Church Services.

Bere Regis.—Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Holy Communion, June 5th, at Morning Service.
June 19th, at 8 a.m.
Children's Service, June 26th, at 2-30 p.m.

DIOCESAN SUNDAY.
The Collections for the Diocesan Societies on Rogation Sunday were as follows:—8 a.m., 15s.; Morning, 19s. 6½d.; Evening, 9s. 9½d.; Total, £2 4s. 4d.
At Kingston the amount collected was 12s. 6d.

CLUBS, &c.
The Club payments will be taken on the first Monday in July, and the second Monday in August.
The Library will be closed during July and August. All books must be returned on the last Monday in June.

THE FLOWER SHOW.
The Flower Show will probably be on Thursday, the 25th of August.
The Schedules will be issued before long.

THE SCHOOLS.
Mr. Dalison examined the Bere Regis Schools in Religious Knowledge on Wednesday, the 18th of May. He kindly gave certificates for 'good answers' to 6 children in each School.
We give his 'reports' in full.

Boys' School.
"This School has passed a good examination. The Old Testament subjects in Groups II. had been particularly well prepared; and in Group I. the answers given in certain places were very good, though somewhat weak in others.
The Catechism throughout was very accurate, and intelligent answers were given to leading questions. Repetition was very good, and the writing out of Group I. extremely good.
Tone and discipline is excellent."

Girls' and Infants.
"This School has passed a very good examination. The Old Testament had been very well prepared in the Standards and a good grasp of the facts which led up to the disruption of the kingdom was shewn.
The Children knew their Catechism faultlessly and were ready with answers to explanatory questions.
The Infants, although many of the elder ones had passed into the Standards, did very well.
The repetition throughout was very accurate.
Tone and discipline extremely good."
The Attendance Prize list was as follows:—
(In some cases allowance is made on account of absence through illness or infection.)
Boys' School open 390 times.
Herbert Janes .... 390
Herbert Barnes ...
Cecil Lucas .... 388
George Cook ...
Frank Barnes ...
Morton Eaton ...
Bertie Lucas ...
Frank Poore ...
Frank Hibbs ...
Stanley Hookey ...
Cecil George ...
Walter Eaton ...
George Hann ...
Fred Hibbs ...
Allan Bartlett ...
Jesse Cobb ...

Girls' and Infants open 376 times.
Nellie Bartlett ..... 369
Laura Sheppard ..... 365
Nellie Janes ..... 360
Gertrude Miller ..... 356
Infants.
William Cook ..... 375
Alfred Barnes ..... 375
Flossie Barnes ..... 372
Charlie Toms ..... 366
Annie Hann ..... 362
Emma Cobb ..... 361
Harvey Cobb ...
Ross Poore ...

THE WHEELED BIER.

Mr. Farrer acknowledges with many thanks the following subscriptions towards the Wheeled Bier. He hoped that all those who thought that the Bier ought not to be paid for either by the Rates, or by the Jumble Sale money would have been glad to subscribe, and that thus there would have been a long list of contributors desirous to help in obviating their own objections, and in securing for the Parish the Bier, which all are agreed is much needed. Further contributions will be most acceptable and they should be given at once, as the order for the Bier is already given.

£ s. d.
Rev. and Mrs. W. Farrer ..... 5 0 0
Mr. and Mrs. Radclyffe ..... 2 0 0
Mr. Hibbs ..... 1 1 0
Mr. and Mrs. Bugby ..... 0 5 0

SCHOOL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

We print below the list of those who subscribed to the Parish Schools for the year 1897—1898. We commend to the attention of all the following figures and facts:

Board Schools cost 10s. 7d. per head more than Voluntary Schools.
160 children at 10s. = 1600s. = £80.
This sum is saved to the landowners and ratepayers of this parish, annually, by the fact that Mr. Warre, Mr. Mansel-Pleydell, and others resisted the desire of some for a Board School in 1874.

£80 a year for 25 years is £2000.
This sum does not include the cost of new Schools and Teachers' houses which would have been required if the rival scheme had then been carried. The amount uncollected this year was £14 1s. 5d. This is not as it should be. Parish burdens ought to be shared by all.

SUBSCRIBERS TO KINGSTON SCHOOL.

£ s. d.
Mr. Mansel-Pleydell ... for Rent ..... 5 0 0
Mr. Bond .... ..... 20 0 0
Rev. W. Farrer ... ..... 5 0 0
A Threepenny Rate on £2106, the Kingston Rateable Value, would produce £26 6s. 6d.

SUBSCRIBERS TO BERE REGIS & BERE HEATH SCHOOLS.

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EXCURSION TO LULWORTH.

Wednesday, the 25th May, will be remembered as the date of one of our most successful excursions. The day was fine and warm—a fact worthy of record in such a precarious season. Last year the exodus of the Band of Hope numbered 70. This year it was over 100 in number, being reinforced by the Boys’ Brigade. The total was made up of 38 boys and 31 girls of the Band of Hope, and 20 members of the Brigade. A great many friends most kindly helped in various ways to make the excursion possible and successful. It is our privilege to thank the Bishop of Salisbury for allowing us to make use of his cottage close to the Cove for our head quarters. This kind thought of his made it much easier to make the preparations for dinner and tea, and the use of the house was a great boon. Wagons were lent with their well proved kindness by Mr. Radclyffe, Mr. F. Radclyffe, Mr. Tozer, Mr. Besent, and Mr. Janes. From Hyde and from Culeaze also came bountiful supplies of provisions, as well as from Mrs. Lys, Mrs. George Lys, Mrs. Besent, Mrs. Farrer, and Mrs. Bullen. Mr. Bedford supplied dessert in the shape of an inexhaustible stock of oranges. Mr. Lys and Mr. Jessey subscribed 10s. each, and Miss Lys 2s. 6d. towards the expenses. Very many thanks are accorded to all who thus helped to make the day such an entire success. The journey and meals on these occasions are very important items in the programme. The afternoon on the beach was very delightful, and all the children reached their homes, tired but happy, shortly after 9 p.m. The party was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Farrer, Miss Lys, Mrs. Jessey, Mrs. Bullen, Mr. Bellairs, Mr. Bedford, Mr. Janes, Mr. Bugby, and Mr. Walter Shave.
THE BOYS' BRIGADE.

The Boys' Brigade is in course of being enrolled as the 1st Bere Regis Company with due formality, and with a full complement of officers. These are as follows:

Captain ... ... Mr. Walter Shave.
Chaplain ... ... Rev. W. Farrer.
1st Lieutenant... Rev. C. Bellairs.
2nd " " ... Mr. Jenkins.
3rd " " ... Mr. Bugby.

Recruits are wanted to bring the Company up to the required strength —viz., 20.

BERE REGIS.


BURIALS.—May 6, Esther Mary Scott, aged 82 years.
" 18, William Reginald Rawles, aged 2 years.
" 20, Jane House, aged 65 years.

KINGSTON.

BURIALS.—April 28, Lottie Louisa Burt, aged 16 years.
May 3, Mary Ann Coakes, aged 38 years.
" 23, Honor Besent, aged 67 years.