

The Hampton Hill Parish Magazine.

SEPTEMBER, 1891.

OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
Sunday, July 26th—Tower and Spire.....	11	16	3
„ August 2nd—General Fund.....	3	6	0
„ „ 9th—General Fund.....	2	6	10
„ „ 16th—General Fund.....	2	8	9

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EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

BAPTISMS.

August 9.—Richard Frank Thompsett.
„ 9.—William Charles David Sherwood.

MARRIAGES.

August 3.—William Goodwin and Elizabeth Jane Wise.
„ 6.—William Edwin Pepperell and Ada Elizabeth Woodford.
„ 18.—Caleb James Davis and Bessie Eliza Gates.

BURIAL.

July 29.—Robert Chasey Brenridge, 52 years.

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HYMNS FOR SEPTEMBER.

Tu. 182. W. 180. Th. 189. F. 185. Sa. 178. September 6, 15th after Trinity, 200 | 281, 279 | 214, 22, 28. M. 243. Tu. 176. W. 173. Th. 161. F. 13. Sa. 264. September 13, 16th after Trinity, 2, 35, 216 | 270, 328 | 260, 354, 20. M. 21. Tu. 254. W. 280. Th. 13. F. 247. Sa. 24. September 20, 17th after Trinity, 313 | 388, 432 | 420, 12, 174. M. S. *Matthew*, 419. Tu. 269. W. 267. Th. 268. F. 250. Sa. 265. September 27, 18th after Trinity, 35, 277, 167 | 339, 473, 341 | 266, 19, 423. M. 198. Tu., *S. Michael and All Angels*, 423. W. 172.

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S. James's Day.—Our parish festival was especially a success this year. The all essential element of weather, which has been somewhat fickle throughout the summer, was all that could be desired—neither too hot nor too cold; bright and sunny, and dry. Our programme was much the same as usual. There were the usual services in the morning, celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m., and 10 a.m., which were fairly attended. In the afternoon the children met at the schools at 2.45 p.m., and forming into procession with the little ones in front, girls next, and boys last, they were headed by our excellent brass band, and marched to the Church for a short service at 3.15 p.m. After service the procession was re-formed, and entering the Vicarage grounds, took a turn round the ground before the different sections defiled into the circles prepared for their tea. Of the tea there is nothing very fresh to be chronicled, for as usual by the hands of kind helpers, the tea, and bread and butter, cake and buns quickly

found its way to all the 500 or 600 guests, and in a short time there was apparently a complete satisfaction shared by most if not every one of the large party. Then followed the games and other amusements, and in them there was no lack of interest till the shadows of evening compelled an adjournment to bed, where doubtless many a little boy and girl enjoyed a well-earned rest, and perhaps in dreamland went through again some of the most appreciated parts of the afternoon's programme. Races and swinging, bell in the ring, and other sports, all had their full share of youthful patronage, but once again Punch and Judy held its own with young and old, and carried off the palm of popularity. In another part of the garden a goodly few were gladly welcomed to take part in the parish entertainment, and toward evening the numbers were swelled till the grounds seemed full, and fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, friends and acquaintances, took part with the children in merry making and fun, while some who were not so young, and yet not very old, took especial pleasure in tripping it in a rustic dance to the strains of the ever ready band.

Free Education.—On the first of this month the new Act of Parliament, which is intended to give free education to the children of all who desire it, comes into operation. In our own case it has been found impossible, owing to the quickness with which the measure has become law, to settle before this date, which of the different plans allowed by the Act, will be best for the managers of our schools to adopt. Time, however, is given for this purpose, and a twelvemonth's grace is allowed before the Education Department will take any action to secure compliance with the requirements of the new Act. We would state, however, that there will be no unnecessary delay, and the managers will meet at the earliest possible date to settle on the course which it will be best to pursue. Perhaps it will be well to state briefly what it appears is intended to be the working of the Act. Free education is to be put within reach of all. There is no doubt upon this point, but at the same time, it would seem that it is not intended to add an additional financial burden to the management of the voluntary schools, or to force free education upon those who are willing and desirous to pay as heretofore. It is the difficulties which stand in the way of securing these objects which make it imperative that managers should give every care and attention to the matter before they decide so important a question. The Act is intended as far as possible to meet the requirements of all, it is the duty of the managers to see that this is done as far as circumstances permit. During the short time which must intervene before a decision can be arrived at, the schools will be continued as heretofore.

Our Schools.—The Diocesan Inspection of our Schools took place on Thursday, July 9th, when the Inspectors, the Rev. H. C. Batterbury and Mr. J. Hill, made an excellent report, the greater portion of which we give at length:—

Boys' School.—“Much good and effective instruction has been given during the past year, and Division I and II have passed, on a whole, a satisfactory examination. The older boys of the first

Division showed an accurate acquaintance with the leading facts of the narrative of the Acts of the Apostles, and Division II answered generally and intelligently in all their work. The Catechism repetition needs more care throughout the School, in order to secure greater distinctness and stricter verbal accuracy. Division III has been diligently taught."

GIRLS' SCHOOL.—"The Religious Instruction is very efficiently and earnestly given in Division I; the Scripture knowledge is sound and useful, and there is a good tone and spirit in the answering; more of the Catechism might be offered for explanation. In Division II, the New Testament lessons have been carefully and accurately prepared; pains have been taken with the rest of the work, but I should like to find the facts of the Old Testament more clearly impressed upon a greater number of the children. Diligent work is done in Division III, and much of the answering is very satisfactory. The Scripture repetition in each Division is excellent."

INFANTS' SCHOOL.—"Division I is taught with marked ability and success, great pains being taken to make the lessons attractive and useful. The general result is thoroughly excellent. Division II is well taught; the children are orderly and attentive and the repetition is clearly and correctly said. Care is taken with Division III, but rather more has been attempted than the children are well able to master."

DETAILED RESULT OF EXAMINATION.

				BOYS.			GIRLS.			INFANTS.		
				1st Div.	2nd Div.	3rd Div.	1st Div.	2nd Div.	3rd Div.	1st Div.	2nd Div.	3rd Div.
Number on the Books				63	77	35	57	53	58	41	38	82
Present at Inspection				51	64	29	42	45	49	35	34	51
Old Testament				g.	vg.	vf.	e.	vf.	vg.	vg.	g.	f.
New Testament				vg.	vg.	g.	vg.	vg.	g.	e.	vg.	vf.
Catechism	Repeated			vg.	g.	f.	vg.	g.	g.	e.	e.	g.
	Proved, etc.						vg.					
	Explained			g.	g.	vf.	g.	g.	vf.	e.		
	Written			g.	g.		vg.	g.				
Prayer Book (Collects)							g.	g.	g.			
Scripture by Heart				vg.	vg.	g.	e.	e.	e.	e.	e.	vg.
Other Subjects												
Each Division as a whole				g.	vg.	vf.	vg.	g.	g.	e.	e.	g.

CHURCH CALENDAR

FOR

SEPTEMBER, 1891.

1	Tu	
2	W	
3	Th	
4	F	
5	S	
6	S	15th after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
7	M	
8	Tu	
9	W	
10	Th	
11	F	
12	S	
13	S	16th after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. Baptisms, 3.30 p.m.
14	M	
15	Tu	
16	W	<i>Ember Day.</i>
17	Th	
18	F	<i>Ember Day.</i>
19	S	<i>Ember Day.</i>
20	S	17th after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
21	M	<i>S. Matthew.</i> Celebration, 10 a.m.
22	Tu	
23	W	
24	Th	
25	F	Provident Club, Vicarage, 10.30 a.m.
26	S	
27	S	18th after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. Children's Service, 3.30 p.m.
28	M	
29	Tu	<i>S. Michael and all Angels.</i> Service for Communicants' Class, 8 p.m.
30	W	
SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES.		
Class for Young Men, Larkfield, 3 p.m.		
Class for Married Men, Larkfield, 6 p.m.		
Class for Young Women, Vicarage, 6 p.m.		

WEEK-DAY SERVICES.

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 5.30 p.m.
 Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10 a.m.