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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

Let me wish all our readers a very Happy New Year. We have expressed that wish many times during the last few days, probably nothing would contribute more towards the fulfilment of the wish than for each to try to do something to increase the happiness of others.

The Provident Club money was paid out on the 8th ult. £488 18s. 9d., was deposited during the year. £69 14s. 8d. was withdrawn, and the balance, together, with £15 4s. 2d. for interest, was handed to the depositors. No doubt this large sum, saved up for expenses, that are always heavy at Christmas time, was a great benefit to many. The District Visitors deserve our warmest thanks for all the trouble they take in collecting these savings.

Christmas has once more come and gone. The mildness of the weather has been a great blessing wherever there was a shortness of food and fuel, and we may hope that more prosperous days are coming. "Peace on earth, goodwill to men" has again sounded in our ears. The words have lost none of their charm and never will. May we each year enter more fully into the meaning of them, and may we carry more of the Christmas charity and Christmas love into every day of the year. We had 338 communicants on Christmas Day. It is a goodly number, but it did not include all that we should like to have seen there. The offertories for the poor fund amounted to £15 10s. 4d., which was very fair considering the hard times.

We are hoping to form a branch of the Church of England's Men's Society in the parish, and a meeting is to be held in the Church Room, St. James's Road, on Thursday, the 6th inst., at 8 p.m., to hear an Address from the Secretary, the Rev. Gordon Savile, and to take steps for the formation of the branch. The Society was founded by the Archbishop of York, and has a very large number of members all over the country. It seems to be just the kind of thing that all classes of Church people wish for—a means by which they may take their part in Church life. All members are expected to do something for the good of the community. Members must belong to the Church of England. There is a small subscription for membership. There is a monthly Sunday afternoon service, and fortnightly or weekly meetings of a social character and for discussion. I hope that all who wish for information will come to the meeting.

I am glad to say that a further course of lectures in connection with the Church Reading Union will be given by the Rev. W. D. Fanshawe. The subject will be "The Prophecies of Jeremiah." They will commence on Thursday, the 20th inst., at 3.30 p.m., and will take place in the Church Room.

We are commencing a new system in connection with the children's services. We are very anxious that the children should take greater interest in the Church and in their lessons, and we want the parents to help us. Stamps will be given for full attendances, and these are to be placed in small albums which will be supplied to the children at one penny each. Children who do not attend the Sunday Schools, but who attend Church, may take

part in the system. I understand that it creates great interest wherever it is in use.

The Sunday School prize giving will, I hope, take place on Friday, the 21st inst., at the Schools, at 5.30 p.m.

The names of confirmation candidates may now be given to me or Mr. Phillips at any time.

The Orchestral Society have undertaken to get up a Concert to be given at the Victoria Hall, on Thursday evening, the 27th inst., in behalf of the Nurse Fund and the Poor Fund. Help is very much needed for both these funds. I understand that an excellent programme has been arranged, and that several very good vocalists have promised their services.

There will be Missionary working parties on the 7th and 21st.

The Rev. Leslie Morris, of "Roths," Park Road, who is now quite well known amongst us, has been appointed the parochial secretary of the "Waifs' and Strays" Society, and will be very glad to receive any subscriptions, from one shilling upwards, towards the excellent work that is being done by the Society. As you know the Society exists for the purpose of feeding, clothing, training and placing out in the world, orphan boys and girls. Every year a very large number are saved from poverty and misery and given a start in life. The Society most thoroughly deserves our warm support.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.			7 p.m.			TOTAL
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Nov. 28—S.P.G. ...	4	12	5	3	15	6	8 7 11
Dec. 5—Curate's Fund ...	4	5	10	2	3	3	6 9 1
„ 12—Church Expenses ...	3	3	4	1	15	7	4 18 11
„ 19—Church Expenses ...	3	13	6	1	13	2	5 6 8
„ 25—Poor Fund, 7 and 8 a.m., £5/2/10 ...	9	16	3	0	11	3	15 10 4
„ 26—Church Expenses ...	3	2	9	2	0	6	5 3 3
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), Dec. 5, 7/9; Dec. 12, 8-/; Dec. 19, 5/7; Dec. 26, 9/1 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 10 5
Children's Services (Missions), Dec. 5, 4/-; Dec. 12, 4/8; Dec. 19, 1/9; Dec. 26, 5/3 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 15 8
Special Celebrations. Nov. 30, <i>St. Andrew's Day</i> ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 7 3
Dec. 1, <i>Intercession Day</i> , S.P.G. 7/4; C.M.S. 7/3 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 14 7
<i>Thursdays</i> : Nov. 25, 2/6; Dec. 9, (Ordination Fund), 6/4; Dec. 16, 6/7; Dec. 23, 4/6 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0 19 11
Special Services, Dec. 6, Communicants' Guild,	0 13 2
„ „ Dec. 8, Girls' Friendly Society	0 4 1
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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.

- Dec. 6—Marjorie Enid Butt.
- „ 12—William Robert Plaster.
- „ 12—Ellen Phebe Ware.
- „ 12—Evelyn Charlotte Roberts.

MARRIAGES.

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

- Dec. 27—Henry William Atkinson and Maud Carter.

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.

- Nov. 27—Ellen Lewcock, aged 65 years.
- Dec. 15—Marjorie Enid Butt, aged 10 months.
- „ 17—Euphemia Annie Davenport, aged 55 years.
- „ 26—Sarah Evans, aged 65 years.

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

DATE.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
Jan. 2	71 74 Carol	175 330	165 179
		329	433 Carols
„ 5	...	...	76 79
„ 9	78 178 (pt. 1) 488	338 76 341	76 486 220 177
„ 12	...	...	75 78
„ 16	82 81	281 571 346	79 82 219 80
„ 19	...	...	240 31
„ 23	34 83 225	343 261 573	170 83 38 228
„ 26	...	...	406 446
„ 30	489 168 172	332 335 567	282 533 262 186