

THE VICARAGE,

*October 1st, 1894.*

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

We are just now arranging our various parish organizations for the winter's work, and in a few weeks most of them will be in operation.

The Entertainment Committee have had a meeting and have decided to arrange five Entertainments for the season, the first of which is to take place on Monday, the 15th inst., and there is every prospect that this will be an exceptionally good one. The first part will consist of a concert, in which some new and some old friends will make their appearance. The second part will be occupied entirely by amusing mysteries and conjuring by Messrs. Holberton & Cooper. The tickets will be a shilling, sixpence and threepence. There will also be Concerts in November and January, and Dramatic Entertainments in December and February. The proceeds will be for the parochial objects which are found to be the most in need of assistance. The Committee hope to meet with the general support of the parishioners in their efforts to promote good, harmless amusement, and to raise funds for the parish requirements. Mr. Gerald Hodgson has been appointed the Secretary.

The Band of Hope Meetings will re-commence on Monday, the 15th inst., at 6 o'clock. The last season was a successful one, and we hope that this will in no way come behind its predecessor.

The Missionary Working Party will be held, as usual, throughout the winter, and will commence on Thursday, the 26th inst., at the Vicarage. A very substantial parcel of fancy and useful work

was sent to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel last year, as well as a reasonable sum of money. The same ladies who managed the Branch last year have kindly undertaken the work again, and they hope to have the help not only of those who have assisted before, but others as well, who have the time and the inclination to help forward so good a cause as Missionary Work amongst the heathen. The sewing meetings are held once a fortnight.

Steps are being taken for the re-commencement of the Lads' Brigade. Those eligible for admission must be members of the Sunday School or of one of the Bible Classes. Full information will be given in due course.

A Meeting will be held in the Vestry on Wednesday evening, the 24th inst., at 9 o'clock, for the election of a member of the Committee of Management for the Day Schools. Those who have votes are the subscribers of at least 10/- annually. No one can be elected who is not a parishioner of Hampton Hill, or one of the neighbouring parishes, and a subscriber of not less than 20/- a year.

The ladies who kindly undertake the collecting of subscriptions for the Schools are busy with their work, and are meeting with success. The year has been one of heavy expense, and we need the kind help of all friends of the Schools to pay our way.

The friends and patients of the late Dr. Anderson will be interested to know that the tombstone for which subscriptions were collected by Mrs. White has now been erected. It is marble, very tastefully carved with passion flowers, and is a very suitable memorial of one who was deservedly respected by all who knew him. Mrs. White

