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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

The Sunday School Excursion to Brighton was one of the great events of the past month. The undertaking was a large one for a parish of this size, and after we had become responsible to the Railway Company for £50 for a special train, we half feared we had incurred a larger liability than we were justified in doing. But the risk was reduced to a minimum when Mrs. FitzWygram decided to let the members of her Bible Classes join the Excursion—at her expense—in lieu of their usual trip to Windsor, and when the Churchwardens decided to give tickets to the Choir, and to pay the expenses out of the General Fund. As it proved, the trip was, financially, a great success, and from the particulars given below, it will be seen that it cost no more than the usual Excursion to the Crystal Palace. In every way the undertaking turned out very satisfactory. The journey was quickly and pleasantly accomplished, and, before ten o'clock, many of our party were for the first time in their lives, gazing with wonder and delight upon the deep blue sea, and throughout a brilliant day, all gave themselves up to such innocent enjoyments as are to be derived from boats and bathing machines, nuts and niggers, sands and sandwiches. A large proportion of teachers were present, who took the utmost care of the children, the latter carrying out the directions given to them with wonderful exactness. An exceedingly good tea was provided at Mellison's Restaurant, and we arrived home again at 9.15 p.m., without a casualty, having had a thoroughly enjoyable and not too tiring day. The Band met us at the station, and played us up to the schools, where after sundry cheering for everybody, we sang "God save the Queen," and dispersed.

The Infants' Treat took place at the Vicarage, on Saturday, the 19th ult., but so many of the children had been to the Brighton Trip, that

our numbers on this occasion were smaller than usual. The day was fine, and the little ones appeared to thoroughly enjoy an afternoon of hay making.

The Jubilee has been so much thought about, and talked about, and written about, that it is not necessary to refer to it now at great length, and I must confine myself to our local celebrations. The Services at Church will be remembered as exceedingly bright and appropriate, the singing being exceptionally good. Considering the number of recent appeals to people's purses, the offertories were very good, amounting to upwards of £18. Elaborate preparations had been made for the "festivities," and all would have gone magnificently, had it not been for the tremendous thunderstorm. As it was, the enjoyment was for a time sadly marred; however, the rain was wanted for the fields and gardens, and in the end we did very well, as the celebration was extended to two days instead of one. A thorough spirit of loyalty and good humour took possession of the whole village, and Hampton Hill looked as bright, perhaps, as it ever did in its existence. The Committee, Secretaries, Treasurer, and Collector, had a good deal of hard work, but they did it with unstinted energy and patience under unexpected difficulties, their great effort being to give as much enjoyment as they could to everybody. The outcome of it all cannot but be the promotion of that good feeling and unity all round, which has so much to do with the happiness and even the progress of such a community as ours.

The Rev. Harry Clarkson, who has been Curate here for three years, has accepted the Senior Curacy of Royton, in Lancashire, and will leave us in a few days. He has worked loyally, steadily, and consistently, and our sincerest good wishes will go with him to his new work and home. His place will probably not be permanently supplied until the next ordination in September, but I hope to obtain temporary help in the meantime.

Saint James's Day occurs this year on a Sunday, the festivities for the children will, therefore, take place on the previous Friday, the 23rd inst. The usual routine will be observed. The Children will assemble at the Schools, and, with the Day and Sunday School Teachers, preceded by the Band, will march to the Church for a short Service, and then they will adjourn to the grounds for amusements, games and sports. Tea for the Children will be at 4.30. I need scarcely say we shall also be glad to welcome as many of the congregation and adult parishioners as will come. After tea, every child will be presented with a very pretty Jubilee Medal.

The Festival Services will take place on the Sunday, and on the Thursday Evening following. On Sunday, there will be Holy Communion at 8 a.m., and at mid-day. The offertories will be towards the cost of taking down the Lichgate, and re-erecting it at the lower corner of the Churchyard, where a new entrance will be made in Park road, in which position it will be useful, and will be seen to much greater advantage than it is at present. There will be a repetition of the Festival Service on the following Thursday Evening, at 8 o'clock, when the preacher will be the Rev. Canon Buckley, M.A., Vicar of St. Luke's, Victoria Docks, and formerly Curate of Hampton Hill. The Offertory will be for the Treats' Fund.

The Annual Flower Show will take place at the Manor House, on Wednesday, the 7th inst., when the prizes will be distributed by H.R.H. the Princess Frederica.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL EXCURSION TO BRIGHTON,
JUNE 11th.**

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES—PAYMENTS.

	<i>£</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
L. & S. W. Ry. Co.—193 Adults at 4/-			
243 Children at 2/3	63	0	0
Less 10 o/o discount	6	6	0
	56	14	0
Tea at Brighton and Sundries	12	4	2
Printing	0	16	6
Band	0	11	0
	<i>£</i> 70	5	8
RECEIPTS.			
Sale of Railway Tickets	39	10	0
„ Tea Tickets	3	1	4
From Churchwarden's Fund for Choir	5	19	11
From Mrs. FitzWygram for Bible Classes	14	5	9
Balance from Treats' Fund	7	8	8
	<i>£</i> 70	5	8

OFFERTORIES.

	<i>£</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>			
				<i>11 a.m.</i>			<i>7 p.m.</i>			TOTAL.		
				<i>£ s. d.</i>			<i>£ s. d.</i>			<i>£ s. d.</i>		
May 27.—Ascension Day—Mis-				2	15	8	1	6	3	4	8	11
sions to Seamen												
May 30.—General Fund	2	14	5	1	8	5	4	2	10			
June 6.—Curate's Fund	4	11	1	1	18	4	6	9	5			
„ 13.—General Fund	3	0	11	1	14	4	4	15	3			
„ 20.—Nurse Fund and Rich-				13	8	5	4	12	4	18	12	4
mond Hospital												
8 a.m., 7/4, 3.15 p.m., 4/3... ..												
<i>(Queen's Accession, 63th Anniversary).</i>												
„ 27.—General Fund	1	7	1	1	18	10	3	5	11			
Poor Fund (Early Celebrations), May 30, 6/7; June 6,												
5/8; June 13, 8/-; June 27, 3/-;										1	3	3
Children's Services (Missions) May 30, 1/9; June 6, 2/-;												
June 13, 2/5; June 27, 2/11										0	9	1
Special Celebrations.—May 27, Ascension Day, 7/-; June												
14, Whit Monday, 3/-; June 15, Whit Tuesday, 4/-;												
June 24, St. John the Baptist's Day, 2/6										0	16	6
	<i>£</i> 44	3	6									

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.”

May 26.—Annie Lilian Beckett.

June 7.—Archibald Harold Smart.

„ 13.—Arthur Henry Rixon.

„ 13.—Lawrence William Allder.

„ 13.—Dorothy Alice Ward.

MARRIAGES.

“O Lord, send them help from Thy Holy Place, and evermore mightily defend them.”

May 30.—John Willie Moody to Beatrice Annie Coathupe.

June 5.—William Robert Moscrop to Martha Mullins.

„ 17.—George William Turner to Sarah Amelia Kate Davie.