

# HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

May I first express the wish that the New Year may be to you one of happiness and prosperity—prosperity if it please God in the things of this world, but above all, prosperity in the things belonging to your eternal welfare. I can cherish no higher wish respecting you than that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon you.

I am anxious to make our Magazine a means of friendly communication between myself and, if possible, all the parishioners and members of the congregation. Make I ask those who take it to be kind enough to bring it before the notice of others, and so help to promote its circulation.

The past month has been full of interest to us in many ways, and there are many matters to which I wish to refer, but before doing so, I feel I must say something respecting the very sad event which has just now cast a gloom over the whole parish. The death of Mrs. Druitt is a shock and a source of grief to us all. Her brightness and her unselfish activity for others' sake, will be sorely missed among us. It is only a few days since she gave great delight to those who were present at the Parish Tea, by her singing. Her name will long be remembered in connection with the Entertainments at the Schools, with which she was so prominently associated. I am sure I can speak for the whole parish when I say that the deepest sympathy is felt for those whom she has left behind, and their sorrow is shared by us all.

The Parish Tea was not so largely attended as it might have been, the number present being scarcely 100. Probably Friday was not a convenient night for some, and this must be remembered another time. The Entertainment was a very good one and seemed to give pleasure to everybody.

The Entertainment given by the Day School Children on the 21st ult. proved to be exceedingly attractive. The room was quite full, and the audience thoroughly appreciated the painstaking work of the teachers and the laudable efforts of the young performers. The financial result was a very substantial addition to the prize fund.

The Report of H.M. Inspector has just been received, and the following extracts show that it is by no means an unsatisfactory one:—

**BOYS' SCHOOL.**—"I am glad to note improvement in the discipline, and that greater interest is taken by the boys in their work. The elementary subjects are fairly well done . . . . . Recitation is good on the whole, and the higher grants are recommended for English and Geography."

**GIRLS' SCHOOL.**—"Recitation has been well prepared, and the higher grants are recommended for History and English. The garments made during the year are neat . . . Singing by note is fairly good."

**INFANTS' SCHOOL.**—"Good order is maintained, and the School is on the whole in a very fair state of efficiency, the best work being done in the second class. Recitation is good, and both object lessons and varied occupations have received careful attention."

The Provident Club Account will be found below, and you will observe that a very handsome sum had been saved during the year by the members, the total being about £450, which is £110 more than in the previous year. This seems to show either that work has been very good or that people are growing more saving, or perhaps a little of both. The interest for the ensuing year will be one half-penny in the shilling up to the present limit of £2. I am sure the members must be deeply sensible of the trouble taken in their behalf by the District Visitors, and to the Subscribers for their kind contributions.

At last the Clock and Bells, which have been talked of for years, are in their place and giving forth their melodious chimes to the delight of everybody within hearing distance. The Dedication Service was taken part in by the Rural Dean, the Rev. R. Digby Ram, M.A., and the Clock was, most fitly, set in motion by the former Vicar, the Hon. and Rev. Henry Bligh, who also preached a very appropriate sermon from the texts inscribed on the Bells. I feel sure that it was a source of pleasure to Mr. Bligh to give the finishing touch to a work in connection with which he had done so much and been so deeply interested during his incumbency, and it certainly was a source of pleasure to his many friends here that he was able to perform the ceremony.

There will be an Entertainment for the Sunday School Children and prize distribution on Thursday, January 11th, at 6 o'clock.

The Confirmation has been fixed to take place here on Monday, March 12th, at 3 o'clock. Classes will be commenced about the middle of this month,

and I shall be glad to receive the names of candidates at once. May I ask parents who have children over 13 years of age to encourage them to attend the classes, whether they have made up their minds to be confirmed or not? And may I also ask mistresses to bring the matter before the notice of their servants, and to give them such facilities to attend the classes as may be convenient? There will be afternoon and evening classes, and, if necessary, one for adults only.

The Curate's Fund still continues to grow, and the amount now promised reaches £90. I am glad to say that Mr. Evans, of Eton Lodge, has consented to act as Treasurer, and subscriptions may be sent to him, or to the Vicarage or to the Churchwardens.

I have pleasure in acknowledging with many thanks very appropriate gifts of Hymn Frames and figures, and a set of beautiful white Alms' Bags for the Church, from Mrs. de Brissac Bernard, of Riversdale Court.

The Christmas Decorations were exceedingly appropriate. The new text for the East end was the gift of a member of our Choir. The many kind helpers must, I think, have felt rewarded by the happy result of their toil, and we are all indebted to them.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

THE PROVIDENT CLUB, 1893.

	£	s.	d.
Paid in by members	449	13	7
Penice for cards		1	18
SUBSCRIPTIONS:—			
Former Vicar and The Hon. Mrs. Bligh	2	0	0
Miss Barnard	2	0	6
Mr. Scriven	0	5	0
Anonymous	0	2	0
Capt. Crigan	0	6	0
Mrs. Butler	0	5	0
Mr. H. P. Bowling-Trevanion	1	1	0
Mrs. A. Bowling	0	2	0
Mrs. FitzWygram	5	5	0
Mrs. T. Bowling	0	5	0
Miss Williams	0	2	0
Mrs. Hayes	1	0	0
Miss Hayes	0	10	0
The Vicar	0	10	0
Per Miss Barnard:—			
Mrs. Handcock	0	2	0
Mrs. Blundstone	0	1	0
Mr. O. Lambert	0	1	0
Mrs. Carr	2	0	0
Mr. V. C. Griffiths	0	10	6
Mrs. White	0	2	6
Mrs. Tomlinson	0	2	6
Mrs. Salmon	0	2	0
Mrs. Jefferson	0	2	0
Mrs. Hubbard	0	2	0
Mrs. Powell	0	1	0
Mrs. Stutchbury	0	2	0
Mrs. Lacombe	0	1	0

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Cobb	0	1	0
Mrs. Rudderforth	0	1	0
Mr. Good	0	1	0
Mr. Matthews	0	1	0
Mr. Jones	0	1	0
Miss Knaggs	0	1	0
Miss White	0	1	0
Mrs. Short	0	1	0
Miss Hadland	0	1	0
Mrs. Hall	0	1	0
Mrs. Hanrott	0	3	0
Mrs. Garrett	0	2	0
Miss Lockwood	0	1	0
Mrs. Scarbrow	0	1	0
Mrs. Bosanquet	0	5	0
Miss Gwatkin	1	0	0
A friend—per Miss Cremer	1	1	0
Bank Interest	3	18	9

	473	19	2
To Balance	1	16	8
	£475	15	10

	£	s.	d.
Balance due to Treasurer	0	6	0
Repayments during year	40	3	8½
Cards, Printing, &c....	1	6	0
Repaid to members	409	9	10
Interest to members	24	10	3½
	£475	15	10

BAPTISMS.

"Grant, O Lord, that they may have power and strength to have victory and to triumph, against the Devil, the World and the Flesh. Amen."

Nov. 9.—Arthur Court.

„ 24.—Gertrude May Allen.

Dec. 8.—Reginald Wells.

BURIALS.

"I am the resurrection and the life saith the Lord: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.—St. John xi, 25, 26."

Alfred Savage, 2½ years.

Thomas Saunders, 14 months.

Arthur Court, 3 months.

Harry Metherell, 4 months.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 am.	7 p.m.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Nov. 26.—General Fund.....	2 0 10½	1 2 6½	3 3 5
Dec. 3.—S.P.G.....	5 16 5	2 16 4	8 18 0
„ 3.—Children's Service, 3.15 p.m.....		0 5 3	
„ 10.—Curate's Fund.....	3 3 9	1 15 4	4 19 1
„ 17.—General Fund	2 14 0	1 9 6	4 3 6
„ 20.—Dedication of Clock and Bells, 8 p.m.	—	—	2 11 3
„ 24.—General Fund.....	3 2 7	1 18 0	5 0 7
„ 25.—Christmas Day—Poor Fund—7 a.m., 15/11 8 a.m., 32/1; 11 a.m., £6; 5 p.m., 19/-			9 7 0
Poor Fund at 8 a.m., Nov. 26, 9/6; Dec. 3, 5/4; } Dec. 10, 5/-; Dec. 17, 4/-; Dec. 24, 5/7 }			1 9 5
Children's Services.—Missions—Nov. 26, 1/6; Dec. } 10, 1/10; Dec. 17, 5/2; Dec. 24, 2/7 }			0 11 1
Special Celebrations.—Nov. 30, 8/9; Dec. 7, 4/3; } Dec. 14, 6/3; Dec. 21, 6/-; Dec. 26, 3/3 }			1 8 6

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