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THE VICARAGE,

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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

With the lengthening days some of our organizations will drop into a state of quiescence for a while. The Ladies' Missionary Working Party has met regularly throughout the winter, and notwithstanding the severity of the weather, and the serious amount of sickness, the results are very satisfactory, both as regards the value of the articles made and the sum of money contributed. The work and the money will be sent to the Ladies' Association of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in a few days. We are very much indebted to all who have helped, but I ought specially to mention Mrs. Hubbard, Mrs. Handcock and Miss Barnard, upon whom most of the official work has rested. The Meetings will, we hope, be resumed again in the autumn.

The Band of Hope has met nearly every week for six months. A tea to be held to-night will bring these meetings to a close for the present. We hope our young members will not forget their allegiance to the Society, but will remain faithful and true to their promises. I am glad to take this opportunity of thanking those who have so kindly assisted me in this work.

The Lads' Brigade will continue the drills as usual, for the present at least. I wish to acknowledge, with many thanks, the kind gifts of games, papers, &c., for the boys, from Mr. Powell, Mr. Evans and Miss Hadfield. A very small response has at present been made to my last month's appeal for subscriptions for the expenses of the Brigade. Sums of half-a-crown, more or less, will be thankfully received by Captain Isdell, Mr. Clarkson, Serjeant Bremridge, or myself.

The Confirmation took place at Hampton, on Monday, the 18th ult. The quiet, thoughtful

addresses by the Bishop of Marlborough will be remembered by the candidates and all who were present. Seventeen females and six males were confirmed from our parish, and so far as I am able to judge, I believe they thought seriously of the step they were taking. Their average age was 18 years, and so they were not too young to understand what they were doing. They will come to the Holy Communion for the first time on Easter Day, and I hope many of their parents and friends will come with them.

During Holy Week there will be service each morning and evening, excepting Saturday evening. At the Evening Services there will be a Short Address and the "Story of the Cross" will be sung.

On Good Friday there will be service at 11 a.m., at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; in the afternoon, short addresses will be given on "The Last Words"

On Easter Day there will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 6.45 a.m., at 8 a.m., and after the 11 o'clock service. As you know, Easter Day is the one day above all others when Christians come to the Holy Communion, and I would earnestly invite you all not to neglect this means of grace. If you have neglected it, begin again this Easter. It is an excellent opportunity for making a new beginning; but do not be content to come on Easter Day only, begin then and come regularly, at least once a month afterwards. I hope all who were confirmed last year will come. And may I ask everyone who comes to write his or her name on a slip of paper and place it in the basket in the porch, that the Communicants' Register may be duly marked? The Offertories on Good Friday will, as usual, be for the St. James's Diocesan Home, Fulham; and on Easter Day, for our own Day and Sunday Schools.

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The arrangements for the Sale of Work are now taking definite shape. The School Managers discussed the needs of the Schools at their last meeting and came to the conclusion that the time has arrived when steps must be taken for the provision of a New Class Room for the Boys' School, and New Sanitary arrangements for all the Schools. It was estimated that the cost will not be less than £200. A General Meeting of members of the Congregation was held in the Schools on the 26th ult., when it was decided to hold a Fancy Fair in the Vicarage Grounds, on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 19th and 20th, to raise the funds. A number of ladies kindly volunteered to take, or assist at, the stalls, and many promises of work were given. Mr. H. P. Bowling Trevanion was appointed Treasurer, and Mr. H. C. Garrett, Secretary. A large general Committee was formed, with power to add to their number, and the carrying out of the arrangements will rest with them. Full particulars will be given to everybody by means of circular as early as possible, and in the meantime may I earnestly ask all our friends and sympathizers to give all the help they can themselves, and to beg from their friends far and near. Everything saleable will be most thankfully accepted; such, for instance, as plain and fancy needlework, woodwork, painting, crockery, plants, fruit, flowers, vegetables, grocery, refreshments, and odds and ends of all kinds. A Rummage or Second-hand Stall has been suggested, and if everybody would send the things they have grown tired of, or have no further use for, such as clothing, furniture, glass, china, &c., &c., this would prove a great success. Contributions of work may be sent to whatever stall the donor chooses. Should any prefer to send gifts of money, it will be equally acceptable and may be sent to the Secretary, Treasurer, or myself. I hope it will be felt that this is a matter in which all can help, and that there will be cordial and hearty co-operation on the part of all. Let there be that, and then I am

convinced that we shall have a pleasant task before us, which is sure to prove successful, and to leave satisfaction behind it.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

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HEATING APPARATUS.—Further Subscriptions.

		£	s.	d.
Mr. R. Howe	0	10	0
Mr. Larcombe	0	10	6
Mr. A. F. Cobb ... ..	...	0	10	0
Mrs. A. Bowling ... ..	...	0	5	0
		£1	15	6

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTALS.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Mar. 3.—Curate's Fund ...	2 11 7	1 3 9	3 15 4
„ 10.—General Fund ...	2 7 5	1 0 9	3 8 2
„ 17.—General Fund ...	3 9 6	1 6 8	4 16 2
„ 24.—General Fund ...	2 4 3	1 2 8	3 6 11
At 8 a.m., for Poor Fund, Mar. 3, 4/6; Mar. 10, 9/7;			
Mar. 17, 6/5; Mar. 24, 4/4 ... ..	...	...	1 4 10
At 3.15 p.m., for Missions, Mar. 3, 5/5; Mar. 10, 2/7;			
Mar. 17, 2/11; Mar. 24, 1/7	0 12 6
At Special Celebrations, Feb. 28, 8/1; Mar. 7, 4/6;			
Mar. 14, 3/9; Mar. 21, 7/4	1 3 8
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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.”

March 10.—Hilda Manning.

„ 10.—Dorothy Amy Dolby.

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.

March 9.—Florence Goodman, aged 21 days.

„ 14.—George Alfred Metherell, aged 6 months.

„ 16.—William Armes, aged 75 years.

„ 23.—John Watford, aged 71 years.

„ 26.—Catherine Anne Rawlins, aged 76 years.