

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

THE VICARAGE,

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MY DEAR FRIENDS.

I am glad to gratefully acknowledge the further subscriptions to the Church Roof Fund, which are mentioned below.

Mr. Frederick Carless, of "The Den," Welington Road, has kindly consented to act as Hon. Secretary to the Curate's Fund, and in future all subscriptions should be paid to him. New subscriptions will be thankfully received.

The continuous downpour of rain has considerably lessened attendances at services and meetings. This was notably the case when the "Daily News" took the Religious Census of the parish by counting the attendances at church and chapel. However, notwithstanding the inclement weather, Hampton Hill came out fairly well in comparison with other places, ten persons out of every twenty-five being present at Divine Worship. Still, I do not think this gives us any ground for self-congratulations, as it leaves something like 1500 people in the parish unaccounted for.

On the night of the Temperance Meeting, the 26th ult., the rain fell in torrents, and it says much for the forty members present that they had courage to brave the elements. The Rev. J. H. Law's address gave the greatest satisfaction, and I hope we may see him here again before long.

The Annual Conversazione is fixed to take place on Tuesday, the 17th inst., at the Victoria Hall. The doors will be open at 6.30, and the tickets will be one shilling each. There will be tea and light refreshments at 6.45 p.m. I have usually related an account of my foreign experiences on these occasions, but as I have not been abroad for two years I have nothing new to tell, so I have obtained the services of Mr. Fredk. Chester, who will give ventriloquial and musical sketches, which

will, I believe, be of a most amusing character. In addition to which several well-known and appreciated friends will recite or sing, and a group of Band of Hope children will give an Exhibition of Musical Drill. A pleasant evening is therefore certain, and I hope we may count upon the usual large attendance of members of the congregation. Any balance there may be will be given to the Curate's Fund.

Mrs. Vickers has very kindly promised to get up a Dramatic Performance for the benefit of the Nurse Fund. Full particulars will be shortly announced.

The commencement of the Men's Services is deferred for the present, but I hope to renew them after Christmas.

I hope to give a course of four lectures in connection with the Church Reading Union, on Wednesday afternoons, commencing on November 18th, at the Mission Room, at 4 o'clock. The subject will be "The History of the Church of England from 1640 to 1702." This embraces a most important and interesting period. The Secretaries of the Reading Union are Mrs. Job and Mr. Joseph, from whom particulars may be had.

The next quarterly service of the Girls' Friendly Society will be on Thursday, the 5th inst., at 4.30 p.m. After the service an address will be given by Mrs. Maude, at Larkfield, on "Temperance, and how it affects the G.F.S."

On Tuesday, the 10th inst., there will be a service and address for the members of the Mothers' Union at 3.15 p.m.

The Inspection of the Day School in Religious Knowledge is fixed for Tuesday, the 24th inst.

On Advent Sunday, the 30th inst., the annual collections for the "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel" will be made. The preacher at the morning service will be the Rev. H. Livesey, the metropolitan secretary.

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Members of the Congregation will deeply sympathize with the family and friends of Mrs. Larcombe, who passed to her rest on the 24th ult., after a most painful illness. I believe the great purpose of her life was to be true to her faith, and do her duty in her day and generation. Of her sincerity there could be no shadow of doubt.

The Bishop has suggested that all lay helpers should be invited to the Holy Communion on Sunday the 15th inst., and that special prayers should be offered for God's blessing upon lay work in our respective parishes and throughout the Diocese. I would therefore make a strong appeal to our Sunday and Day School Teachers, our District Visitors, the Members of the Choir, and the Church Officers to fall in with the Bishop's suggestion and to come either to the 8 o'clock or mid-day celebration.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

NURSE FUND ACCOUNTS.

CORRECTION.

The following subscription was included in the statement of accounts, but the name was omitted:—

Mr. E. Singleton, 5/-^d

REPAIRS TO THE CHURCH ROOF.

ADDITIONAL DONATIONS.	£	s.	d.
Mr. W. L. Milne	2	2	0
Mr. Kynaston	1	0	0
Miss L. A. Newton	0	5	0

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.			7 p.m.			TOTAL.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Sept. 27—Church Expenses ...	2	4	2	1	9	9	3	13	11
Oct. 4—Curate's Fund ...	6	13	1	3	12	11	10	6	0
„ 11—Church Expenses ...	1	11	4	1	0	0	2	11	4
„ 18—Church Expenses ...	5	10	3	1	14	9	7	5	0
Sept. 29—Harvest Fes., C.M.S.	2	17	11				2	17	11
„ Sunday Schools ...				2	12	8	2	12	8
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) Sept. 27, 11/-; Sept. 29, 13/1; Oct. 4, 13/7; Oct. 11, 4/9; Oct. 18, 14/1 ...							2	16	6
Children's Services (Missions), Sept. 27, 2/1; Oct. 4, 8/8; Oct. 11, 3/9; Oct. 18, 3/7							0	18	1
Special Service (Communicants' Association)							0	12	7
							£33	14	0

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.”

- Sept. 13.—Keith Frank Thornton Coe.
- Oct. 11.—Philip Alan Hawley.
- „ 11.—Herbert Alford Foster.
- „ 11.—James Wakeford.
- „ 11.—Elsie May Martin.
- „ 11.—Annie Alicia Tryphena Tozer.
- „ 18.—Nellie Vera Boulter.

MARRIAGES.

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

- Sept. 24.—George Bassett to Elizabeth Prestwich.
- Oct. 10.—Charles James Clevely to Annie Louisa Hutchings.
- „ 15.—Edmund James Edwards to Flora Newton.

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.

- Sept. 24.—Percy Ethelbert Strand, aged 31 years.
- Oct. 14.—Thomas Tyrrell, aged 63 years.