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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

The recent severe weather, and the unusual amount of sickness, have combined to affect the attendance at Church, and some of the offertories have suffered proportionately. On Ash Wednesday scarcely half as much was contributed for the Colonial and Continental Church Society as last year. I hope some who are interested in this Society will send some help to make up this deficiency. The object of the Society is chiefly to provide Clergy for Colonists in Canada, Australia, and South Africa.

The Curate's Fund has also been a sufferer. The weather on the first Sunday in February was the worst we have had during the winter, and the offertory was the smallest there has ever been for the Curate's Fund. I hope this will be remembered on the first Sunday this month.

Some subscriptions for the Nurse Fund have come in since last month, may I again ask for the remainder to be sent as soon as possible.

Two lectures in connection with the Church Reading Union have been given by the Rev. H. London, which were exceedingly interesting; these are to be followed by two others on the 12th and 26th inst., in the Mission Room at 4 p.m.

The Annual Meeting of the Working Men's Club was held on the 20th ult. There was a good attendance, and great interest was taken in the proceedings. The report showed that the year had been a successful one. The receipts had amounted to £107 15s. 9d., all of which had been expended, and accounts to the extent of £8 were still owing. The room is now in excellent repair, and the furniture and billiard tables in good order. A considerable number of new magazines and papers were added to the list of those already taken, and there will be no lack of something to read for those who have a mind to it. Mr. Basey was re-elected Hon. Treasurer, and he and Mr. Arthur Singleton were elected Joint Hon. Secretaries. There is every reason to hope for a prosperous and satisfactory year for the Club.

I am glad to say that there are upwards of ninety Candidates attending the Confirmation classes, upwards of twenty of these being adults. The Confirmation will be on Monday, the 10th inst., at 8 p.m. Every effort will be made to accommodate the friends of Candidates in the Church. The newly-confirmed will come to the Holy Communion for the first time on Easter Day, and I would earnestly invite their friends to join them. The confirmation will be taken by the Right Rev. BISHOP BARRY, who also hopes to meet and make the acquaintance of the Church Officers and Church Workers at the Schools in the afternoon at 4.30.

On Tuesday, March 11th, there will be a Lime-light Lecture in the Schools, at 8 p.m., by Capt. F. H. Carter, on the work of the Church Army in Slums, Workhouses, Convict and Local Prisons, and on the battle-field, South Africa. This is intended for adults only, the admission will be free, and there will be a collection at the close for the Church Army.

The lists of Special Lent Services are in your hands, and I would strongly invite you to attend those that yet remain. On Good Friday there will service at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., and a quiet hour for meditations on the words uttered on the Cross, from 2 to 3. On Easter Day there will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 6.45, 8 and mid-day. May I remind you that Easter Day is one of the three days in the year when all Christians are expected to come to the Holy Communion, not that they should only come on those special days, but none ought to be absent then. Easter Day marks our gratitude for God's "inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ," and our great joy in the resurrection, which is a promise of a resurrection for us all. Surely nothing could be more fitting than that we should share in this most beautiful feast and service of "Praise and Thanksgiving." If you have not come hitherto, consider whether you ought not to make a beginning. If you have become negligent, will you not do wisely to start afresh? There cannot be a better time than this. All who come to the Holy Communion on Easter Day are asked to

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kindly write their names on slips of paper and place them in the basket in the porch. Attention to this is a very great convenience.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

DATE.	MORNING.		AFTERNOON.		EVENING.	
Mar. 2	87	490	334	261	90	528 259
			330			465, pt. iii.
" 5	...	...	...	...	93	465, pt. iii.
" 9	89	91 252	112	567	112	198 197
			331			466
" 12	...	...	...	...	183	466
" 16	96	97 pt. i.	200	335	200	100 97 pt. ii.
			569			467
" 19	...	...	...	...	96	467
" 23	99	110 98	340	332	99	267 107
			341			Story of the Cross,
" 24	...	...	...	...	466	113 Story.
" 25	...	...	...	...	467	409 Story.
" 26	...	...	...	...	467	111 Story.
" 27	...	...	...	...	108	318 467
Good Friday.	114	105 101	...	...	494	109 122
Easter Eve.	...	...	...	...		123
						125 132 141
						504
Easter Day.	134	135 499	197	504	134	Anthem 137
		497	337			129 140 .

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.			7 p.m.			TOTAL.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Feb. 2—Curate's Fund...	...	1	15	1	1	2	2	17	2
„ 9—Church Expenses	3	7	0	1	8	1	4	15	1
„ 16—Teddington Cottage Hospital ...	7	5	4	2	13	11	9	19	3
„ 23—Church Expenses	2	18	0	1	6	10	4	4	10
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), Feb. 2, 4/10; Feb. 9, 7/1; Feb. 16, 4/8; Feb. 23, 4/1 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0	8
Children's Services (Missions), Feb. 2, 1/-; Feb. 9, 2/2; Feb. 16, 2/4; Feb. 23, 2/1 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	7	7
Special Celebration, Feb. 13, Thursday, 6/1; Feb. 20, Thursday, 10/11	0	17	0
Special Services, Jan. 28, G.F.S., 7/11; Feb. 4, Communicants' meeting, 10/5	0	18	4

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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.”

Jan. 9.—Leonard Ernest Napier.

„ 20.—Winnifred Eva Makepeace.

Feb. 9.—May Wakeford.

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.*

Feb. 10.—Edward Ernest Silvester, aged 32 years.