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MY DEAR PEOPLE.

I was very cheered by the quiet and reverent way in which Passiontide was kept this year among us, and I trust that we shall all have learnt fresh lessons and received fresh help for the coming days—we shall need them.

May I remind you, specially those who have dear ones at the front, that we have one day in the month set aside for Intercession, from 8 a.m. to 5.30. The day for May is Friday, 26th.

The Colours for the C.L.B. Battalion, mentioned last month, were duly presented on Easter Monday. I was glad to see a good number of Parishioners present. The Colours will be deposited "for safe custody" in our Church.

Mrs. Poley has kindly consented to make arrangements for a Jumble Sale, on Wednesday, May 31st. "Jumble" should be sent to the Church Room on the 30th.

I hope to have ten days rest, beginning on May 1st, and shall be glad to be spared unnecessary correspondence. There will be no *week-day* services from May 1st to the 13th. The Church will receive a thorough cleaning in that time.

Messrs. Singleton have presented an oak box to the Church, in which donations, greatly needed, may be placed for the Churchyard Fund.

I am very grateful for your generous offering made to me on Easter Day, amounting to £26 10s.

I should like to express my appreciation of the services gratuitously rendered to the Parish and myself by the Rev. R. Leslie Morris, who has been most kind in rendering assistance in so many ways.

Yours truly,

R. COAD PRYOR.

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The National Mission.

It is doubtful whether the Church of England has ever been called to a task so great as that to which we are now summoned by the Archbishops. There have been great movements within the Church; but this is a movement of the whole Church, a call to discharge that mission to the nation, as a nation, with which it is entrusted. The times require such an effort; the horizon of

men's thoughts has been suddenly and immensely expanded; we are conscious, as most of us were not two years ago, of our membership in the nation, and of the responsibility of our nation in the world. Our sons and brothers at the Front are serving their nation and helping it to meet its responsibility, at the risk of their lives; many of them in doing so are finding a new realisation of God. We at home must seek from God the power to rise to new heights so that we may be worthy of their sacrifice, and provide for them on their return a home that will sustain their spirit of devotion to duty and service to God.

But to this end we must first take stock of ourselves. Very much has come to light which shows the need for amendment and renewal of life. It is sad to find how little the manhood of the nation, as represented by the men in training camps and the like, is really touched by the Church. We have not brought home the message with which we are entrusted as it needs to be brought home. We must seek in prayer and meditation and conference to find the cause of our ineffectiveness where it exists, so that we may repent of it and remove it where it lies in ourselves as individuals or as members of the Church in our neighbourhood.

If we will do that, there is before us a great hope—the hope of an England leavened and guided in regard to its whole life, domestic, social, industrial, political, international, by a Church whose members have sought the will of God in humility and prayer, and are ready to witness together to the Majesty of God and to His redeeming Love in Christ. It is a time for prayer, for teaching, for witness; may God give us all faith that we may pray, knowledge that we may teach, and courage that we may witness—all these according to His will and to the praise of His glory.

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London Diocesan Missionary Day.

A MISSIONARY DAY for the Diocese is being arranged by the Diocesan Board of Missions.

It will be held in the City on Saturday, July 1st, under the presidency of the Lord Bishop of London, and will have the sympathy and support of the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, who will take the chair at one of the meetings.

The "Day" will begin at 8 a.m. with a celebration in St. Paul's Cathedral, the Bishop celebrating. (There will also be a celebration in our own Church at 8, for members of the Congregation unable to be present at the Cathedral).

Meetings (morning and afternoon) will be held in the Guildhall.

A Service of Intercession in the Cathedral at 5.30 p.m. will bring the "Day" to a close.

The War has accentuated mankind's need of Christ; also, by the removal of old barriers, it is presenting new and altogether unique opportunities of making Him and His saving grace known throughout the world. It is a call to the Church to press forward in the Divine enterprise of Missions.

The purpose of "the Missionary Day" is, by God's blessing, to bring home this call to the minds and hearts of Church people, and it is the most earnest hope of the Bishop that they will assemble in large numbers from all parts of the Diocese, to seek from the Holy Ghost enlightenment and renewed inspiration.

The Missionary Call of the War will be considered at the meetings under the following aspects (each with three sub-divisions)—

1. The Call through the Teaching of the War.
2. The Call through the Discipline of the War.

Only selected speakers will address the meetings, and the following, so far, have accepted the Board's invitation: The Right Rev. Bishop Montgomery, the Rev. Cyril Bardsley, the Rev. E. A. Burroughs, the Rev. W. Temple, and Mrs. Paget.

The programme, together with details as to arrangements, tickets, meals, etc., will be announced next month.

Church of England Waifs' and Strays' Society.

The proceedings in connection with the 35th Anniversary of the Society will commence on the 30th May with a celebration of Holy Communion in the Crypt Chapel of St. Paul's Cathedral at 8.45 a.m. In the afternoon the Annual Public Meeting will be held in the Horticultural Hall, Vincent Square, Westminster, at 3 p.m., when the Lord Bishop of Chichester will preside, supported by the Lord Bishop of Tokyo, the Rev. Viscount Mountmorres, the Lord Islington, the Hon. Evelyn Hubbard, Evelyn Cecil, Esq., M.P., Dr. Mary Scharlieb, and the Rev. Prebendary Rudolf (Founder and Secretary of the Society).

Many of our parishioners are doubtless interested in the good work which this Society is doing, and will, therefore, be glad of the opportunity of being present. It is especially interesting to note the important "War Work" which this Society is doing by taking into its Homes little children, dependents of our Soldiers and Sailors, who have been left homeless or unprotected by reason of the War. We cannot let these children suffer.

The Easter Vestry was held on Thursday, 27th April, in the Church Room, the Vicar presiding. The Churchwardens' report, on account of pressure on our space, will appear in next month's magazine.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

"Greater love hath no man than this."

Edward Bligh, Albert Becket, Jack Bowpitt, Frederick Branch, George William Brickwood, Richard Burr, Richard Doughty, A. Dundas, Harold Elliott, Herbert Gernat, William Owen Glenfield, Frank Gwynn, William Gregory, B. C. Hockley, Albert Hutchins, W. Nash, Harry Roberts, John Sait, Jack Smith, Martin Thorp, Dudley Tidey, H. J. Tomkins, Albert Turner, Arthur White, George Wotton.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTAL
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
April 2.—Assistant Clergy Fund	3 12 3	1 4 11	4 17 2
" 9.—Church Expenses ...	2 14 10	1 11 2	4 6 0
" 16.—Church Expenses ...	2 10 8	1 10 8	4 1 4
" 23.—Easter Offering (all day, except Child. ser.)			26 10 0
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) Apr. 2, 11/2; Apr. 9, 8/7; Apr. 16, 8/3			1 8 0
Children's Services (Missions)—Apr. 2, 2/5; Apr. 9, 2/5; Apr. 16, 2 1; Apr. 23, 2 8			0 9 7
Week-day Celebrations:—Apr. 3, 2/0; Apr. 6, 1/7; Apr. 13, 2/9; Apr. 20, 0/7; Apr. 24, 2/7			0 14 10
Good Friday—Rescue Work			3 1 4

Total - £45 8 3

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

April 8—Philip Ernest Lang Beldam.
 ,, 24—Kenneth John Dudding,

MARRIAGE.

"Those whom God hath joined together."

April 3—Ernest Goodall Copestake and Agnes Louisa Lester.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

March 29—Alfred Dudley Tidey, aged 21 years.
 April 1—Thomas Charles Richards, aged 27 years.
 ,, 3—Elizabeth Dushy, aged 28 years.
 ,, 22—Marjorie Alice Hillyer, aged 4 years.