Bere Regis
AND
Winterborne Kingston

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CHURCH SERVICES.

BERE REGIS.—Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion, August 4th, at Morning Service; August 18th, at 8 a.m.

KINGSTON.—Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Holy Communion, August 4th and 18th, at Morning Service.

THE FLOWER SHOW.

The Committee of the Horticultural Society have not forgotten the fact that the summer months slip away very quickly, and they have met several times during the last two or three months to consider all the hundred and one matters which have to be settled, with a view to making our first flower show a complete success.

The Secretary (Mr. W. Bullen) received very kind answers from, we may almost say, all of those to whom the Committee thought they might venture to apply for patronage and help towards the expenses. The full accounts will be read at the general meeting, which will be held, according to the rules, in September or October. Meanwhile, we express our best thanks to those who have so generously supported the infant society. The show is to be held in Court Green on August 30th, Mr. Daniel Cobb having kindly lent the field for the purpose. It is hoped that there will be a large number of entries in the various classes, and that there will not be many who will hold back from exhibiting their flowers, vegetables, &c., from a fear of being beaten. Every exhibitor will have the satisfaction of feeling that he has done something towards making the show successful. A very good band has been engaged, which will play during the afternoon and evening. We have every confidence that, if only we have the good fortune to have a fine day, our first horticultural fête will prove so interesting and enjoyable that there will be no question as to whether or not to have a second edition in 1890.

THE SCHOOL TREAT.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrer hope to have the children attending the Bere and Bere Heath Schools and the various Sunday School classes to tea on Wednesday, August 7th. The village fête this year will be the Flower Show, and it is, for this and other reasons, not intended to have a band at the children's treat, nor will there be sports, except for the children. The gate from the lane to the field will be open at five o'clock to parents and other friends who may wish to see the children enjoy their games and races.

THE SCHOOLS.

We have not much to say this month about the schools, beyond what the Government Inspector's reports will be found to say of them. It is satisfactory that the Girls' and Infants' Schools both succeeded in getting the grant for note singing. It was as late as the 20th of October that Mr. Spencer Smith was kind enough to come over and give a lecture on the subject of singing on the Freehay System, and we have him to thank in great part for the result so speedily attained.
Last year note singing was not attempted in either of these two schools. We print below, as we promised last month to do, the names of those who passed successfully in all three subjects—reading, writing, and arithmetic—in the fourth, fifth, and sixth standards:

**BOYS'**

- Charles Moseley
- James Janes
- Robert Lane
- Arthur Langdown
- Percy Gregory
- Frederick Cobb

**STANDARD.**

- VI.
- V.
- IV.

**GIRLS'**

- Annie Davis
- Kate Hewitt
- Florence Poore
- Caroline Bartlett
- Annie Mate
- Alice Janes
- Harriet Hewitt
- Charlotte Pitcher

**HEATH.**

- Gertrude Langdown
- Mary Wilcox
- Maria Hawkins
- Fred Grant
- Edwin Poore
- Harry Payne

**STANDARD.**

- V.
- IV.

**KINGSTON.**

- Francis Cake
- Bertie Berry
- John Miller
- Charles Miller
- Beatrice Dunn
- William Arnold
- John Sansom
- Jane Arnold
- William Marsh
- John Stroud
- Nellie Cox
- Blanche Sansom
- Flora Miller
- Augusta Miller

**STANDARD.**

- VI.
- V.
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We were afraid we were likely to lose Miss Henville from the Kingston School, but are glad to say she has decided to retain her post as assistant mistress.

**H.M. INSPECTOR'S REPORT.**

**Boys' School.**—"The discipline is good, and the results are pretty good on the whole. Reading is tolerably well prepared. Handwriting is good in the lower division, and pretty good in the upper classes. The second standard can only write upon slates. Arithmetic is fair in the third and fifth standards, and pretty good in the other standards. Grammar is not sufficiently good for a pass, though the recitation has been carefully taught. Geography is much more successful, and the same boys who appeared to be so dull during the grammar examination, gave bright and intelligent answers in the former subject, showing that the instruction has been sound. Note singing is nicely taught."

**Girls' School.**—"On the whole the Girls' School has passed with much credit, though there are a few points still for improvement. Reading, as a rule, is careful and fluent, but in the fourth standard it may be improved in intelligence. Handwriting is improving. It still requires care and attention to bring it up to the level of the best schools for roundness and regularity. The remark contained in last year's report, which had been overlooked, still applies to the writing in the second standard, which is still on slates only. Spelling is good. Arithmetic is well prepared in the first, second, third, and fourth standards, but it is not a strong point yet in the fifth, sixth, and seventh. Grammar does not reach the level required for a pass; and it is..."
possible that geography would be a more congenial subject, if this should be allowable under the next Code. Needlework is nicely done on the whole. Buttonholes may be rather better. Singing is nicely prepared, and the general organization and discipline of the girls' department are very pleasing.

INFANTS' CLASS.—"The elementary work is considerably improved, and each subject is now good, excepting number in second class, which is not a strong point. As regards the important subject of object lessons, I fear the same remark which has been made before still applies. Too few children are prepared to answer in each class. The answering ought to come from the class as a whole—not from a few of the brighter children. Varied occupations are nicely prepared, Singing is satisfactory. Needlework drills are smartly done. The order may be a little firmer than at present as regards whispering."

BERE HEATH SCHOOL.—"The results of the examination in the elementary subjects are very fairly good, and show the mistress of this school to be one of the hard-working teachers. Needlework is pretty good. The percentage of passes is 83.3, or about the average. Singing is improved, and the discipline is good. The infants may be better advanced. There is not much space for increased numbers."

THE LENDING LIBRARY.

Mrs. Farrer acknowledges with thanks, on behalf of those who use the library, two more subscriptions of 1s., from Mrs. Henning and Mrs. T. Miller.

RAINFALL.

We give below our usual quarterly table, showing the amount of rain which has fallen at the places mentioned in April, May, and June. Last year by the end of July we had had over 17 inches of rain, and now by the 28th of July we have only had 12 1/2 inches. May and June were dry months in our district, there being only eight days in May and seven in June on which rain fell. The record is as follows:

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The amounts recorded at Creech Grange in the first three months of the year were—January 0.82, February 1.80, March 2.63.

KINGSTON.

BAPTISMS.—June 22, Evelyn Florence, daughter of Henry and Harriet Ellen Sexton (Bournemouth); July 21, Winifred Jane, daughter of George and Bessie Small; July 21, Joseph, son of George and Annie Keynes.

BURIALS.—June 27, Ann Stickland, aged 53 years; July 10, Frederick Charles Wellstead, aged 16 years; July 11, Mabel Florence Miller, aged 2 years.