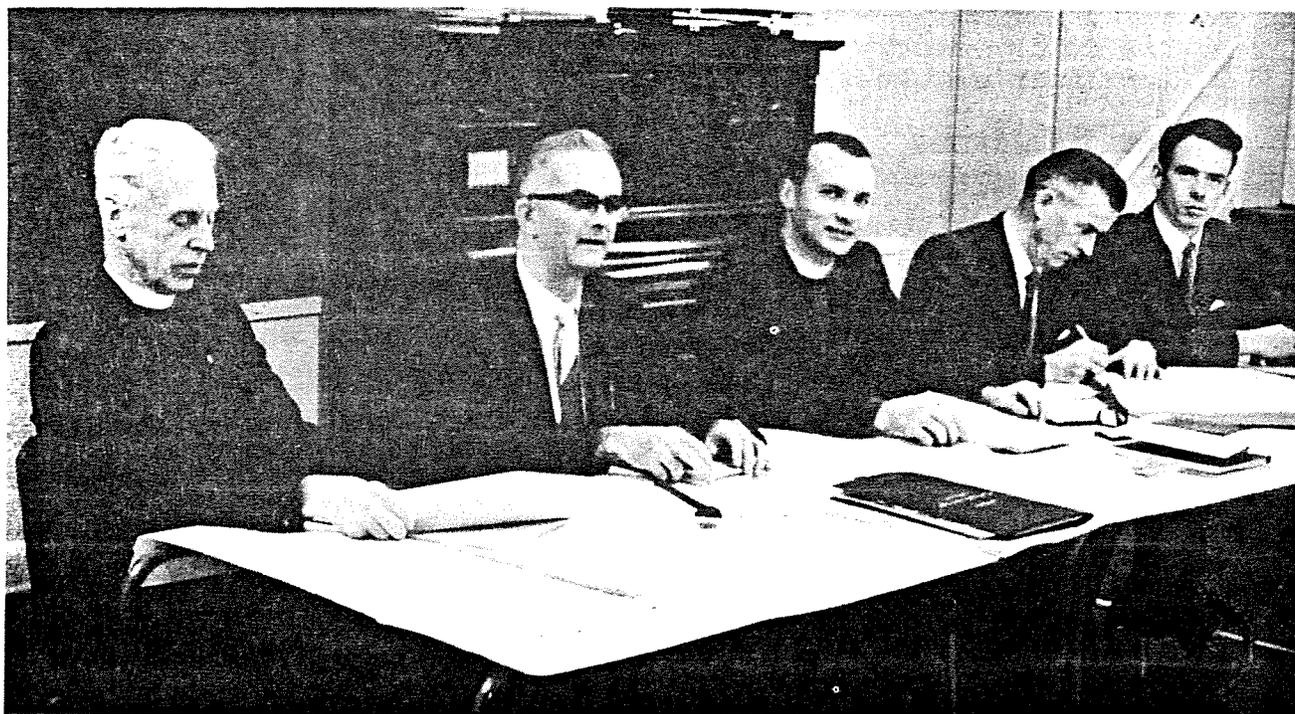
SILVER BAPTISMAL SHELL -
A thankoffering - anon.

STERLING LAVABO BOWL
A thankoffering from D.G.M.

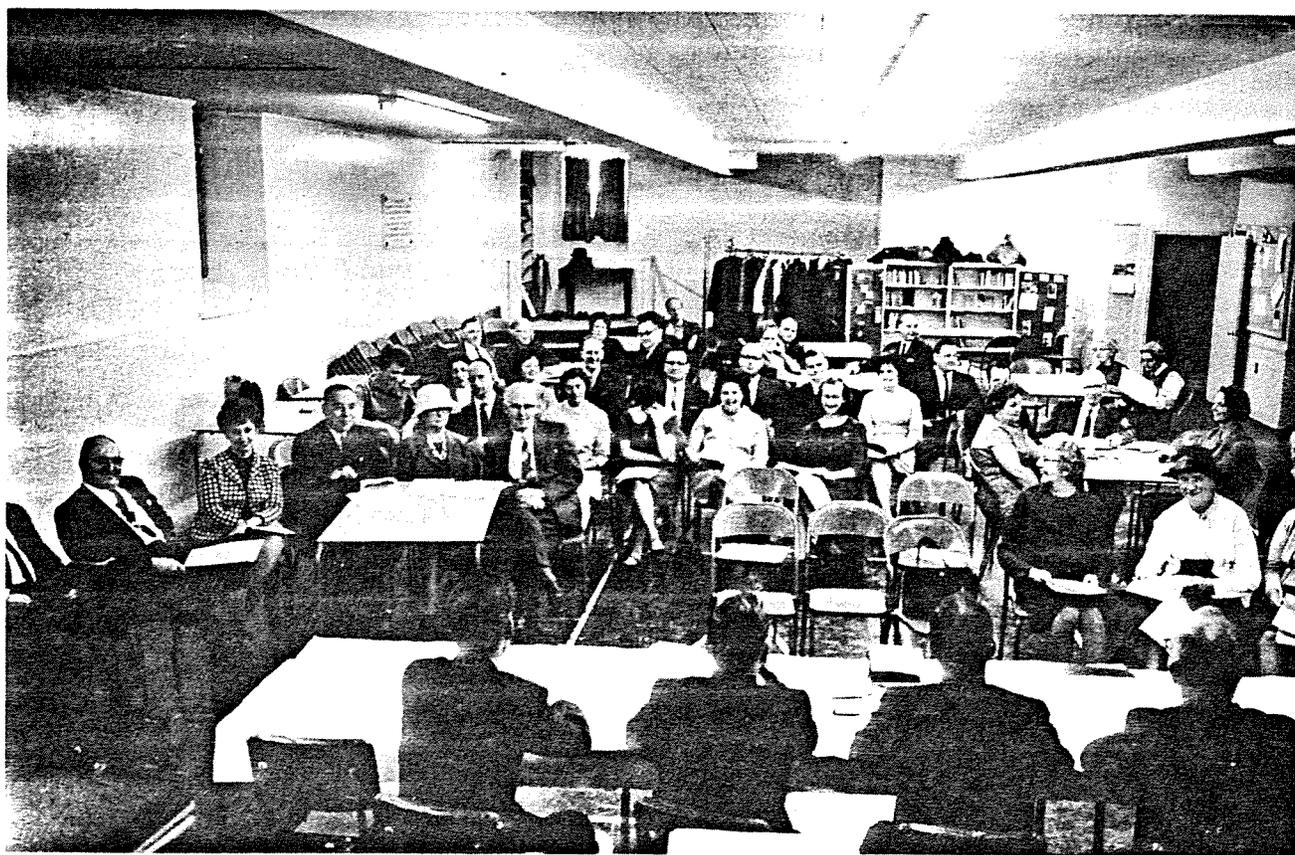
PYX -
in memory of Florence Wardlaw given by the family.

FONT LINER AND BAPTISMAL EWER - 1963
in memory of Thomas Goodeve given by Mrs. Annice Silk.

MEMORIAL BOOK - 1963
in memory of Mr. Thomas Goodeve given by Mrs. Annice
Silk.



Vestry Meeting - January 1968. (L. to R.) The Rev. J. A. Seltzer, Deacon; Mr. Elgin Stott, the Rector's Warden; The Rev. J. D. Rathbone, Chairman; Mr. Veryle White, Vestry Clerk; Mr. Harold Speers, the People's Warden.



Vestry Meeting January 1968, in St. Mark's Parish Hall.

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SET OF RED ALTAR VESTMENTS -

June 28th, 1964 - Burse, Veil, Stole and Antependium

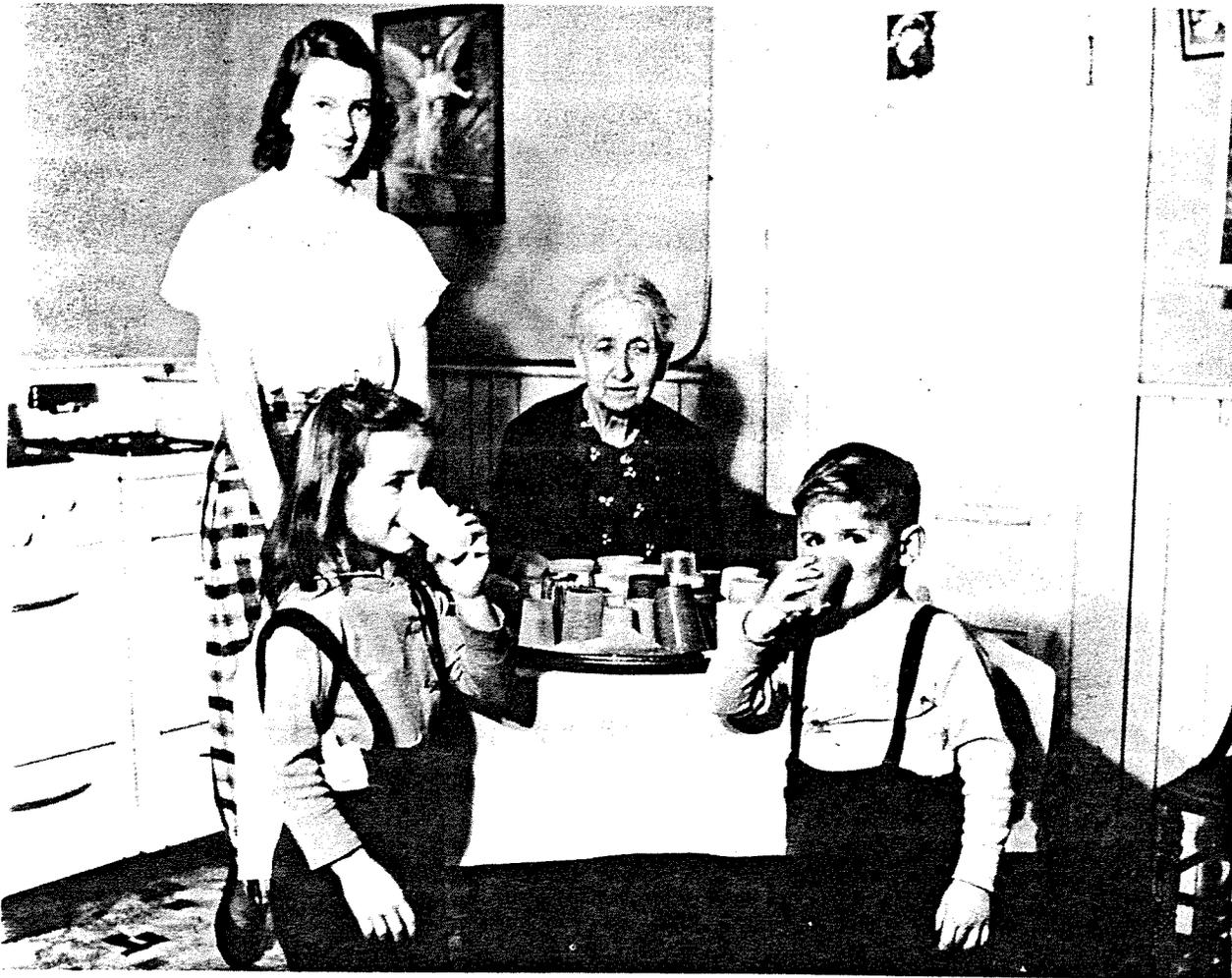
ONE RED MARKER FOR LECTERN BIBLE -

ONE RED MARKER FOR ALTAR BOOK -

ONE SMALL CRYSTAL WATER CRUET -

ALTAR FAIR LINEN AND OTHER LINEN - 1966

as a Thankoffering from Mrs. J. A. Seltzer for the
Ordination to the Diaconate of the Reverend J. A.
Seltzer.



Lorraine Glover (High School Student) aids Mrs. Mills with the St. Mark's Nursery School 1950.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH OFFICIALS 1967



Mr. Elgin Stott
Rector's Warden



Mr. Harold Speers
People's Warden



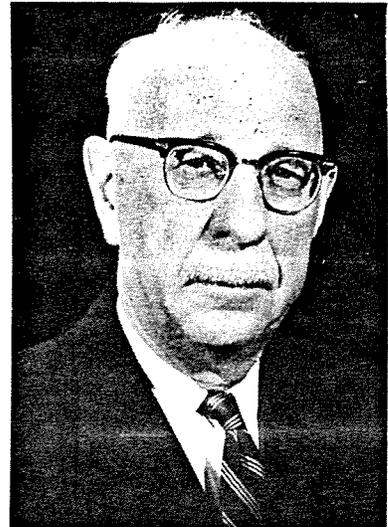
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Lay Delegate



Mr. Gordon Bredin
Alternate Lay Delegate



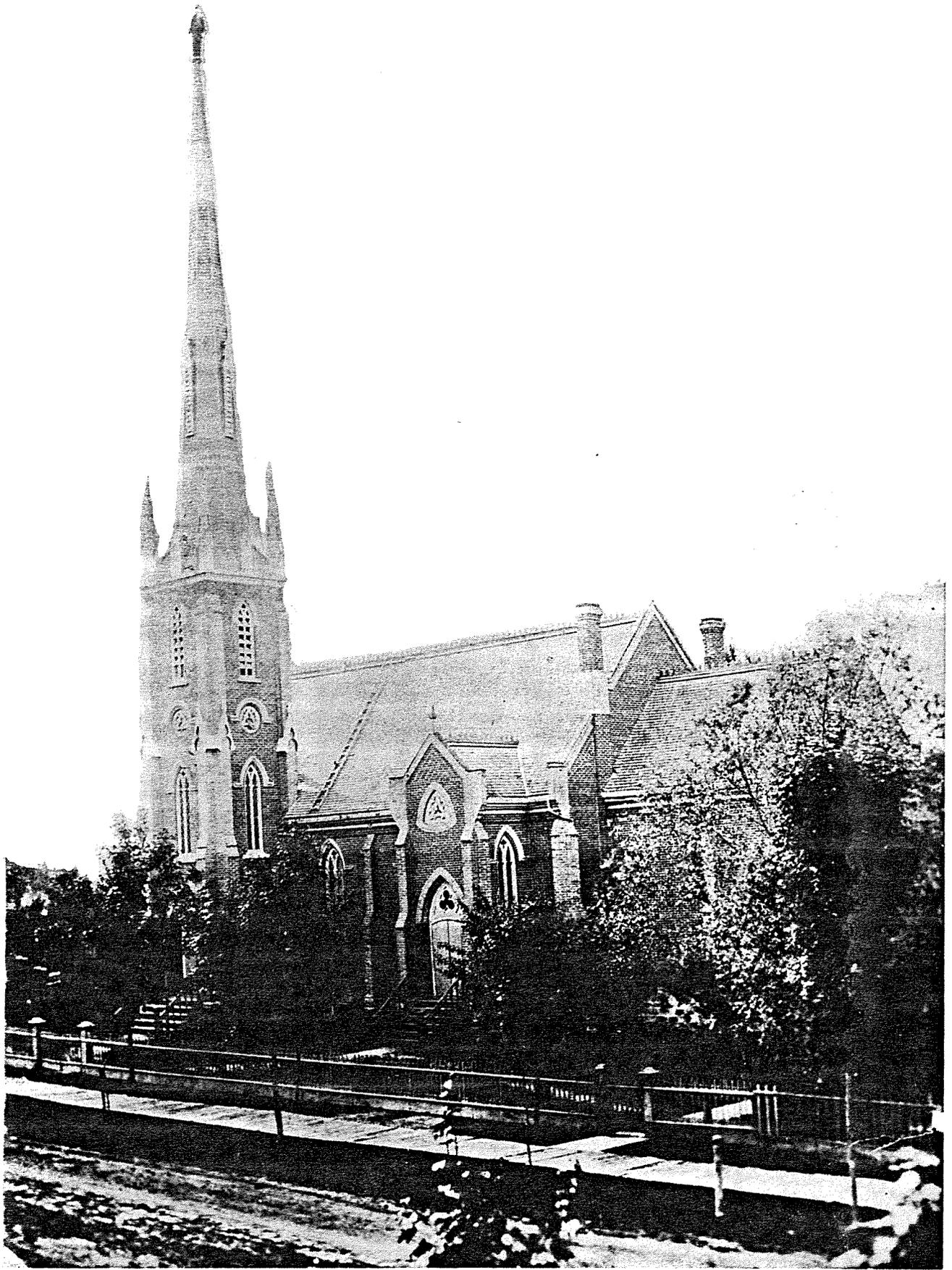
Mr. Reg. Hoare
Lay Delegate



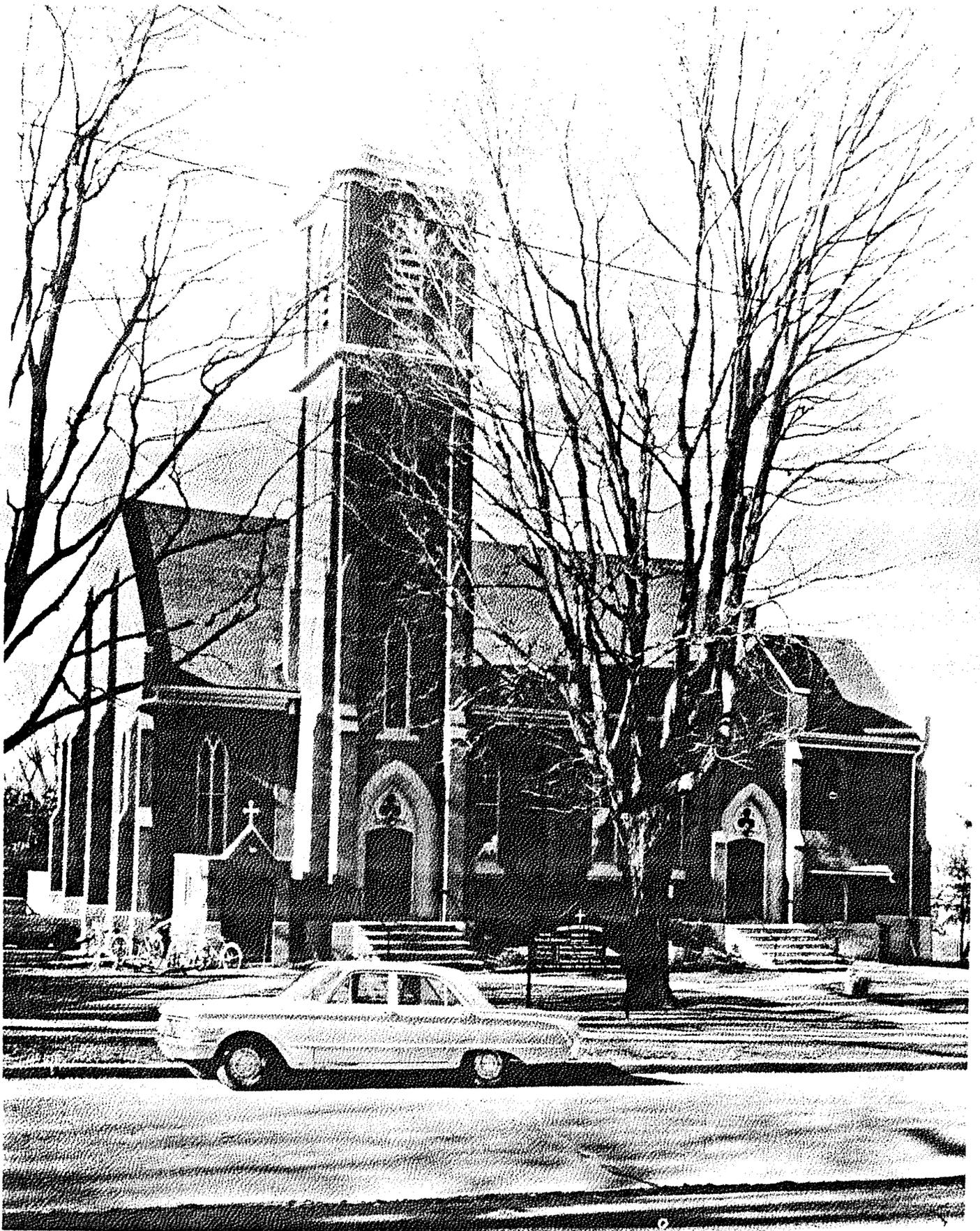
Col. G. M. Fitzgerald
Lay Delegate



Mrs. C. H. Eaton of Guelph, Northern Vice-President of the Niagara Diocesan Board A.C.W. presented Mrs. O. Whitfield with a Life Membership at the annual 1967 June Meeting. To Mrs. Whitfield's right are Mrs. Norman Trower, Miss Marjorie Cluff and the Rev. J. D. Rathbone.



Picture shows St. Mark's Church as it appeared in the early 1870's. Mr. John Wallace of Orangeville who helped to build it, is shown standing on a scaffold at the top of the spire. The spire was blown down by a great storm in August of 1887.



St. Mark's Anglican Church after the exterior was restored by the Quick-Brick Company of Toronto

FRONT COVER DESIGN: The front cover of this book was designed by Charles Rathbone of Toronto who is a cousin of our Rector - The Rev. J. D. Rathbone.

