

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

THE VICARAGE,

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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

There are always fewer matters to refer to in our Parish Magazine this month than in any other month in the year. The greater number of the summer events are over, and the winter work of the parish is scarcely contemplated. However, it will soon be time for us to take up the threads of our different organizations again.

The members of the Communicants' Association met at the Vicarage for their Annual Tea on Tuesday, the 30th ult. The attendance was good, and the weather was most favourable. I was glad to be able to refer to the good attendances at the meetings throughout the year, which had probably never been less than sixty. The accounts showed a balance in hand of £3 10s. 0d. It has been usual to vote a portion of the balance in hand, from time to time, to some special object for the Church or Parish; but the general feeling this time was that, as the balance was not large, it would be wise to reserve it for the present. The number of members of the Association is 108, but the number of Communicants belonging to the Church is 556, so that the proportion is small. I should like to bring the Association before the notice of the Communicants who have not joined it, and to ask them to make a point of attending some of the monthly Meetings, with a view to becoming members. There is no subscription, the offertory at the monthly Meetings meets the expenses and provides something besides for special purposes. An effort is made to suit the addresses to earnest minded people, who are already interested in spiritual

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subjects. I believe that one of the greatest advantages of the Association is the spirit of unity that is promoted. The rules are extremely simple and the only condition of membership is being a Communicant.

The number of summer gatherings has caused the Mothers' Union Meeting to be pushed forward beyond its proper time. The date of the next Meeting will be fixed immediately, of which the members will receive due notice.

The Day Schools will be inspected in Religious Knowledge on Wednesday, the 21st inst. Will parents very kindly take care that their children are present? The epidemic of measles caused a very serious interference with the attendance. It is most important both for the children and Schools that the loss of attendances should now be made up by the utmost regularity.

I am glad to say that Mrs. Grafftey Smith has very kindly undertaken to conduct a Bible Class for girls and young women at the Eastbank Mission Hall, on Sunday afternoons, at 3.30 p.m., the first class will be held on Sunday October 2nd. It is intended for girls over 16 years of age. Those who wish to belong should, if possible, be present at the first Meeting. Will mistresses mention the Class to their servants and, if possible, give them facilities for attending?

Owing to removals from the parish, Mr. Evans, the Treasurer of the Curate's Fund, informs me there is a falling off in the subscriptions. The monthly offertory continues to be well supported, but new subscribers are needed to take the place of those who have gone. I feel sure that this has only to be known for the need to be met. Will those who are willing to become subscribers

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communicate either with me or with Mr. Evans, Eton Lodge?

The Harvest Festival will take place on Thursday, October 6th. The preacher will be the Rev. A. W. GOUGH, M.A., Vicar of St. John's, Highbury Vale. Gifts of corn, fruit and flowers will be thankfully accepted.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

TREATS FUND.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand	4	14	9½
Subscriptions and Donations (as per list in May Magazine)	23	4	0
"Anonymous" in Offertory	0	10	0
Offertories on S. James's Day	3	9	6
	<u>£31</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>3½</u>

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Sundry small accounts for S. James's Day, 1897, and paid after the Balance Sheet was printed	1	1	8
Net Cost of the Brighton Excursion	9	15	6
S. JAMES'S DAY TREAT:—			
Provisions. Printing, Labour, &c.	10	9	8
Band	3	3	0
Punch and Judy	1	10	0
Toys, &c. for Prizes	1	10	0
	<u>16</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>
Balance in hand	4	8	5½
	<u>£31</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>3½</u>

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.		7 p.m.		TOTAL.	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
July 31—General Fund ...	3	16	3	1	15	7
Aug. 7—Curate's Fund ...	1	18	9	1	18	8
" 14—General Fund ...	3	1	0	0	19	7
" 21—General Fund ...	3	6	1	1	6	8
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), July 31, 7/-; August 7, 14/8; August 14, 11/2; August 21, 8/1					2	0
Children's Services (Missions), July 31, 2/10; August 7, 8d.; August 14, 3/1; August 21, 3/6					0	10
Special Celebration. August 24, St. Bartholomew ...					0	4
					<u>£20</u>	<u>18</u>
						<u>5</u>

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."

- July 31—Vera Grace Violet Gates.
- Aug. 14—Alfred James Reed.
- " 14—Edith Sarah Higgs.
- " 14—Lionel Grey Bigg-Wither.
- " 21—Charles Henry Mills.

MARRIAGES.

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

- July 28—Alfred Matthew Cole to Alice Maude Clements.
- " 30—George Dobson to Florence Emily Smith.
- " 30—Walter Ager to Edith Hook.
- " 31—George William Glazier to Mary Elizabeth Bastin.
- Aug. 6—Frederick John Deller to Ada Gamgee.

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.*

- Aug. 4—George Smith, aged 64 years.
- " 17—William Henry Flitton, aged 5 months and 14 days.