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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

July is in some respects the busiest month in the year with some of us, and this time it has not fallen behind any of its predecessors. It has, as usual, been a month of "Treats." On the 1st ult., the Sunday School Infants had their afternoon at the Vicarage, and a very quiet happy little gathering it was. On the 10th, the Lads' Brigade assembled at "Fairlight," and under the direction of the Officers marched to the Vicarage Grounds, where they had tea, and afterwards spent the evening in games.

On the 14th, the Annual Meeting of the Communicants' Association took place at the Vicarage. About 60 were present. After tea a very pleasant evening was spent in games, music and singing. Cordial thanks were given to the Secretary, Miss Barnard, for the trouble she had taken in sending out the monthly notices. Some discussion took place with reference to the disposal of the balance in hand, amounting to a little over £5, and it was finally resolved unanimously to devote it towards a stained glass window to be placed in the Baptistery. It had been ascertained that the cost of the window would be fifteen guineas. The Association decided to become responsible for this amount, it being felt that many members would gladly contribute small sums towards it. Such contributions may be given at future meetings, or may be placed in the hands of Miss Barnard or Mr. Dawkins. It is hoped that in course of time the whole of the seven lights in the Baptistery may be filled with stained glass. Mr. W. L. Moore, of Southampton Row, is preparing designs which will be framed and hung on the wall for inspection. It is possible that those who have been baptized in the Church might be willing to undertake one light, and another may eventually be provided for by the contributions of parents of infants baptized in the future.

On the 18th, the quarterly service of the Mothers' Union took place in Church. There was a moderate attendance, and two new members were admitted.

The Dedication Festival on St. James' Day was, as usual, a great day with us. The Church was beautifully decorated. There were celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and 11 a.m. In the afternoon the children met at the Schools at 2 p.m., and preceded by the Sunbury Art Band marched in a magnificent procession to the Church; after a short service they went to the Vicarage Grounds for the usual tea and games. These festivities are so well known that they need no description. It only need be said that children and teachers seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves, and that the crowd of parents and friends who came to look on were thoroughly happy in the happiness of the children. The behaviour of the children was excellent, and no unnecessary trouble of any kind was given. Contributions of provisions, toys, &c., were most kindly sent by Mr. Prewett, Mr. Deacon Howe, Mr. Moles, Mrs. FitzWygram, Mrs. Butler, Mr. Evans, Mrs. Crowder, Miss de Nyssen, Major Balguy, Mrs. Singleton, Mrs. Wallace, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Jones, and others; valuable help was given by Messrs. Singleton & Sons, Mr. Dowsett, Mr. William Singleton, Mr. Arthur Singleton, Mr. Hallt, and Mr. Walter Cuff, while the Day and Sunday School Teachers were untiring in their efforts to amuse the children. The Service in the evening was a very happy close to a really glorious day. The Congregation was larger than usual, but not so large as it ought to have been. I hope the day will come when all who love the Church in Hampton Hill will look upon it as a pleasure and a duty to be present on such an occasion as this. The service was very bright and appropriate, and Mr. Carpenter's sermon was an intellectual treat. The contributions to the Treats' Fund have been amply sufficient, and there remains a balance in hand after all payments.

I regret to say that we have lost the services of our Assistant Mistress, Miss Hutchinson, from the Girls' School. After having been with us three years, she has accepted another appointment near her home at Kingston. She was much appreciated not only by the Managers, but by the other teachers and by the scholars.

Before the School broke up for the holidays, I had the pleasure of asking her to accept a gold brooch which had been subscribed for by the children and teachers, as a mark of their esteem.

I have the pleasure of acknowledging with grateful thanks the following recent gifts to the Church: Embroidered Bookmarkers from Miss Kidner and Mrs. Powell, beautiful Alms Bags from Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths and Mrs. Stutchbury.

The following new subscriptions or donations have been received or promised for the Curate's Fund, for which I am very grateful:—

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Watts	1	1	0
Mr. Joseph	1	1	0
Mr. W. Newton	1	1	0
Mr. H. Southwood	0	10	6
Mr. C. R. Foster	2	2	0
Mr. Prestwich	0	10	0
Mr. Etlinger	0	10	6
Miss Henegan	1	1	0
Anonymous	5	0	0
Mr. Ballard	1	1	0
Mr. Carless	1	1	0
Mrs. Morley	0	2	6
Mr. Bournner	2	2	0

The subscriptions for the Day Schools are now due, and are being kindly collected by Mrs. FitzWygram, Miss Barnard, and Major Balguy (who is good enough to take Mrs. Hodge's place for this year).

After a long period of failing health, Mr. Joseph Powell passed peacefully away on the 27th ult. For fourteen years he had worshipped at the Church with the greatest regularity. Not only will his presence be missed but also his generous charity, which was always ready for every appeal. His painful sickness was borne with uncomplaining patience and great unselfishness. We are truly sorry that he has gone, and we deeply sympathize with those who were nearest and dearest to him in their irreparable loss.

By the time this Magazine reaches you I expect to be on my way to Switzerland for a month's holiday. I am going to take charge of the little English Church at Saas Fée for four Sundays. My colleague, Mr. Phillips, will be

in charge here during my absence, and all cases of sickness, requests for hospital orders, and pension papers, &c., requiring signature, should be referred to him. Mrs. Job will be at the Vicarage, and will be glad to be of any service she can to parishioners. Although I am looking forward with great pleasure to the rest and change, I know that at the end of four weeks I shall be pleased and thankful to be in your midst again.

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.
June 25—Churchwardens' Fund	4 16 0	1 15 8	6 11 8
July 2—Curate's Fund	4 5 2	1 16 6	6 1 8
„ 9—Churchwardens' Fund	3 6 11	1 6 8	4 13 7
„ 16—Churchwardens' Fund	3 7 6	1 1 0	4 8 6
„ 23—Churchwardens' Fund	3 5 9	1 12 9	4 18 6
„ 25—Treat's Fund, St. James' Day	4 12 6
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), June 25, 10/9; July 2, 16/9; July 9, 13/8; July 16, 9/10; July 23, 6/-	2 17 0
Children's Services (Missions), June 25, 2/3; July 2, 3/10; July 9, 4/7; July 16, 4/2; July 23, 4/4	0 19 2
Special Celebrations—St. Peter's Day. S.P.G.	0 17 11
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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."

- July 9—Evelyn Louise Kingsbury.
- „ 9—Florence Lily Moscrop.
- „ 9—Florence May Dobson.
- „ 9—Arthur Henry Bax.
- „ 9—Joseph Morley.
- „ 9—Mabel Morley.

MARRIAGES.

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

- July 5—John Frederick Wright to Annie Alice Makepeace.
- „ 19—Arthur Charles Bournner to Louisa Anna Nicholson.

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.

- June 24—Thomas Charles West, aged 62 years.
- July 8—Emma Sear, aged 50 years.
- „ 17—Robert Herring, aged 79 years.