

The Hampton Hill Parish Magazine.

NOVEMBER, 1889.

OFFERTORIES.

		£	s.	d.
Sunday, September 22nd.	—General Fund.....	2	13	7
" " 29th.	—General Fund.....	2	4	6
Harvest Festival, October 2nd,	} Tower and Spire.....	13	3	4½
Sunday, October 6th.				
" " 13th.	—General Fund.....	2	11	9
" " 20th.	—General Fund.....	2	5	7½

EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

BAPTISMS.

Oct. 13.—Leonard Stauley McKenzie.
 „ 13.—Alice Ethel Tisdale.

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Oct. 13.—Ernest Alfred Mark Kolbe.
 „ 19.—Eric Alfred Henry.

MARRIAGES.

Sept. 23.—John Coles and Mary Boxall.
 „ 26.—Amos Honour and Sarah Garnett.
 Oct. 10.—Arthur Cooper and Rose de la Rue.

BURIAL.

September 24.—Joseph Sharp, 38 years.

HYMNS FOR NOVEMBER.

Th. 26. F. *All Saints*, 427. Sa. 429. November 3rd, 20th after Trinity, 427 | 427, 447 | Anthem, 429, 428. M. 4. Tu. 246. W. 193. Th. 224. F. 183. Sa. 22. November 10, 21st after Trinity, 4, 269, 246 | 215, 327 | 268, 176, 21. M. 279. Tu. 261. W. 269. Th. 197. F. 254. Sa. 242. November 17, 22nd after Trinity, 214 | 261, 193 | 216, 218, 258. M. 238. Tu. 29. W. 260. Th. 225. F. 265. Sa. 24. November 24, 23rd after Trinity, 217, 284, 306 | 337, 473, 334 | 291, 272, 287. M. 194. Tu. 189. W. 180. Th. 165. F. 255. Sa. *S. Andrew*, 403.

Harvest Festival.—Again we are thankful to be able to record a very successful Festival. Large congregations, both on the Festival evening, Wednesday, October 2nd, and on the Sunday evening following; a large number of communicants; hearty services—the choir mustering in great force and showing a still continuing improvement in the singing; fairly good offertories for the Tower and Spire debt, amounting to upwards of £14. The decorations rich, with all the colouring of fruit and flowers and autumn-coloured leaves, were quite in accordance with the joyful nature of our great thanksgiving festival. The Rev. L. H. Wellesley Wesley was the preacher, and his earnest eloquent sermon was so impressive, so home-thrust, that “it was not,” as one of the congregation remarked as he left the Church, “a sermon which you could talk about, it went too near home for that.”

School Board—We are very sorry to announce that the Committee of Managers have reluctantly decided that our Church Schools must

be closed, unless some relief can be found for our present financial difficulty before the end of the present year. In that case a School Board for this parish, as well as the parish of Hampton, will immediately be established. Our deficiency does not appear large compared with the largeness of the work which costs about £700 per annum; of this sum our total revenue falls short by £40, and consequently, we are slowly, but surely, becoming involved in debt. It is not too late to mend matters now, but it will be in two months' time! Can we persuade our friends to make one more effort to save an institution which ensures, as no School Board can, a really good religious education for our children?

Gospel Mission Services.—We call the attention of our readers to an attempt which is being made to render the Mission Services more attractive to those for whose benefit they are specially intended. There are many, alas! who seldom if ever enter a place of worship, and thus keep themselves beyond the reach of the Gospel message of salvation which is continually being uttered from the throne of grace. How are these to be reached? How best may their hearts be reached and the word of God's love come home to their souls? It has often been found that those who cannot be persuaded to come to Church, may be induced to attend a less formal service in a schoolroom or mission room. Such services have been held in this parish, in the mission rooms in the Eastbank Road and in the Pantile Fields. The difficulty is to get those for whom they are specially intended to come. An attempt will be made during these coming winter months to render them more attractive, even to those who are careless about their souls. In addition to the usual short service of prayers and hymns, reading of Holy Scripture and address, it is proposed by the help of some of the members of the Hampton Hill Orchestral Society, to add some sacred music both vocal and instrumental. We hope that more may come, and that when they have come, the loving words of Jesus, as they fall into the softened corner of many a too long hardened heart, may bear its fruit, in awakening the careless and bringing home those who have wandered far from the fold. The mission service is intended to be the stepping stone to the Church, and we earnestly ask those who know the blessedness of the Christian privileges which they enjoy, to help us by using their best endeavours to bring all they can to hear the word of God. These services will be held alternately at the Eastbank Road and Pantile Fields mission rooms on Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Temperance.—The sixth season of the work of the Hampton Total Abstinence Society commenced on Monday, October 7th, with a most successful and crowded meeting at the Congregational School. Henry Raywood, who appeared, if we are not mistaken, for the eleventh time at these our meetings, met with a most enthusiastic reception, and kept the audience spell-bound for upwards of two hours. There is no limit to his powers of holding the attention of his hearers, if he is not speaking he is singing, or if he is not singing he is playing—one continuous effort. On one of the first occasions that he appeared in Hampton Hill, there were no less than twenty-seven who signed the pledge. The cordial support of the Temperance cause is earnestly asked for from all. If people could only see the veil removed, and know really what drink is doing amongst us, the misery and darkness and

starvation of the homes, the ruin of what might have been bright lives, the sad experience of those who have to work amongst the victims of the demon drink, we should have more temperate people, ready to lend a helping hand, ready to practise self-denial themselves, in the hope of rescuing and saving their erring brothers and sisters. We commend Temperance to them as a noble cause. We ask them for their sympathy and help.

Vicarage Work Party.—The work meetings which are held by the Hampton Hill Branch of the Ladies' Association of S.P.G., commenced on Wednesday, October 9th, and will be continued fortnightly throughout the winter season. The last parcel of work was sent by the London Committee to Cawnpore, and "fully approved of." The object of Working Parties is to diffuse information and increase the interest in Missions, especially in that part of the work pertaining to women. There is no fixed rate of subscription, but all are invited to give what they can, and the amount raised, after deducting the expenses, is remitted to the Ladies' Association. The following days are fixed for the meetings:—Wednesday, October 9th, 23rd, November 6th, 20th, December 4th, 18th, January 1st, 16th, February 5th, 19th, March 5th, 19th.

Winter Entertainments.—A determined effort is now being made to carry out a programme during the present season, which shall prove acceptable to all classes. The entertainments will be given every fortnight during the next four months, and will include two dramatic performances, one tableaux entertainment, three concerts, and two parish teas. We call special attention to the fact that the price of the concerts and parish teas is fixed with a view to putting them within the reach of as many as possible of the inhabitants of the place. The charge of 6d. for the parish tea includes the cost of a good tea as well as admission to entertainment which follows. The charge for admission to the concerts will be only 2d. and 6d. for reserved and numbered seats. It is hoped that all will rally round the committee who are endeavouring to provide these entertainments, and by their regular attendance make them a success.

The following is the programme which has already been commenced:—

Tuesday, October 22nd	...	...	Concert.
Thursday, November 7th	...	...	Parish Tea.
Tuesday, ,, 12th	...	...	Concert and Tableaux.
Tuesday, December 3rd	...	...	Dramatic Entertainment.
Tuesday, ,, 17th	..	...	Concert.
Tuesday, January 14th	...	...	Concert.
Thursday, ,, 30th	...	...	Parish Tea.
Tuesday, February 18th	...	...	Dramatic Entertainment.

In addition to the above there will probably be a Primrose League Entertainment about November 20th, and the mothers' meeting supper about January 1st.

Church Workers.—Recent events in which many of us were greatly interested have deprived us of the services of some of our parochial staff. In the face of the coming winter, the heaviest time for parish work, we would be glad to fill up vacancies as soon as possible, and would welcome the offers of volunteers for District Visitors, especially teachers in the Sunday School.

CHURCH CALENDAR

FOR

NOVEMBER, 1889.

1	F	<i>All Saints.</i> Celebrations, 7.30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Meeting of Sunday School Teachers, Vicarage, 5.45 p.m.
2	S	
3	S	20th after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a. m.
4	M	
5	Tu	
6	W	Mission Service, Pantile Fields, 8 p.m.
7	Th	Parish Tea, Boys' School, 6.45 p.m.
8	F	
9	S	
10	S	21st after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. Baptisms, 3.30 p.m.
11	M	
12	Tu	Concert and Tableaux, Boys' School, 8 p.m.
13	W	Mission Service, Eastbank Road, 8 p.m.
14	Th	
15	F	
16	S	
17	S	22nd after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
18	M	
19	Tu	
20	W	Mission Service, Pantile Fields, 8 p.m.
21	Th	
22	F	
23	S	
24	S	23rd after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. Children's service, 3.30 p.m.
25	M	Communicants' Class for men, C., Vicarage, 8 p.m.
26	Tu	Communicants' Class, Vicarage, 2.30 p.m. Vicarage, 8 p.m.
27	W	Mission Service, Eastbank Road, 8 p.m.
28	Th	
29	F	Provident Club, Vicarage, 10.30 a.m. Meeting of Sunday School Teachers, Vicarage, 5.45 p.m.
30	S	<i>S. Andrew.</i> <i>Day of Intercession for Missions.</i> Celebrations, 7.30 and 10 a.m. Special Service and Sermon, 8 p.m.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY 5.30 p.m.