Bere Regis

AND

Winterborne Kingston

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Church Services.

Bere Regis and Kingston.
Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Holy Communion, June 4th, at Morning Service.
June 18th, at 8 a.m.
The Bere Regis Children’s Service will be held on the 2nd of July, instead of on June 25th.

C. M. S.
The Service in connection with the Church Missionary Society’s Centenary Celebration was held on Friday, the 5th of May. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. H. Jackson, who has for some years been a Missionary in India. There was a very fair congregation. The Collection amounted to £3 5s. 2d. To this sum was added the amount collected in two boxes: Mrs. George’s amounted to 8s. 4d., and that of Mr. Lucas to 4s. 2d. Mr. Baker wishes specially to thank, on behalf of the Society, those who undertook the charge of collecting boxes.

THE DIOCESAN SOCIETIES
The Annual Collections for the Diocesan Societies were made at both Churches on Rogation Sunday, and resulted as follows:—
Bere Regis, Morning, £2 6s. 2d.; Evening, 10s. 5d.;
total, £2 16s. 7d.
At Kingston, the Collections amounted to 17s. 8½d.

KINGSTON.
Sunday School is held in the Morning at 10-15. In the Afternoon the children meet at the School at 2-55, for the 3 o’clock Service at the Church. Mr. Newman hopes that parents will attend the Children’s Service. Miss Kent has kindly undertaken to play the organ at the Children’s Service. Mrs. Stacey, Miss Guy, and Miss M. Burt, are taking Classes in the School.

Choir Practice will be on Friday at 7-30 p.m., at the Church. Mr. Newman hopes to be able to arrange for a Choir Excursion in the course of the summer.
The Coal Club and Penny Bank payments will be taken at the Parsonage on Mondays, from 12 to 1.

Mrs. Stacey has started a Class for instruction in Needlework, which is likely to prove very useful. The members meet at the Reading Room on Tuesdays, at 4-30 p.m.

THE ARCHDEACON’S VISITATION.
We are glad to be able to report that the gathering at Wareham on the occasion of the Archdeacon’s Visitation on the 19th of May was again a very large one. There was a regular exodus from Bere Regis, the party numbering 33, and 9 or 10 went from Kingston. Those who had carriages most kindly took a few friends with them, and the cavalcade of 7 or 8 carriages on the way home made the Wareham road quite lively. The Service was at 3-30, and the Archdeacon’s Address was, as usual, inspiring and uplifting. The tea in the school was followed by addresses by the Archdeacon of Cornwall and the Rev. W. J. Birkbeck, formerly Vicar of St. Thomas’, Salisbury. We shall not soon forget Archdeacon Cornish’s most amusing descriptions of the things ‘people’ say and do, “not in Dorset, of course, but in other parts of England.”
To judge by the laughter and appreciation of his stories it would seem that some of those present thought Dorset was, after all, 'some kin' to Cornwall. Our Archdeacon deserves our very hearty congratulations on the success of his effort to promote a feeling of union and comradeship among Church workers. It is no small thing to do to gather together such a number of people from distant places to attend a Service and to listen to Addresses, and so to conduct the proceedings that all came away both pleased and edified, and regretting that there are three years to wait before the Archdeacon holds another of his most useful and popular Visitations.

EVENING SCHOOLS' REPORTS.

"Bere Regis.—A large and flourishing Evening Continuation School has been held. The scholars are attentive and interested, and a good course of instruction has been provided in Arithmetic, Mensuration, Geography, and Drawing. In the latter subject some really good work has been done. The Vicar and Mrs. Farrer have been kind enough to give their occasional help in the instruction."

"Kingston.—The attendance has been excellent all through the session, and it is a great advantage when Managers visit so frequently, and take such an interest in the work of the Evening School. The youths enjoy the well-prepared and interesting lessons in Geography, and the Arithmetic this year is of a much more advanced kind. Vocal Music has been very capably taken by the Rev. C. H. W. Bellairs. The tone and discipline are excellent."

THE SCHOOLS.

Our School year ended on April 30th, and we give, as usual, a few Statistics, as well as the Accounts of the various Schools. The names of the Attendance Prize Winners must be held over till next month.

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Kingston School was closed for some time on account of the prevalence of mumps.

We hope that the Bere Heath School will commence work under Miss Cotton, the new Mistress, at the end of June. The School was closed at short notice on the 15th of May, in order to comply with some regulations of the Department. We are not yet sure whether or not we shall be allowed to open the School during June.

SUBSCRIBERS TO BERE REGIS & BERE HEATH SCHOOLS.

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The Accounts, 1898-9.

BERE REGIS SCHOOLS.

In hand ... 1 18 5½
Government Grant:
Boys ... 51 11 3
Girls ... 27 18 0
Infants ... 33 3 0
Fee Grant ... 61 12 6
Aid Grant ... 18 0 0
Williams' Charity ... 18 12 2
Subscriptions ... 87 8 6½
Coal sold to Night School ... 1 0 0
Other sources ... 1 16 9

£ 303 0 6

BERE HEATH SCHOOL.

Government Grant ... 81 7 9
Fee Grant ... 15 7 6
Aid Grant ... 6 0 0
Subscriptions: Rev. W. Farrer ... 10 0 0
From the Rate ... 22 13 6½

£ 85 8 9½

KINGSTON SCHOOL.

Deficit, 1898 ... 5 13 0½
Deficit, 1897-8 ... 13 4 2
Master ... 22 0 0
Assistant, Mixed ... 24 4 0
Infants ... 32 4 4
Monitors, Mixed ... 20 0 0
Infants ... 6 0 0
Books, &c. ... 14 13 10½
Fuel and Cleaning ... 7 10 2
Repairs, &c. ... 10 12 8
Rent ... 20 0 0
Prizes ... 1 11 0
Board of Education ... 0 5 0

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[A sum of £5 2s., part of the item, Books, Desks, &c., in the Bere Regis Expenditure, was charged by mistake to that School Account, instead of to Bere Heath School.]

THE REPORT:

"The School is in excellent order, and very good work has been done during the past year. The Elementary Subjects are well advanced, and the Daily Exercises are neat and careful, especially in the upper division. The Class teaching of Geography and Elementary Science is very creditably done. More common objects are required for illustrating these lessons in the lower standards and infants’ class. The songs are sung with expression, and the note tests are well done. Drawing is of varied merit. Needlework is good."

Infants’ Class.—"The order is good, and on the whole the work is satisfactory, particularly so in the first class. The Object Lessons are satisfactory and the varied occupations are creditable. Needlework and Drills are well done, and the Singing is fairly good."

The Grant amounts to £77 5s. In 1895-6 it was £103 16s. 6d. The Fee Grant now is £41 10s. At that date it was £54 10s. This difference is accounted for entirely by the falling off in the numbers of the children. The number has fallen from 109 in 1895 to 81 now. Each child in attendance is paid for by the Government at the rate of —say, 18s. 6d. + 10s. Fee Grant. Twenty-eight times twenty-eight shillings and sixpence is about £40. We are obliged, this being so, to reduce the Staff. It will be seen that the Fuel bill is very low.

The Grants earned are the highest that are given except in the case of the Variable Grant for the Infants, which was ‘good’ or 4s., instead of a possible 6s.

It will be seen that the dole of £9 or £10 from the Aid Grant will not go far towards meeting our present deficit.

BERE REGIS.

BAPTISMS.—April 30, Margaret Beatrice, daughter of Hiram and Sarah House.

May 7, Samuel, son of Samuel and Florence Hewitt.

MARRIAGE.—May 25th, Charles Elliott, of Gussage All Saints, to Emma Rebecca Oliver.