CHURCH SERVICES.

Bere Regis.

Church Services: Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Holy Communion: July 7th at Midday.
"Children’s Service," 21st at 8 a.m.
"28th, at 2-30 p.m.

The Vicar will be away during the month of July. His place on June 30th will be taken by the Rev. E. T. Hamel; during July by the Rev. W. J. Sommerville, Vicar of S. George the Martyr, Southwark.

JUMBLE SALE.

We hope to have a Jumble Sale in the month of August, the proceeds to be given to Church purposes. Our friends are invited to send any saleable articles they may have by them.

SCHOOL REPORTS.

The Vicar is sure that his remark in the last Magazine that the teachers of the various Schools in Bere Regis and Kingston 'well deserve the confidence of the parents of the scholars,’ is borne out by the reports printed below. The teachers have worked hard and conscientiously; the pupils are intelligently taught and always seem happy and in good order. The highest grant has been earned in all cases. The attendance is on the whole good, but in some cases might be more regular to the great benefit of the scholars themselves. The Vicar must disclaim the credit given to him in the report respecting the improvement of the premises of the Bere Boys' School. He did little more than spend the balance handed to him by his predecessor.

In the list of contributions to the Bere Schools, printed last month, the following were omitted:—Mr. J. Welch 2/3, Mrs. T. Sheppard 2/6, Miss Dowden 1/6, and the item R. Stockley £1 3s. 10d. was an error.

A friend points out that it will be misleading not to call attention to the fact that in the following cases subscribers have paid subscriptions in excess of the amount at which they are rated—Mrs. Erle Drax rated at £14 3s. 1d., gives £17; Mr. Blaine, rated at £6 11s. 7d., gives £7; Mr. Mansel Pleddell rated at £2 8s. 2d., gives £20; Mr. Hibbs rated at 18s. 7d., gives £1; Mr. Sotheby rated at £3 6s. 8d., gives £16.

Bere Regis Schools.

Boys' School.—The school premises have been much improved under the care of the present Vicar. The instruction of the Boys' School is being steadily and diligently carried on, and on the whole it reaches a fairly intelligent level. The following are points to bear in view. Slates should be used as rarely as possible and short pencils never. In the class-teaching of English and Geography intelligent answers in complete sentences should be encouraged and practised. In Elementary Science it would be better to divide the school into two divisions Arithmetic on the other hand neat and good. Drawing has improved all round, and writing and are each good. The songs are well rendered, and the notes are good as far as they go. The discipline may be marked good. Average attendance 46.

Girls’ School—“Making special allowance for sickness, and for the unavoidable absence of the Mistress during part of the year, satisfactory progress has been made in the Girls’ School. The methods are good and a good level of attainments generally is reached. The discipline of the Girls’ School is in a very pleasing condition. A further supply of Geography books is desirable. Average attendance 43.”

Infants’ School—“There is a marked improvement in the discipline this year. All the elementary work is making good progress. Object lessons are fairly intelligent, and the KINDERGARTEN occupations are methodically taught. Drill and Needlework are each excellent. The songs are good but the notes are rather uncertain. Average attendance 32.”

Bere Heath School.

"The work of this small school is going on steadily and well. The discipline is good and the results of the instruction show progress. Reading is carefully taught. Handwriting is much improved in roundness and neatness. Spelling is making good progress, except in the 2nd standard. Arithmetic is fairly neat and accurate but Notation is not a strong point in the youngest class. The other branches are going on well, but they should now be adapted to one of the new schemes. A full syllabus for the year should be made out before May. Average attendance 26.”

Bere Regis Evening School.

There is a good attendance at the Evening Continuation School. A careful course of instruction has been provided in Geography, Mensuration, and Arithmetic, and in Freehand and Scale Drawing. The behaviour of the scholars is good and the class has generally been a success. Average attendance 22 8.

CHOIR OUTING.

This Annual Outing was held on Wednesday, June the 12th, when the members of the Choir drove down to Lulworth Cove, starting at 8-30 a.m. Unfortunately the weather was cold and rainy, not rainy enough however to damp the spirits of the party who all enjoyed themselves. It was proposed to go by Steamer to Weymouth, but owing to bad weather the steamer abandoned the trip so we had to stay on shore. A cricket match was attempted but the wind made accuracy of play impossible. Some of the bolder spirits among the boys had a bate. Dinner was eaten picnic-fashion on the cliffs, and tea in a tent in the Cove Hotel garden. A start was made at 7 for home which was reached at 9-30 p.m.

EXHIBITION AND SALE OF WORK.

A very successful meeting was held in the Vicarage garden from 4 to 8 on the afternoon of June 18th. The chief things exhibited were Clothes for Missionary Schools and various other Articles made at the Monthly Missionary Meetings, dolls dressed by the girls and baskets and rugs made by the boys of the Band of Hope. Deducting some of the cost of materials the sale realized £1 15s. and Tea provided by numerous kind friends brought in £1 6s. 2d. The charge made was 2d. a head for adults and 1d. a head for children. Band of Hope members who had paid 1s. had tea free.
The elder girl members helped to serve the tea for the adults. There were about 125 children and 95 adults present.

There were more than 2 dozen baskets and the boys of the Band of Hope owe much to the kindness of Mr. Vincent who gave instruction in basket-making, free.

The few things left over may still find purchasers, and the account will not be closed till August.

During the afternoon two excellent Missionary addresses, one for children and the other for adults, were given by the Rev. H. A. Caryl, of Stratton, near Dorchester.

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SCHOOL REPORTS.

We can only echo the Vicar’s words with regard to the teaching here. In the Evening Continuation School it is only fair to say that the Inspector judged of the good result of the lessons in Hygiene by the excellent papers done by many boys on the subject, and the teacher takes this opportunity of thanking them for their attention to the work.

DAY SCHOOL.—Average attendance 71.

An excellent feature of the School is the high classification and the good proportion of Scholars in the 10th Standard and upwards. A good beginning has been made under the New Scheme of Instruction, and generally good progress is being made. Freehand Drawing is open to some improvement. The Discipline is very well maintained. The Infants are on the whole doing well.

EVENING CONTINUATION SCHOOL.—Average attendance 21.

This is a pleasant Evening Class as the boys attend so regularly, and are very attentive and industrious. The commercial subjects have been extremely well taught, and the lessons are interesting and instructive. The class is fortunate in having the Rev. W. A. Newman to give them practical lessons in Hygiene, which have been attended with the best results.

BAPTISM.—June 16th, Lily May, daughter of William James and Florence Adelaide Andrews.

BURIAL.—June 13th, Mary Emmeline Arnold, aged 30 years.