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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

The Harvest Festival on the 6th ult., and the following Sunday, was very bright and encouraging. The congregations were large; the offertories good; the Church even more tastefully decorated than usual, and the services worthy of the occasion. We are grateful to all who assisted at the decorations, and to all who sent offerings of fruit, flowers, bread, &c. The fruit, vegetables and bread were distributed amongst the sick and poor.

The first of the Winter Entertainments took place on the 31st ult., and its success gives great promise for the series. The Season Tickets have sold exceedingly well, and a good audience is already assured for the next two Entertainments. It is generally admitted that the Concert was one of the best we ever had, and we are very much indebted to all who so kindly helped, including the following: Mrs. Blandford-Newson, Madame Griffiths, Misses Joseph, Miss Geraldine Cook, Miss Hanrott and Miss James, Messrs. George W. Hodgson, Thomason and Woods, and to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Gerald Griffiths.

It is most probable that the next Confirmation in the Spring will be at our Church instead of at Hampton Wick. I take this early opportunity of mentioning it because I know that there are many who prefer to be Confirmed at our own Church, and who will be glad to know beforehand.

The Annual Conversazione is fixed for Monday, the 14th inst., when I hope we may have as thoroughly representative a gathering as we had last year. The doors will be open at 6.45 p.m. There will be tea and light refreshments which will be handed round. In the course of the evening there will be Music and Singing at intervals, and with the aid of Mr. Bridger I hope to show some beautiful pictures of Swiss Mountains and Glaciers, and to give a little account of my Summer holiday. An effort will be made to make the evening bright, sociable and pleasant. The tickets will be Sixpence each, and should be obtained beforehand from the District Visitors and others.

On Advent Sunday, the 27th inst., the Offertories will, as usual, be for the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts. The preachers will be the Rev. Dr. F. J. J. Smith, formerly Missionary in Newfoundland and China, and the Rev. W. Ferneaux, Vicar of Mortlake.

On St. Andrew's Day, the 30th inst., Special Intercession for Missions will be made at the Morning and Evening Services.

I am glad to say that eighteen members have joined Mrs. Smith's Bible Class for young women, held at the Eastbank Mission Room on Sunday afternoons, at 3.30 p.m.

The rainy weather has revealed some defects in the roof of the Church, and the Churchwardens fear that it may be necessary for them to make an appeal for funds for somewhat extensive repairs.

I am glad to say that the Day Schools have at last received promise of substantial help from the Water Companies, the 'Southwark & Vauxhall' have sent £5 5s.; the 'West Middlesex' £10 10s.; the 'Grand Junction' have promised £25; and the L. & S. W. Railway Company have sent £5. This help is very largely owing to the persevering efforts of Mr. H. C. Garrett, who is one of our School Managers. The aid is most timely, as we have considerable expense before us in connection with the efficient drainage of the Schools, and the improvement of the School Yards, which must be immediately undertaken. The fact that the Companies have now recognised their responsibilities in this matter is a great encouragement to all the supporters of the Schools, and will enable the Managers to place the Schools in a very high state of equipment and efficiency, of which the children will reap the benefit.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

## OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTAL.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Oct. 2—Curate's Fund ...	4 4 7	1 11 9	5 16 4
" 9—Day School ...	8 2 8	3 9 0	11 11 8
" 16—General Fund ...	3 11 8	1 8 4	5 0 0
" 23—General Fund ...	4 5 2	1 15 5	6 0 7
Special Service (Harvest Festival); 11 a.m., Church Missionary Society ...	...	...	6 2 5
8 p.m., Day Schools ...	...	...	4 14 6
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), Oct. 2, 7/7; Oct. 9, 11/4; Oct. 16, 9/6; Oct. 23, 6/5 ...	...	...	1 14 10
Children's Services (Missions), Oct. 2, 2/8; Oct. 9, 8/10, Oct. 16, 2/2; Oct. 23, 3/6 ...	...	...	0 17 2
Special Celebrations, St. Michael and All Angels, 7/3; St. Luke's Day, 3/3 ...	...	...	0 10 6
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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."

- Oct. 9—Edward George Tompkins.
- " 9—Charlotte Flora Brown.
- " 9—Edith Evelyn Jennings.
- " 9—Sydney Edward Tolfree.
- " 9—James Henry Farr.
- " 9—Emily Eleanor Noale.
- " 12—Clifford Edward Singleton.
- " 12—Frank William Wiseman.
- " 16—Edith May Reade.