

The Hampton Hill Parish Magazine.

DECEMBER, 1892.

OFFERTORIES.

			£	s.	d.
Sunday,	October	23rd.—General Fund.....	4	0	7
"	"	30th.—General Fund.....	3	7	2
"	November	6th.—General Fund.....	3	8	0
"	"	13th.—General Fund.....	3	5	6
"	"	20th.—General Fund.....	3	11	2

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EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

BURIAL.

Nov. 5.—Lucy Higgins, 81 years.

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HYMNS FOR DECEMBER.

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Advent.—"The night is far spent, the day is at hand." These are words from the Book of books which should be a message of warning to us. We must hear them one day, God grant that we may not leave it till it is too late, when there is no more time left for the preparation which is needful to secure our own salvation. This is a message which is especially appropriate to Advent, for it speaks of that coming of our Blessed Lord, which although it is yet future, yet may be at our very doors, may happen at any moment. Who knows but that before the morning watch we may hear the cry raised, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet Him." And yet we go on, just as we have done, just as though the world was certain to go on for ages and ages yet to come, that we ourselves were insured to live to a very old age. The season of Advent is intended to give us a check, to rouse us from a fatal slumber, to bring the reality of this before our very eyes, "The Bridegroom cometh." May we learn this Advent to hear these words as saying something which is very important to the welfare of our own souls. May we learn to think more of our Blessed Lord's second coming, to prepare ourselves for it. Think then, more of these things. Attend the services which are specially arranged at this season with a

view to rousing us from our apathy. Answer to the appeal, which they are intended to make to your soul. As in past years, there will be special services each week on Wednesday evenings, at 8 p.m., and celebrations of the Holy Communion on Thursdays, at 7.30 a.m. and 10 a.m. The following is a list of preachers who have kindly promised to come :—

- Wednesday, Nov. 30th.—The Rev. L. H. Wellesley Wesley, Vicar of Hatchford.
,, Dec. 7th.—The Rev. C. N. Wyld, Rector of S. Martin's, Salisbury.
,, Dec. 14th.—The Rev. J. L. Winslow, Rector of Hanworth
,, Dec. 21st.—The Rev. G. V. Briscoe, Vicar of S. Peter's, Staines.

In addition to these, the Vicar proposes to preach a special course of sermons on Sunday evenings :—

- Sunday, Dec. 4th.—Advent watch. S. Matt. 25, 1—13.
,, Dec. 11th.—Advent reckoning. S. Matt. 25, 14—30.
,, Dec. 18th.—Advent judgment. S. Matt. 25, 31—46.

Provident Club.—The distribution of the Provident money will take place at the Vicarage, on Wednesday, December 7th, at 11 o'clock.

Church Lads' Brigade.—Under the auspices of the London Diocesan Central Society, it has been decided to form a company in this parish, and the Vicar has appointed the Rev. R. de Ritchie captain. Applications for membership should be made to him any evening (except Monday or Wednesday) after 7.30, when all particulars will be given. Members will not be required to pay for their equipment; and when they know their drill, they will be eligible to join the Seaside Camp in the summer. The age is limited to between 13 and 18. We heartily commend this movement to the attention of our young friends.

Parish Tea.—We have seldom experienced a more complete success than that which we had in the Parish Tea, which took place on Tuesday, November 8th. The number of those who sat down was counted as 120, and to this must be added a large band of helpers, who presided over the various tables and attended to the wants of their occupants. The concert which followed at 7.45 was especially successful, and we were pleased to welcome the accession of several excellent voices. The room was arranged with the platform at the side, and the tables grouped around, so that there was no need to move their occupants after the Tea was over. This arrangement conduced greatly to the order of the evening, and we may say it was very good and not disturbed by any unwelcome noise.

Tableaux Vivants.—The day after the Government Inspection of our Schools, our regular season of entertainments commenced, on Thursday, November 17th, with a concert followed by Tableaux Vivants. The untiring efforts of the many who had long been at work preparing, were by one consent crowned with complete success. The short concert was very good, but the special interest of the evening was centred in the tableaux. There were four different groups, each of which was repeated with some modification a number of times. It would be difficult to make any comparison of merit, nor do we wish to

do so. They were all good, and were very highly commended by those who were qualified to give an opinion. The four tableaux were as follows, "The three old Maids of Lee," "Arming the Knight," "My pretty Maid," and "Mary, Queen of Scots, receiving the English Ambassador." We must not omit the final scene, when the whole of the company of 28 performers, appeared in one group and sang the National Anthem. Every ticket was sold, and the takings, after the expenses incurred by the requirements of the County Council are paid, are to be handed over to the Schools.

Coming Entertainments.—During the month of December, the committee hope to give another entertainment, the school children give their concert, the Mother's Meeting supper, and the Sunday School winter treat also take place.

Our Schools.—The new Inspector, Mr. H. F. Dibben, accompanied by his two assistants, paid his annual visit to the Schools on Tuesday, November 15th and 16th. Until his report comes we are unable to speak for certain, but we trust that he was fairly well satisfied. The past year has been a trying one for teachers, the boys' and girls' schools having been understaffed nearly the whole of the time. At last we have secured an assistant in the girls' school, so we trust we shall have no further difficulty on this score.

Accounts for year ending 31st October, 1892.

	INCOME.												
	Boys.			GIRLS,			INFANTS.			TOTALS.			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Grant.....	127	13	0	141	0	0	90	2	0	358	15	0	
Department of Science & Art	10	7	0							10	7	0	
Subscriptions.....										88	9	1	
FitzWygram Bequest.....										12	10	0	
Collections in Church.....										25	0	0	
School Pence.....	12	5	5	15	3	0				27	8	5	
Fee Grant.....	60	17	7	62	4	1	46	6	6	169	8	2	
Books, &c. sold in School...				5	19	9	1	8	6	7	8	3	
OTHER SOURCES.													
Rents.....										33	18	0	
Use of rooms, firing, light, &c.										9	6	0	
Balance against October 31st, 1892										87	3	¾	
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										£829	13	¾	

EXPENDITURE.													
Balance against November, 1891											104	14	1 ¾
Salaries—Head Teachers..	100	0	0	106	0	0	70	14	4	276	14	4	
Assistant do.....	91	1	2	58	16	11	30	0	0	179	18	1	
Pupil Teachers..	10	15	0		16	0	26	18	6	38	9	6	
Monitors.....	8	16	10	6	3	0	1	14	6	16	14	4	
Books, Apparatus, &c,	39	18	0 ½	23	9	1	13	12	1 ½	76	19	3	
Fuel, Light and Cleaning.	18	9	10	13	19	0	13	18	10	46	7	8	
Replacements and Repairs	16	16	1 ½	6	15	0	12	11	8 ½	36	2	10	
Rent.....	17	0	0	15	0	0				32	0	0	
Rates, Taxes, Insurance...	4	9	5	3	5	9	4	9	1	12	4	3	
Sundries.....	2	11	8	4	3	3	2	11	0	9	8	11	
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										£829	13	¾	

CHURCH CALENDAR

FOR

DECEMBER, 1892.

1	Th	Celebrations, 7.30 a.m. and 10 a.m.
2	F	
3	S	
4	S	2nd in Advent. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
5	M	
6	Tu	Distribution of Provident Money, Vicarage, 11 a.m. Special Advent Service, 8 p.m.
7	W	
8	Th	
9	F	Celebrations, 7.30 a.m. and 10 a.m.
10	S	
11	S	3rd in Advent. Celebration, 8 a.m., Baptisms, 3.30 p.m. Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
12	M	
13	Tu	Ember Day. Special Advent Service, 8 p.m. Celebrations, 7.30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Ember Day. Ember Day.
14	W	
15	Th	
16	F	
17	S	
18	S	4th in Advent. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
19	M	
20	Tu	Communicants' Class Service, 6.30 p.m. Tea, 7 p.m. <i>S. Thomas.</i> Celebration, 10 a.m. Special Advent Service, 8 p.m.
21	W	
22	Th	Celebrations, 7 a.m. and 10 a.m.
23	F	
24	S	<i>Christmas Eve.</i> Choral Evensong, 7.30 p.m.
25	S	Christmas Day. Celebrations, 7 a.m., 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Children's Service, 3.30 p.m. Evening Service, 7 p.m.
26	M	
27	Tu	<i>S. Stephen.</i> Celebration, 10 a.m. Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
28	W	<i>S. John.</i> Celebration, 7.30 a.m. Mother's meeting Supper and Entertainment, 6.45 p.m.
29	Th	<i>Holy Innocents.</i> Celebration, 10 a.m. Sunday School Distribution of Prizes and Entertainment, 5 p.m.
30	F	
31	S	
		Midnight Service, 11.30 p.m.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES.

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