

The Hampton Hill Parish Magazine.

JANUARY, 1893.

OFFERTORIES.

		£	s.	d.
Sunday,	November 27th.—S. P. G.....	8	15	0½
„	December 4th.—General Fund.....	3	3	2
„	„ 11th.—General Fund.....	2	19	3
„	„ 18th.—General Fund	3	9	6

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EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS.

BAPTISM.

November 30.—Ellen Olive Goodman.

BURIALS.

November 29.—Alfred Charles Kolbe, aged 35 years.
December 5.—Ellen Olive Goodman, aged 6 weeks.

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HYMNS FOR JANUARY.

January 1, Sunday after Christmas, *Circumcision*, 59, 55, Carol | 72, 165 | 60, Anthem, 74, 71, Carols. M. 72. Tu. 22. W. 226. Th. 76. F. *Epiphany*, 79. Sa. 78. January 8, 1st after Epiphany, 79, 247, 488 | 76, 78 | 77, 78, 245. M. 79. Tu. 176. W. 280. Th. 248. F. 255. Sa. 180. January 15, 2nd after Epiphany, 75 | 79, 80 | 79, 76, 173. M. 265. Tu. 78. W. 271. Th. 27. F. 176. Sa. 169. January, 22, 3rd after Epiphany, 82, 220, 80 | 82, 76 | 82, 218, 81. M. 270. Tu. 188, W. *Conversion of S. Paul*, 405. Th. 207. F. 269. Sa. 288. January 29, Septuagesima, 83, 228, 172 | 83, 473, 573 | 170, 236, 489. M. 185. Tu. 178.

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The New Year.—Once more in God's mercy we are permitted to wish our readers a "Happy New Year." There is nothing brightens life more than hope, and it is our privilege to indulge in hope, and on these occasions to give expression to them. Our wish and prayer is, that happiness true and real, come which way it may, will be your lot for this coming year, and for an endless succession of years to come.

Clock and Bells.—"When are we going to have the Clock and Bells?" is a question which the Vicar is glad to say is very often put to him by the good people of Hampton Hill. The answer is a very simple one. "As soon as you find the money to pay for them." Perhaps the time has come when it would be advisable to take some more decided steps to bring this matter to an issue. In deference to a feeling that the collection of the money for the Tower and Spire had involved a somewhat heavy drain on the resources of our village, nothing beyond the sale of goods left over from the Fancy Fair, has yet been attempted in the way of getting the money together. All the while however, like the rolling snowball, our little fund has increased

in bulk, and we have £116 in hand and £34 more promised. It is difficult to calculate exactly how much the cost will be, but we believe it will not fall short of £350—£400 to supply a really good clock, which will chime the quarters, and a good set of Harrington Tubular Bells. That is to say we want about £200 or £250 more than we have in hand. It is proposed to call together once more the Tower and Spire building committee with a view to a scheme being adopted, and estimates obtained, for the completion of their work. In the meantime we would ask our friends to prepare for the call which must necessarily be made upon them.

Entertainments' License.—We are glad to be able to state that all the preliminaries necessary for the first granting a license by the Middlesex County Council have been got through, and now our Schoolroom is fully licensed for the entertainments which are held within its walls. The Licensing Committee is especially careful to guard as far as possible against risk of fire, and insists on sufficient means of egress in case of a sudden panic. In order to ensure this, by the directions of the County Surveyor, all the doors have been made to open outwards, and a supply of water will be kept in the school during entertainments in case of fire.

Church Lads' Brigade.—This corps has been enrolled most successfully. About 60 lads have been admitted, and more applicants, who presented themselves from the mother parish of Hampton, have been refused for want of room. We hope that, encouraged by our success, a corps may be raised for them in their own village. The drill at present is conducted by the Captain, himself an old soldier, and one or two officers of the volunteers who have kindly given their services. All that is now required is a hearty response to the effort which the Captain is making to raise the funds needed to meet the cost of equipment. A portion of this has been obtained, but we would remind those who wish well to the corps, that its very success must necessarily increase its cost.

Provident Club.—In presenting the accounts of the Provident Club, we must not omit to point out that there has been a considerable falling off in the amount paid in by the poor members, £341, as compared with £414 last year, or £73 less. This, doubtless, is attributed to the diminution which it was found necessary to make in the amount of interest added to the cards, one halfpenny instead of one penny in the shilling. We cannot but think that our friends who have paid in less to the Provident Club this year have allowed the matter of interest to influence them too much. A halfpenny in the shilling is, after all, very good interest, it is more than 4 per cent.; and when it is remembered that the average length of time the Provident money is held is scarcely more than five months, this halfpenny in the shilling is really 10 per cent. per annum. But it is not really the interest which is of such great value. It is the principal, the savings put away from week to week, which mount up to such a nice sum at the end of the year. When sixpence after sixpence has been saved from the weekly expenditure and there are a couple of sovereigns to be expended in winter clothes just before Christmas, is the value of little hoard so materially lessened, because £2 1s. 8d. is paid out instead of £2 3s 4d.? We think the difference would be hardly felt at all, and

we earnestly trust that the consideration of interest will not in future deter any from storing up their own hard won earnings, so that they may have something to spend in clothes when the season of winter comes. Our balance sheet has nearly righted itself, and notwithstanding a deficiency of £8 at the beginning of the year, is within a few shillings straight now. As we start with scarcely any debt, we propose to increase the amount of interest offered for the coming year, and to make it one penny in the shilling for the first twelve shillings, and halfpenny for each shilling above that sum up to the original limit of £2. We hope that this will prove an encouragement even to those who pin their faith on the interest, and that the amount saved during 1893 will be larger than it has been during the past year.

Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1892.

RECEIPTS.	£ s d.	PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.	
Paid in by Members ...	341 8 1	Balance due to Treasurer	8 0 4	
Ditto for Cards ...	1 15 9	Paid back to Members...	16 5 6	
Interest at Savings Bank	3 10 1	Distributed to poor:—		
SUBSCRIPTIONS.				
Mrs. FitzWygram ...	5 0 0	Money paid in ..	325 2 7	
Mrs. Carr ...	2 0 0	Interest ...	12 18 6½	
The Vicar & Hon Mrs. Bligh	2 0 0			
Mr. H.P. Bowling-Trevanion	1 0			
Mr. V. Griffiths ...	1 1 0			
Mrs. & Miss Hayes ...	1 10 0			
“ Fownhope ” ...	1 0 0			
Mr. W. Blanchard (the late)	0 10 0			
Mr. J. R. Scriven...	0 10 0			
Mrs. Bowling ...	0 10 0			
Mrs. Butler ...	0 3 0			
Mrs. Handcock ...	0 2 0			
Balance due to Treasurer	0 6 0½			
	<hr/> £362 6 11½		<hr/> £362 6 11½	

Technical Education.—The cookery classes, which came to a close on Thursday, December 15th, have proved a great success. The attendance has been very good, and the instruction given, excellent. We hear that it is intended to hold laundry classes during the next quarter.

Our Schools.—No report has yet reached us from the Educational Department. We are glad to be able to give a good account of the year's work, notwithstanding the shortness of teachers and other drawbacks. The numbers have increased, and the average attendance is larger in proportion to the number on the books than it ever has been before. We trust that we may have long to report continued improvement and progress.

Parish Magazine.—This is the ninth year of the issue of our little Magazine, and our next issue will be No. 100. We ask for continued support, and trust that increased circulation may be the fruit of our efforts to make our pages useful to our readers. Prices: A single copy, 2d. Subscription for a year, paid in advance, 1s. 6d. Members of the Provident Club are supplied at considerably less than cost price, viz., 1s. per annum; but this, it must be understood, is strictly on condition that the subscription is paid in advance.

CHURCH CALENDAR
FOR
JANUARY, 1893.

1	S	Sunday after Christmas, <i>Circumcision.</i> Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
2	M	Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
3	TU	
4	W	
5	TH	
6	F	Epiphany. Celebration, 10 a.m.
7	S	
8	S	1st after Epiphany. Celebration, 8 a.m., Baptisms, 3.30 p.m.
9	M	Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
10	TU	
11	W	
12	TH	
13	F	
14	S	
15	S	2nd after Epiphany. Celebrations, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.
16	M	Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
17	TU	
18	W	
19	TH	
20	F	
21	S	
22	S	3rd after Epiphany. Celebration, 8 a.m.
23	M	Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
24	TU	
25	W	
26	TH	
27	F	
28	S	
29	S	Septuagesima. Celebration, 8 a.m. Children's Service, 3.30 p.m.
30	M	Temperance Meeting, Boys' School, 7.30 p.m.
		Communicants' Class, C., Vicarage, 8 p.m.
31	TU	" " D., Eastbank Mission, 8 p.m.
		Communicants' Class, A., Vicarage, 2.30 p.m.
		" " B., Vicarage, 8 p.m.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES.

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