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THE VICARAGE,

December 1st, 1903.

MY DEAR FRIENDS.

We are passing through a busy time of the year, and parochial events follow each other quickly.

In the early part of November we had our G.F.S. service, and Mrs. Maude, who has many times been to us before, gave an address to the members, after the service, at Mrs. FitzWygram's.

The Mothers' Union Service followed a few days after, when we had a large attendance, and nine new members were admitted.

The Annual *Conversazione* took place on the 17th ult., when the Victoria Hall was quite full, and we had a very bright and enjoyable entertainment. The programme had been prepared by Miss Geraldine Cooke, and contained recitations by Miss Swain and Mr. Kestin, songs by Miss Roberts, Miss G. Cooke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Arthur Singleton and Mr. Alfred Newman. An excellent little exhibition of Musical Drill was given by a dozen members of the Band of Hope, under the direction of Mr. Phillips, Mr. Basey and Mrs. Creane, and Mr. Chester gave great pleasure with his Musical and Ventriloquial Sketches. Miss Barnard and Mrs. Singleton, most of the District Visitors and many others worked hard in dispensing the tea, and it was, on the whole, one of the best gatherings of the kind we have known. There was a balance in hand of £1 9s. 8d. after the payment of expenses, and this has been handed over for the Curate's Fund.

The Church History Lectures, in connection with the Church Reading Union, are fairly well attended. I am sure that if our people were thoroughly acquainted with the history of their Church and Prayer Book, their enthusiasm for both would be very much increased. Our privileges have only been won by great devotion and sacrifice and labour in the past.

Mrs. Vickers is getting up an entertainment for the Nurse Fund, which is to take place at the Victoria Hall, on the 8th inst. I understand that the tickets are being freely bought, and that there is likely to be a full room. It is a most worthy object and certainly ought to meet with general support.

The Provident Club money will be paid out on Wednesday, the 9th inst., at the Mission Room, at 11 a.m. Those who have money to receive should fetch it themselves to prevent mistakes. The amount paid in has been larger than in any previous year. I am sure the depositors must feel very grateful to the District Visitors for all the trouble they have taken in collecting it.

The lists of Advent Services are printed and issued. The object of having this done is to give you a greater interest in the services, and I would earnestly invite you to make a point of attending them regularly. All the Special Church Seasons are intended to be times in which our spiritual life is quickened. They are calls to greater effort and energy. Advent is a warning to prepare for the final meeting with God and the day of Judgment.

The Day Schools have just been inspected both by the Government Inspector and also

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by the Inspectors in Religious Knowledge. The Reports have not yet been received, but from the verbal remarks of the Inspectors, I feel sure that they will be satisfactory. I am glad to say that at the inspection in Religious Knowledge the attendance was higher than I have ever known it before, 484 children being present.

I have no doubt that many will have noticed the great improvement in the Churchyard, especially by means of the asphalt paths. The Churchwardens will be very glad to receive any contributions towards the cost.

I am very glad to say that we are to have some further improvement in the Church. A member of the congregation has most kindly promised to give £50 for the insertion of windows in the place of the ventilators on the north side. These will add very much to the light and greatly improve the appearance of the Church.

On Christmas Day there will be celebrations of Holy Communion at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and after the morning service. The offertories will be for the Poor Fund. There will be a Midnight Service on New Year's Eve.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

THE DAY SCHOOLS.

Statement of Accounts from November 1st, 1902, to 31st May, 1903.

| | INCOME. | |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | £ | s. d. |
| Annual Grant... | 427 | 2 0 |
| Fee Grant... | 158 | 12 6 |
| Voluntary Contributions .. | 47 | 0 0 |
| Sale of Needlework ... | 3 | 18 7 |
| Balance Overdrawn ... | 118 | 4 6 |
| | <u>£754</u> | <u>17 7</u> |

EXPENDITURE.

| | £ s. d. | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Balance Overdrawn ... | 125 | 12 11 |
| Salaries—Principal Teachers ... | 210 | 8 0 |
| Other Teachers ... | 232 | 9 2 |
| Books and Stationery ... | 72 | 14 0 |
| Apparatus, &c. ... | 15 | 8 11 |
| Fuel, Light and Cleaning ... | 55 | 2 9 |
| Repairs to Buildings ... | 20 | 3 11 |
| Rates, Taxes and Insurance ... | 11 | 1 6 |
| Other Expenses ... | 11 | 16 5 |
| | <u>£754</u> | <u>17 7</u> |

Signed, GEORGE SANDERS, Treasurer.

G. F. STUTCHBURY, Auditor,

Chief Accountant to the Bank of England.

November 9th, 1903.

OFFERTORIES.

| | 11 a.m. | | 7 p.m. | | TOTAL. |
|---|---------|-------|--------|-------|-----------------|
| | £ | s. d. | £ | s. d. | £ s. d. |
| Oct. 25—Church Expenses ... | 1 | 18 7 | 1 | 11 6 | 3 10 1 |
| Nov. 1—Curate's Fund ... | 4 | 3 0 | 1 | 15 6 | 5 18 6 |
| Nov. 8—Church Expenses ... | 4 | 5 3 | 1 | 10 2 | 5 15 5 |
| Nov. 15—Church Expenses ... | 4 | 9 2 | 1 | 3 0 | 5 12 2 |
| Oct. 28—Q. V. Clergy Fund ... | 1 | 7 1 | 1 | 10 3 | 2 17 4 |
| Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) Oct. 25, 6/4; Nov. 1, 18/6; Nov. 8, 7/3; Nov. 15, 13/7 ... | | | | | 2 5 8 |
| Children's Services (Missions), Oct. 25, 5/3; Nov. 1, 2/6; Nov. 8, 8/2; Nov. 15, 4/7 ... | | | | | 1 0 6 |
| Special Services, Nov. 2 (Communicants' Association) Nov. 5—G.F.S. ... | | | | | 0 14 4 0 5 0 |
| | | | | | <u>£27</u> 19 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."

- Nov. 1.—Cecil Ernest Allfatt.
- Nov. 8.—Edward Charles Basil Shelbourn.
- Nov. 8.—Barbara Eaton Taylor.
- Nov. 8.—Elizabeth Nellie Goddard.
- Nov. 8.—Frederick Charles Hillier.
- Nov. 8.—George Henry Dicker.
- Nov. 15.—Grace Chipperfield.
- Nov. 18.—Wallace Ernest Britten.

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.

Oct. 28.—Elizabeth Ellen Larcombe, aged 66 years.

Nov. 4.—Fawcett Dawson, aged 87 years.