

The Hampton Hill Parish Magazine.

AUGUST, 1886.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
Sunday, June 27.—General Fund	3	5	9½
„ July 4.—General Fund	3	9	0½
„ „ 11.—General Fund	3	14	11
„ „ 18.—General Fund	3	12	7¼

EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

BAPTISMS.

July 7.—Violet Maude Henry.
„ 7.—Reginald George Henry.

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July 11.—Ethel May Spearing.
„ 11.—Florence May Dobson.

BURIALS.

June 24.—Elizabeth Tate, 79 years.
July 6.—John Templeton, 83 years.

HYMNS FOR AUGUST.

August 1st, 6th after Trinity, 316 | 445, 291 | 239, 441, 228.
M. 26. Tu. 207. W. 260. Th. 238. F. 255. S. 261. August 8th,
7th after Trinity, 196, 265, 233 | 240, 342 | 241, 19, 223. M. 224.
Tu. 210. W. 194. Th. 179. F. 17. Sa. 242. August 15th, 8th
after Trinity, 322 | 225, 298 | 268, 12, 234. M. 199. Tu. 193.
W. 265. Th. 24. F. 184. Sa. 189. August 22nd, 9th after Trinity,
6, 211, 231 | 299, 193 | 224, 17, 259. M. 178. Tu. *S. Bartholemew*,
447. W. 183. Th. 273. F. 254. Sa. 269. August 29th, 10th after
Trinity, 245, 181, 306 | 334, 473, 338 | 246, 182, 23. M. 170. Tu. 23.

Choir Treat.—It is hoped that an excursion for the men at least of our Choir may be arranged this summer. Nothing of the sort has hitherto been attempted, but such expeditions are more the rule than otherwise amongst our neighbours. It is hoped that some help may be given towards this object by those who attend the services of our Church, as an expression of good feeling and appreciation of the voluntary work of those upon whom the musical part of our services depends.

Diocesan Conference.—It may not be uninteresting to our readers to know that a Conference of laymen and clergy under the presidency of the Bishop, to discuss matters of interest to Churchmen, is held every year. The elections of lay and clerical representatives for our Deanery has been proceeding during the past month.

Diocesan Inspection.—The inspection of our Schools took place on Monday July 12th, when the Inspector, the Rev. B. Reynolds gave a very good report of all the Schools. We hope to give it more fully on a future occasion. Teachers and children alike have heard with sorrow of the premature death of the Rev. Louis Stokes, who was one of the Diocesan Inspectors, and often came to our Schools.

The Flower Show.—Everything seemed to go well at our Show in the Vicarage Gardens on Wednesday July 14th. The weather in the early morning was somewhat threatening, but a strong wind kept off the rain and dried up the ground which had been thoroughly soaked during the night. The morning was fully occupied with preparations for the Show, and especially in the tent devoted to the various floral arrangements and devices were many busy hands at work. The gates were opened at two o'clock, but no great number of people arrived till the first reduction of prices at four, and shortly after six the grounds were full, and perhaps the largest number of people assembled that we have yet seen at our Annual Show. It would be invidious to single out any of the exhibitors for special distinction, but the prize list, which has been published in full, gives the names of those who were successful. Suffice it to say that there was an abundance of excellent fruit and vegetables, that the pot flowers were fully up to the mark; and some excellent collections of hot-house plants adorned the larger tent. The arrangements of cut flowers were the best that we have seen, and in addition to the various table decorations and bouquets, this year there were classes for crosses and wreaths which produced some beautiful exhibits. There was also a good collection of wild flowers exhibited by children, some of which were very pretty. The Show of Honey, owing to the backwardness of the season was poor, many bee-keepers not being able to show because they had nothing finished. The attractions during the afternoon included manipulations of bees by a very experienced and successful Bee-keeper—Miss Gayton, of Much Hadham in Hertfordshire. This lady has proved her capability of bee-management by the number of first prizes which she has carried off from the best shows in the country during the last few years. Last week she gained the first prize for extracted honey at the Royal Agricultural Show at Norwich. In the refreshment tent fruit, ices and other good things were served by a band of volunteers for the occasion. A military band played during the afternoon, and so the time passed quickly by. At six o'clock there was a performance given by the Hampton Fire Brigade, who arrived in full costume mounted upon their engine. The various drills and performances by one, two or more men showed the agility with which the engine could be worked in case of need. An extempore fire escape in the shape of a ladder against a tree, afforded an opportunity for showing the way in which persons might be saved in a fire. On this occasion one of the firemen carried one of his comrades down the ladder. The last act consisted in the distribution of the prizes, and after one or two customary speeches, we were pleased to hear a few words from our Member, Mr. Dixon-Hartland, who showed his interest in our local amusements by driving down all the way from London to be present at our Show.

Address of Local Letters.—It is a mistake to suppose that the addition of the word “local” to the address is correct. The other day a post card so directed was surcharged 1d. as “*contrary to regulations,*” and in answer to enquiry, the Secretary of the General Post Office wrote as follows:—“The word ‘Local’ has never been recognised as forming part of the actual address, which alone is allowed on the face of a post card. The addition of this word, moreover, in no way facilitates the delivery of a card or letter, nor does it assist the sorting officers. It is hoped that you will be good enough, as far as may lie in your power, to remove the erroneous impression which seems to prevail in your neighbourhood, upon the subject.”

Great National Honey Show.—We would call attention to the Show which is now going on (July 30th—August 5th inclusive) in the large Conservatory at the Colonial Exhibition, South Kensington. We would suggest that to those who are interested in Bee-keeping, that this is a specially favourable opportunity for a visit to the “Colonies.” One chief feature of the show is a competition between the various Counties, in which our own County, Middlesex, takes a part, and for which the construction of the Trophy was entrusted to a tradesman in this village.

Train Service.—To a large proportion of the inhabitants of Hampton Hill, a good train service is of the first importance. The present arrangement certainly admits of improvement. A petition to the Directors of the London and South Western Railway is now lying for signature at the Post Office, to which it is hoped as many as possible will add their names.

Allotments.—A portion of the Hampton Glebe—our “Common,” as we call it—has been set apart by the Vicar of Hampton for allotments. We are very glad to see the allotment system extending itself around us. By this means the difficulties which working men now meet with, owing to the scarcity of work, can best be met, and to some extent be overcome.

In Memoriam.

At the age of nearly eighty-four there has passed away one who was known to many of us as a quiet and retiring old gentleman, but whom we could scarcely realise as the famous tenor singer of fifty years ago, JOHN TEMPLETON. At one time chosen to accompany the celebrated Malibran, for many years the popular tenor of our country, and throughout America too. He retired into private life about thirty years ago, and unheeded by the busy world has spent his declining years in his pleasant little home in our village. In a full old age, respected by those who knew him, he has passed to his rest and is buried in the same grave as his wife in our Churchyard.

CHURCH CALENDAR

FOR

AUGUST, 1886.

1	S	6th after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
2	M	
3	Tu	
4	W	
5	Th	
6	F	
7	Sa	
8	S	7th after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. ; Baptisms, 3.30 p.m.
9	M	
10	Tu	
11	W	
12	Th	
13	F	
14	Sa	
15	S	8th after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
16	M	
17	Tu	
18	W	
19	Th	
20	F	
21	Sa	
22	S	9th after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. <i>S. Bartholomew.</i> Celebration 11 a.m. Provident Club, Vicarage, 12.15 p.m
23	M	
24	Tu	
25	W	
26	Th	
27	F	
28	Sa	
29	S	
30	M	
31	Tu	

(There will be no Communicant Classes this month).