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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

A small supplementary list of subscriptions to the Day Schools will be found below. As these were received just after the accounts for the year were made up, they will be carried forward to next year.

It is with most sincere regret on the part of all who are interested in the Day Schools, that we are losing the valuable services of Miss Eastland, who for twenty-three years has filled, with great credit, the office of Head Mistress of the Girls' Department. The Managers would most gladly have continued to retain Miss Eastland if they could have induced her to remain, but after her many years of hard work she desires a period of rest, and I am sure she will carry away with her, the most sincere good wishes of all who have known her in Hampton Hill, that she may long live to enjoy that quietness which she has so well earned and so thoroughly deserves. Two generations of girls have been trained under Miss Eastland's care, and her departure will be felt as a loss by both mothers and children.

The Managers have appointed Miss Annie S. Rogers, of Salisbury, to take Miss Eastland's place, and she will commence her duties immediately after the Christmas holidays.

The Annual Inspection of the Schools took place on the 11th ult., and although the result is not yet known, there was one pleasing feature which I must mention—nearly every child was present, and the few who were not there were prevented by illness. I may also mention that the attendance throughout the whole year has been exceedingly good, so good indeed as to call forth the special remark of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector. The parents have clearly been trying to help the Managers and Teachers in this matter,

and in so doing have shewn themselves very true friends of the children.

The Lectures in connection with the Diocesan Church Reading Union, at the Mission Room, have been well attended. The last two Lectures will take place on Friday, the 4th inst., and Thursday, the 10th, at 11.30 a.m.

The Dramatic Entertainment on the 16th ult., was an entire success—every seat was occupied, and scores of people were unable to obtain admission. This fact has determined the Committee to try to arrange for the next to extend over two evenings. The performances gave very real amusement from first to last; and the excellent music, whenever the curtain was down, made even the interludes entertaining. Our sincere thanks are due to everybody who had a share in it.

The next Entertainment will be a Concert, and is to take place on the 14th inst. An excellent programme has been arranged, and a thoroughly pleasant evening may be expected.

A very large sum of money has been paid into the provident Club in the course of the year. The usual subscriptions for the interest will be thankfully received as soon as convenient. The money will be paid out at the Mission Room, at 11 o'clock, on Wednesday, the 9th inst. The members are requested to be punctual, and in every case to come themselves if they can. We are very much indebted to the District Visitors for all the trouble they have taken in this matter.

Throughout Advent there will be special preachers on the Wednesday evenings, as follows:

- Dec. 2.—REV. PREBENDARY DIGBY RAM, R.D.
- „ 9.—REV. EDWARD BOWLING, M.A.
- „ 16.—REV. PREBENDARY PROSSER, M.A.
- „ 23.—REV. A. W. GOUGH, M.A.

The attendance at Church on the Wednesday evenings has very much fallen off lately, I hope

that the special season and the special preachers will have the effect of bringing about a great improvement in this respect. Advent subjects will occupy our attention both morning and evening on Sundays, and I hope to give a short "instruction" at the close of the evening service, if possible.

The Parish Tea is fixed for Monday, the 21st inst., at six o'clock. Tickets may be obtained from the District Visitors, at Fivepence each up to the 14th inst., afterwards Sixpence. We hope to have a very bright entertainment and a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

On Christmas Day there will be celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7 and 8 o'clock, and after the Morning Service. There will be no Evening Service, but there will be a Carol Service at 5 p.m. The offertories will be for the Poor Fund, which very much needs assistance.

The Mothers' Supper is fixed for Wednesday, the 30th inst., to which the members of the Mothers' Meetings and their husbands will be invited. The Supper will be followed by an Entertainment.

On New Year's Eve there will be a Midnight Service, commencing at 11.15 p.m.

Our Parish Almanack will be issued during the month, and may be obtained from the District Visitors for One Penny.

There will be a Confirmation at our own Church about the middle of March. Classes will be formed immediately after Christmas. In the meantime I shall be very glad to receive the names of any who intend to offer themselves as candidates.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

DAY SCHOOL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Received after the closing of the Annual Accounts.

		£ s. d.		
Per Mrs. HODGE.				
Mrs. Hubbard	0 10 6
Mr. Dawkins	1 1 0
Mr. Lowdell	0 5 0
Mrs. Hodge	0 5 0
Per Mr. GARRETT.				
Mr. J. Foxlee	1 1 0

OFFERTORIES.

		11 a.m.		7 p.m.		TOTAL.				
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.				
Nov. 1.—Curate's Fund	...	3	10	8	2	6	9	5	17	5
„ 8.—General Fund	...	2	3	0	1	15	10	3	18	10
„ 15.—General Fund	...	3	9	11	1	0	2	4	10	1
„ 22.—General Fund	...	3	8	4	1	17	6	5	5	10
Poor Fund (Early Celebrations) Nov. 1, 14/-; Nov. 8, 3/6; Nov. 15, 4/4; Nov. 22, 7/7	1	9	5
Children's Services (Missions) Nov. 1, 2/-; Nov. 8, 1/8; Nov. 15, 1/9; Nov. 22, 1/4	0	6	9
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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."

- Nov. 1.—William James Arthur Batten.
- „ 8.—Alice Louisa Evans.
- „ 21.—Dudley John Elland Norton.
- „ 22.—Annie Elizabeth Bater.

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.*

- Nov. 12.—Samuel Thomas Winslet, aged 73 years.
- „ 17.—Francis Henry Gilham, aged 25 years.
- „ 21.—John Vesey, aged 47 years.