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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

We are now in the midst of the time when Summer Festivities usually come, and we have already had some of these. The Sunday School Excursion took place on Saturday, the 18th ult. We were to have gone to the Pageant of Empire, but as this was postponed indefinitely owing to the King's death, we thought it best to go to the Japan-British Exhibition, and although our numbers were less than usual, those who went had a delightful day, and the behaviour of the children left nothing to be desired.

Many people have kindly sent subscriptions for the "Treat's Fund," but we yet require about £15, and we shall be most grateful if those who have not subscribed will kindly do so as early as convenient. Subscriptions may be sent to Miss Barnard; to any of the teachers; or to me.

The Mother's Union had their Annual Meeting on Friday the 17th. After a short service the members adjourned to the Vicarage Garden, where a delightful address was given by Mrs. Ball from India. Mrs. Ball is a German lady and has had a wide experience as a Missionary in India. Five new members were admitted, and upwards of a hundred were present.

The Girl's Friendly Society has made a fresh start under the care of Miss Brewer. A Meeting was held in the Church Room on the 8th ult. which was fairly attended. The Annual Festival for the local branches is to take place at Hanworth Vicarage on Monday, the 18th inst.

The C. E. Men's Society is moving steadily forward. The Monthly Meetings and Services will not be held during July and August, but will go on again in September. We should like some

of our younger men to join and to help us in the Sunday School and with our Lads' Brigade. If we could only get the helpers we should like to start a "Scout" Corps in connection with our "Lads' Brigade." By the help of some of the C.E.M.S. a great improvement has been effected in the appearance of the churchyard. I hope that all people who have graves there will endeavour to keep them in order, with the grass neatly cut. Some I hope will be willing to subscribe to the Churchyard Fund. Much more could be done if this were to receive larger support. Subscriptions might be sent to me or given to Mr. Evans the Secretary of the C.E.M.S., or to Mr. Lewin Singleton, who directs the work.

The Rev. E. S. Phillips wishes me to express for him, his sincere thanks for the special gift to him on Whitsunday, which he greatly appreciates. I am also asked by Miss Emily Barton to say how pleased she is with the clock presented to her at the last Temperance Crusaders' Meeting, and she wishes me to express in her name her heartfelt thanks to all the subscribers. Miss Emily Barton has been an excellent worker in the parish for many years, we are extremely sorry to lose her and she will be very much missed by many. At the above Meeting, Miss Hilda Davies was presented with a handbag by the girls whom she had drilled for the Band of Hope Competition.

The Missionary Sale of Work on the 24th was very well patronized, a little over £33 was taken, and the expenses were only a few shillings. We are very much indebted to everybody who gave such willing help. The proceeds will be divided as follows:—£14 to the S.P.G.; £14 to the C.M.S. and the balance to the Colonial and Continental Church Society.

The Annual Meeting and Tea of the Communicants' Guild will take place in the Vicarage Garden

