

The Hampton Hill Parish Magazine.

JULY, 1892.

OFFERTORIES.

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Sunday,	May	29th.—Richmond Hospital.....	6	18	0
„	June	5th.—General Fund.....	4	8	7
„	„	12th.—General Fund.....	3	7	4
„	„	19th.—General Fund.....	3	10	9

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EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

BAPTISMS.

June 5.—Ernest Bertie Boulonois.
„ 19.—May Rapley.

MARRIAGES.

June 6.—Edward Joseph Lucas and Eliza Jones.
„ 8.—Lewis George Bartholomew Tegg Beach and Amy Dilley.

BURIALS.

June 4.—Louisa Ethel Simpson, 13 months.
„ 17.—Elizabeth Spratley, 67 years.
„ 18.—James Hunt, 81 years.

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HYMNS FOR JULY.

F. 109. Sa. 191. July 3, 3rd after Trinity, 311 | 176, 180 | 247, 189, 307. M. 199. Tu. 225. W. 254. Th. 224. F. 105. Sa. 192. July 10, 4th after Trinity, 225, 264, 304 | 189, 328 | 545, 199, 234. M. 166. Tu. 189. W. 205. Th. 217. F. 200. Sa. 169. July 17, 5th after Trinity, 537 | 197, 211 | 217, 22, 273. M. 225. Tu. 268. W. 267. Th. 161. F. 246. Sa. 277. July 24, 6th after Trinity, 395, 418, 240, 396, pt. i., 242 | 395, 441 | 391, Anthem, 239, 437, 379. M. S. James, 418. Tu. 207. W. 210. Th. 257. F. 297. Sa. 222. July 31, 7th after Trinity, 215, 292, 296 | 225, 473, 274 | 222, 541, 166.

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Our Schools.—An outbreak of measles, chiefly confined to the Infants' School, has caused some interruption to school duties. By order of the Sanitary Authority the Schools were closed two days previous to Whitsun holiday week. The Infants' School was kept closed one week after the holidays, but the boys and girls were allowed to meet again as usual. The School Committee have at length succeeded in filling the 2nd assistant master's post. Mr. Philips came to us from Ashford at the end of May. The Girls' School still requires another assistant. The Diocesan Inspectors propose to hold their Examination on Monday, July 11th.

A "Quiet Day" for the Clergy.—The Lord Bishop of Marlborough has kindly undertaken to hold a quiet day at the Vicarage, on Friday, July 8th, for the Clergy of the Deanery of Hampton.

The Election.—Party politics must not be allowed to enter into the pages of our parochial magazine. At the same time the coming election cannot fail to be a matter of interest to all of us, whatever colour our political opinions may assume. We may take it for granted that all of us have the same object at heart, that we want to have a parliament which will rule us wisely, will promote that which shall be for the honour and glory of God, and will increase the prosperity of our country. With such a common object in view, let us endeavour to prevent our differences of political opinion being allowed to cause ill-will and personal strife amongst us. Let us give our votes conscientiously, but let us not forget to ask God's blessing upon this our work, and so to overrule it, that in the end His kingdom shall be increased, the welfare of our country promoted, and the happiness of us all increased.

Flower Show.—There is another competition to be brought to an issue much about the same time as the General Election, and that is in a matter which is calculated to have a material influence on the happiness of our homes. Flowers contribute not a little to the brightness and happiness of the home. This is true, in these days, almost as much in our smoky cities as in our country villages. The button-holes, the bouquets, the window boxes as well as the flowers in the Parks contribute much to the happiness of our town friends. In no neighbourhood, perhaps, do you find more done to supply the floral needs of our great metropolis. In some way or other, most of us are engaged in the practice of horticulture, and our annual Flower Show is the arena upon which our friendly contests for superiority are fought. There is every promise, we believe, of a good display of fruit and flowers and honey at our Show on the 13th. We must hope for fine weather and a large gathering, and then we may feel pretty sure that it will prove a success. We are not sure yet whether H.R.H. the Princess Frederica will again honour us by kindly distributing the prizes, but we are sure that her presence would be highly appreciated and warmly welcomed.

Temperance Meeting.—It has been arranged that as usual an open air Temperance Meeting shall be held in the Vicarage Grounds, on Monday, July 18th. Arrangements for the meeting are in progress, but we are not yet able to announce definitely who will be the speaker of this occasion. We hope, however, that weather permitting, there will be a good muster, and that we shall again have the pleasure of welcoming some of those who, although they cannot find the opportunity of more continually giving our meetings their support, yet are in sympathy, we are sure, with the temperance cause.

Longevity.—The registers of Hampton Hill parish afford some curious statistics for the past seven months. If indeed, the great number of deaths, especially amongst aged people, mark the past season as one which has been far beyond the average fatal to human life; on the other hand, the ages of those who have been taken from us, testify strongly to the healthiness of the parish. Since November, 28th, 1891, as many as 38 parishioners have died, and of this number eight were children, most of them quite young. Of the remaining 30

the ages of 25 ranged from 64 to 90; their united ages amounted to 1888 years, and their average length of life was $75\frac{1}{2}$ years. Their ages were as follows: 90, 86, 83, 83, 81, 81, 81, 80, 79, 78, 78, 77, 77, 77, 73, 73, 73, 72, 71, 68, 68, 67, 64, 64, 64.

The Sunday School Crystal Palace Excursion.—The early morning of Wednesday, June 22nd, was full of anxiety to the 218 young and old who were going to take part in our Annual Sunday School Excursion. An unsettled sky, and an uncertain barometer, which first fell and then rose, seemed to point to a possible showery day, and perhaps a damp return home. Full of hope for the best, however, all the 176 children and 42 teachers and friends were on the Fulwell platform ready to start by the 10.19 train. At Clapham there was half-an-hour's wait, so our party did not arrive at the Crystal Palace till nearly 12 o'clock. As soon as the turnstiles are past, the older children disperse, whilst the younger ones go about in companies under the escort of their own teachers. It would be a difficult task to relate all that was seen by the many pairs of keen eyes, or to chronicle all that was done on this eventful day; suffice it to say that there was a very full programme, and never had the Palace shown itself to better advantage. To begin with, for those who could find time to examine it, there was the Electrical Exhibition, which occupied all available space in the body of the building. Then there are the pictures, the stuffed animals, the models of various dark-coloured races, the monkeys, the parrots, the bears, and the aquarium; most of these were visited by the children, but perhaps the gardens presented the chief attractions; some went to the panorama of the battle of Gravelotte; some took an aerial flight on the railway which overhangs the great basin; some patronized the switch-back, others the roundabouts, and others took a voyage on the lake. At 4.30 the whole party mustered by the great organ, and marched up the Palace to tea. After tea there was a capital entertainment by equilibrists, wire walkers, globe walkers, and other wonder-working gymnasts, and to sum up all, there was a performance at 7 o'clock of elephants, who seemed to do everything short of talking; they danced and see-sawed, played music and rode tricycles, and concluded just in time to allow our party to muster and get off by the train. At 9 o'clock Fulwell is reached, and here nearly the whole population of Hampton Hill had assembled to greet our return and help to swell the procession which marched to the strains of our band to the schools. Not much before 10 the children dispersed, and thus at last brought the day to a close. The weather after all had been perfect, there were no recorded mishaps, and we believe all had enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

Our Anniversary Festival.—As S. James' Day falls this year on a Monday, it is proposed to anticipate the date for most of the usual programme. The School Treat and Gathering in the Vicarage Grounds is arranged for Saturday, July 23rd, on which day the schools are to meet at 2.45 a.m., and march to the Church headed by the Hampton Hill Band. On Sunday, the 24th, the Eve of S. James' Day, the Festival Services will take place at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., and on S. James' Day, Monday, there will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7 a.m. and 10 a.m.

CHURCH CALENDAR

FOR

JULY, 1892.

1	F	
2	S	
3	S	3rd after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
4	M	
5	Tu	
6	W	
7	Th	
8	F	"Quiet Day" for the Clergy of the Deanery.
9	S	
10	S	4th after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. Baptisms, 3.30 p.m.
11	M	Diocesan Inspection of Schools, 9.30 a.m.
12	Tu	
13	W	Flower, Fruit and Honey Show, Vicarage Gardens.
14	Th	
15	F	
16	S	
17	S	5th after Trinity. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
18	M	Open Air Temperance Meeting, Vicarage Gardens, 7.30 p.m.
19	Tu	
20	W	
21	Th	
22	F	
23	S	National Schools' Treat, Vicarage Gardens. Service for Children, 3.15 p.m.
24	S	6th after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m. Anniversary Festival Services, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Children's Service, 3.30 p.m.
25	M	<i>S. James.</i> Celebrations, 7.30 a.m. and 10 a.m.
26	Tu	
27	W	
28	Th	
29	F	Provident Club, Vicarage, 10.30 a.m.
30	S	
31	S	7th after Trinity. Celebration, 8 a.m.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES.

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