

# The Hampton Hill Parish Magazine.

APRIL, 1885.

## OFFERTORIES.

		£	s.	d.
Sunday, Feb. 22.—	Bishop of London's Fund ... ..	6	18	3
„ Mar. 1.—	General Fund... ..	4	6	4½
„ „ 8.—	General Fund... ..	3	7	0½
„ „ 15.—	General Fund... ..	3	3	7½

## EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

### BAPTISMS.

- Feb. 22.—Maud Emily Smith.
- Mar. 1.—Mike Smith.
- „ 8.—Elsie Pounds.
- „ 8.—Frederick Charles Durnford
- „ 8.—Harry Abbott Durnford.
- „ 8.—Edward George Mansell.
- „ 8.—Albert Henry Bacon.
- „ 8.—Sidney William Watson.
- „ 8.—Frederick Gregory.

### BAPTISMS.

- Mar. 8.—Harold Walter Barclay.
- „ 8.—Flora Mary Esther Barclay
- „ 8.—Bertha Elizabeth Katie Barclay.
- „ 8.—Charles Gordon Stuart Barclay.
- „ 8.—Etty Adelina Barclay
- „ 8.—Eva Emily Barclay.

### BURIAL.

Mar. 2.—Jane Wright, 56 years.

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Mar. 3.—Mary Ann Emma Sykes, 46 years

## HYMNS FOR APRIL.

W. 109 | 101 | 466, 190, Story of the Cross. Maunday—Thursday, 315 | 110 | 472, 315, Story of the Cross. Good Friday, 114, 113, 104 | 99, 100, 103, 101 | 121, 123, 122. Sa. 124 | 131, 125, 137, 274. April 5, Easter Day, 127, 128, 324 | 134, 135 | 134, 131 | 131, 134, 133, 130, 140. M. 131. Tu. 136. W. 125. Th. 197. F. 131. Sa. 125. April 12, 1st after Easter, 137. 138, 129, 136 | 125, 137 | 134, 135, 222, 128, 215. M. 4. Tu. 217. W. 199. Th. 269. F. 255. Sa. 242. April 19, 2nd after Easter, 316 | 139, 135 | 139, 126 part i, 232. M. 207. Tu. 291. W. 273. Th. 268. F. 265. Sa. *S. Mark*, 410. April 26, 3rd after Easter, 138, 299, 302 | 136, 473, 302 | 132, 224, 235. M. 210. Tu. 199. W. 182. Th. 42.

**Good Friday.**—Of late years, the observance of Good Friday has in many respects greatly improved for the better, yet there are still a multitude of people who look on the day only as a national holiday, which in the case of many, ends in the indulgence of those very sins which nailed the Saviour to the Cross. To such the mournful question of the prophet—“Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? Behold and see if there be any sorrow-like unto my sorrow”—has apparently no meaning, for they pass and re-pass the cross: some, as of old, in derision at the sufferer, others in utter carelessness of all that Good Friday speaks of. God grant that none who read these words may be guilty this year of such indifference, still less of open sin; but that by denying ourselves and coming apart to mourn awhile with Christ

in all His sufferings for us, we may, on Easter Day, be partakers with Him of the joys of His Resurrection through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Temperance.**—Our Total Abstinence Society continues to hold its Meetings every Monday evening, and the cause of Temperance seems to be gaining ground. One evening, about 3 weeks ago, no fewer than 27 persons subscribed to the Pledge, and there are about 80 names of total abstainers now on the roll of the Society. A Club has been formed for the use of the members of the Society, at the FitzWygram Coffee House. The Club room is open every evening from 7 to 10, and already 30 members have been enrolled. The payment is 1d. per week. A very able as well as interesting and amusing lecture was delivered at the meeting, which took place on Monday, March 9th, by Mr. Verney, of Kingston. Some of the statistics which were most forcibly put before the meeting, by means of large diagrams were very striking. For example, the total annual expenditure of this country on bread is £70,000,000, whilst on intoxicating drinks nearly double that sum, or £136,000,000; and the total rent of agricultural lands does not amount to more than £60,000,000. £3 17s. 8d. per annum must be therefore credited to every man, woman or child in the country as spent on intoxicants. If you bring these figures close home, you find that £7766 13s. 4d. is the proportionate share spent in one year by the inhabitants of Hampton Hill, whereas their bread bill does not amount to more than £4000. These figures suggest a ready way of driving starvation away from the doors of those who are suffering even in these bad times. In reference to the alleged nourishing qualities of beer, Mr. Verney showed that about nine-tenths of it was pure water, nearly one-tenth alcohol or spirit, which only stimulates for the time and contains no nutriment whatever, and the remainder a very small quantity of very dirty sugar, and this last alone contained any nourishment. These statistics are taken from analyses published by Government officials, and may be seen at the Bethnal Green Museum.

**Hampton Hill Day Nursery.**—This Institution has been established in the High Street for the purpose of taking in the infants of poor women who are obliged to go out to work. These little babies often wither and fade from neglect, or the seeds of ill-health and suffering are sown, which mar the comfort and happiness of life. It is hoped that with care and good nursing, in a warm and comfortable room, many, who otherwise would be neglected, may grow up into strong and healthy children. A charge of 6d. per day per child is made, but this is not sufficient to cover the cost of rent, food and other expenses. The help of all is earnestly asked, and especially of mothers whose children are provided with every comfort, and are soothed and caressed in all their little troubles. These little helpless ones appeal most pathetically to the kind sympathies of our readers. Subscriptions and contributions of toys, clothes, &c. will be gladly received by the Hon. Mrs. BLIGH, the Vicarage, or Mrs. GARNONS, Fownhope.

**Confirmation.**—According to the programme arranged by our late good Bishop before his death, a Confirmation is appointed to be held at Hampton Hill on Friday, July 17th, at Three o'clock. All who wish to be confirmed are requested to give in their names at once to the Vicar. The classes for candidates will at once be formed and the course of preparation will be commenced in May.

**Horticultural and Cottage Garden Society.**—Under the patronage of H. R. H. PRINCESS FREDERICA, who has promised, if possible, to be present, the Annual Show will be held at Manor House, on Wednesday, July 8th, 1885. Special Prizes are again offered this year for the best kept Cottage Gardens, and intending competitors must send their names to Mr. F. MARTIN by Saturday, April 5th.

**Baptisms.**—Children to be baptized are to be brought on Easter Day, instead of the second Sunday this month.

**Easter Vestry.**—The Vestry Meeting for the election of Churchwardens and other parochial business will be holden in the Parish Church, Hampton Hill, on Wednesday, April 8th, 1885.

**ALMS ACCOUNT**

*For Year ending December 31st, 1884.*

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance in hand . . . . .	35	3	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	Distributed by the District			
Offerories . . . . .	11	9	9	Visitors . . . . .	15	5	0
Christmas Offertory . . . . .	7	8	5	Journeys to Convalescent			
Churchings . . . . .	1	4	6	Home . . . . .	3	13	6
Garrick's Charity . . . . .	5	0	0	Coals . . . . .	12	3	1
Private Celebrations . . . . .	0	15	0	Surgical Instrument . . . . .	1	0	0
				Balance in hand . . . . .	28	19	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
	<u>£61</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub></u>		<u>£61</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub></u>

**Shall I keep Bees?**—This is a question, to which if you have a suitable garden, you should certainly answer "Yes"! For in the first place there is no more interesting a pastime than bee-keeping. The habits of this industrious little insect and the internal economy of its habitation, which under the present improved system is open to our investigations, are full of interest. The honey produced, at little or no cost, contributes a most pleasing addition to the luxuries of our table. Nor is this all, a properly managed apiary would pay the poor man's rent, and thus materially add to his means of livelihood. There is one little hindrance to uninterrupted enjoyment, and it is the bee's sting. But the bee is not naturally savage, and never stings except it is in defence of itself or hive. If properly handled bees are most docile, and hive after hive may be opened, and completely examined without a single sting. In connection with this subject it may be well to state that an effort is now being made to thoroughly establish in every part of the county, the Middlesex Bee-keeper's Association, which is affiliated to the British Bee-keeper's Association. Working men may become members, and receive instructions from the expert, from time to time, at their own homes, for a subscription of 2s. 6d. per annum.

