

# HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

One of the most important events of the last month was the Confirmation, which took place on the 12th ult., the rite being administered by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Marlborough. The Candidates presented were as follows:—

HAMPTON . . . . .	23 Females .	23
HAMPTON WICK . . . . .	2 „ .	2
HAMPTON HILL 25 Males 38	„ .	63
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The Service, which is always one of the most impressive of all our services, will long be remembered, not only by the candidates, but by all who were present. A large number of the Choir were able to attend, and the intelligent reverence with which they did their part added to the beauty and solemnity of the service. The simple, fatherly addresses of the Bishop were listened to with the greatest attention by the candidates, and his references to the past, the present and the future of their lives, will, I doubt not, be long cherished in their memories.

After the Service the Bishop expressed himself as being exceedingly pleased with the conduct and attention of the candidates. And it is a source of gratification to me to be able to refer to the preparation classes as affording high hopes for the future of the candidates. Not only was the attendance regular and the conduct good, but the answers given showed that in every case considerable attention had been given to the lessons. I trust that by God's help they may keep their good resolutions, and that as the years pass away they will be still found walking in the right path, consistent in their lives, regular in their attendance at Church, and at the Holy Communion.

By the great kindness of a member of the Congregation, who wishes to be unknown, I was able to present a small manual to each one who was confirmed. The little book is wisely and well arranged, and I hope it may prove a great help to all who received it.

During Holy Week the services were very well attended, and on Easter Day the Church presented a most pleasing sight. At the ordinary services every seat seemed to be occupied, and the total communicants numbered 330, while the offertories amounted to £13 16s. 9d., in addition to which £8 6s. 6d. in "Easter Offerings for the Vicar" was given anonymously. As this is my only opportunity of acknowledging these gifts, I wish to express my most sincere thanks to the very kind donors. The services were exceedingly bright and showed that very great pains must have been taken in the preparation by Mr. Dawkins and the Choir.

The gifts of flowers and the loan of plants for the decorations were in rich abundance, and the Church, as usual, looked very beautiful and thoroughly in harmony with the great Festival. Our thanks are due to all who contributed flowers, and especially to those who worked so hard in arranging them.

Some of our Choir surplices have become the worse for wear, and I have pleasure in acknowledging the gift of two new ones by an anonymous giver, per Mrs. Bowling.

The Church has been further beautified during the last few weeks by the Misses Isdell, who have painted, with great taste, the organ pipes facing the north aisle. The work has been laborious and has occupied a great many hours, and the result is most pleasing. We are very much indebted to these ladies for their patient toil.

The commencement of the new Bible Classes by Colonel Philips has been necessarily delayed a short time. They are now, however, definitely fixed to commence on the following dates:—

The class for boys will be held at the St. James' Mission Hall, on Sunday afternoons, at 3 o'clock, and will begin on Sunday, the 8th inst.

The Class for adults, both men and women, will be held at the Pantile Mission Hall, on Monday evenings, at 8 o'clock, and will begin on Monday, the 9th inst.

I feel sure that these Classes will meet a want in the parish and will be much appreciated. The

...houts Class is intended for those who are leaving the Sunday School, but who are not yet old enough to join Mrs. FitzWygram's Class. I hope that all the members of the Lads' Brigade will join.

The "Band of Hope" children are getting up a Service of Song, entitled "The Oiled Feather," which will be given at their closing entertainment for the season, at the end of the month. The admission will be sixpence and one penny.

The Day Schools have had heavy expenses this year in the provision of large sets of new books. A portion of the offertory on Easter Day was devoted to this purpose, but something like six or seven pounds more is still required, and to defray this, an Entertainment is to be given by the teachers and children on Friday, the 6th inst. The object is a good one, and I have no doubt that this, together with the prospect of an enjoyable evening, will attract a large audience.

The Working Men's Club and Institute held their Annual Meeting on the 5th of March, when a very satisfactory balance sheet was produced, showing a balance in hand of £16, which testifies to the good work done by the Treasurer, Mr. E. J. Singleton, and the Secretary, Mr. McKenzie. A strong desire was expressed at the meeting to make the Club increasingly useful, and various plans were discussed for effecting this, one of the most practical one being to bring it before the notice of parishioners by means of a personal canvass by the members. And I am glad to say that an effort in this direction has already produced some results. The more support the Club meets with the more useful and attractive it can be made. The large room is to be re-papered and painted at once.

The Sunday School children have commenced their small weekly payments for the Crystal Palace treat, which will take place about the middle of June.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

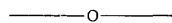
CHARLES R. JOB.

SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF  
CRUELTY TO CHILDREN.

The following sums have been collected in the parish in the last four years:—

			£	s.	d.
1891	...	...	2	14	0
1892	...	...	3	0	0
1893	...	...	4	0	0
1894	...	...	4	9	0

Treasurer: Mrs. POWELL.



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."

- Feb. 27.—Annie Elizabeth Tozer.
- Mar. 11.—Ann Elizabeth Branchett.
- „ 25.—Lucie Blanchard.

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."

- Feb. 28.—Emma Coppen, 58 years.
- Mar. 1.—Blanche Catherine Eugenia Phillips, 14 years.
- „ 1.—Guinevere Eva Hart-Dyke, 24 years.
- „ 20.—Reginald Wells, 5 months.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.			7 p.m.			Totals.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Feb. 25.—General Fund ...	2	0	3	1	9	11	3	10	2
Mar. 4.—Curate's Fund ...	3	16	6	1	19	10	5	16	4
„ 11.—General Fund ...	2	11	0	1	11	2	4	2	2
„ 13.—General Fund ...	3	2	10	1	9	7	4	12	5
Thursday in Holy Week (10 a.m.)	11	9							
Good Friday.—St. James' Home, Fulham	2	9	0	0	17	8	3	18	5
Easter Sunday.—Day & Sunday Schools, 8 a.m., £2.	7	3	1	2	7	11	11	11	0
Poor Fund, at Early Communion.—Feb. 25, 4/-;									
Mar. 4, 13/9; Mar. 11, 7/5; Mar. 18, 5/2;							3	7	2
Mar. 25, £1 16s. 10d. ...									
Children's Services—Missions, Feb. 25, 1/8;									
Mar. 4, 6/-; Mar. 11, 4/3; Mar. 18, 4/6;							1	5	4
Mar. 25, 8/11 ...									
Special Celebrations.—Mar. 1, 3/6; Mar 8, 5/5;									
Mar. 15, 7/8 ...							0	16	7