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Dorchester:
SUNDAY SERVICES.

Bere Regis.

Church Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Holy Communion, December 7th, at 11 a.m.
Christmas-Day (December 25th), 7-30, 8-30 a.m., and midday.
There will be Service on the Thursdays in Advent, December 4, 11, 18, at 7 p.m., with Addresses on—The Power of GOD.
The Glory of GOD.
The Goodness of GOD.

On Christmas-Day there will be Services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Those who have been Confirmed of late years are specially invited to attend a Service in Church on the afternoon of Sunday, December 21st, at 3-30 p.m.

THE ADVENT CALL once again sounds in our ears—"Prepare to meet thy GOD." "Hark a thrilling voice is sounding, Christ is nigh it seems to say."

It is in love and mercy that we are thus year after year summoned from the sleep of sin and worldliness to recollect the claims of God and righteousness and truth.

It is not only for the sake of the life after death that we are to "think on these things;", there is no security for happiness and satisfaction and hope here and now but in a life of religion and a life of service.

On these grounds we beg you to observe the Advent Season, and to keep the Feast of Christmas, not only with social pleasures, but with spiritual service.

The ANNUAL MEETING of the British and Foreign Bible Society was held in the Hall on Friday, November 21st, the Vicar in the Chair. Addresses were given by the Chairman, the Rev. J. Blackburn, and the Rev. T. Smetham. The latter gave a most interesting account of the way the Word of God penetrates often by the most unexpected openings into remote parts of China and elsewhere.

JUMBLE SALE.

The Jumble Sale was successfully held on October 31st. So attractive were the articles provided at the Stalls, that almost everything was sold in a couple of hours, and we have the satisfactory result of £16 to add to the Organ Fund, which, including a donation of £5, most kindly sent by Mrs. Roddett, now amounts to £56.

We congratulate Mr. Newman and his friends at Kingston on the result of their Jumble Sale also, particulars of which are found on another page.

S. P. G.

A Lecture on the work of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel will be given in the Hall, on Friday, December 17, at 7-30 p.m., by the Rev. F. E. Fox, who has worked in New South Wales.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The next Work-Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 4th, from 2 to 4 p.m. Last month we sent to the head-office in London, 11 suits of native clothing (made at the meetings), which have been sent on to the School at Ahmednagar, in the Bombay Presidency, where large numbers of garments are constantly needed.

FLOWER SHOW.

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10/- (4) Rev. O. P. Cambridge, Mr. Lane, Hon. H. Sturt, M.P., Messrs. Wainwright and Heard ... ... 2 0 0
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BAPTISMS.—Oct. 12, Bertie, child of George and Mary Pople.
Elise Jane, child of James and Jane Croker.
Nov. 2, Beatrice Jane, child of J. T. and A. M. Kellaway.

MARRIAGE.—Nov. 27, William Henry Longdon and Jane Sargant.

BURIALS.—Nov. 11, Arabella Swyer Miller, aged 82 years.
24, Bessie Charlotte Hewitt, aged 27 years.
KINGSTON.

CHURCH SERVICES.
Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Children's Service, 2-30 p.m.

HOLY COMMUNION:
December 7th, at midday.

On Christmas-Day there will be Services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., and Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 8-30 a.m. and midday.

During Advent there will be Services on Thursday evenings, at 7 o'clock.

JUMBLE SALE.

A very successful sale was held in the Schoolroom on Friday, November 21st. The sum taken was £15 10/- and in addition to this Mrs. Clarke of Poole, and Mr. Marshall of Blandford, kindly sent donations of 5/- With the money raised it is intended to assist the Reading Room and Coal Club, and buy new Matting for the Church. Our thanks are due to all those who helped with contributions, and assisted at the stalls.

READING ROOM.

It is satisfactory to be able to report that the number of members has increased to 28, and that the Committee are working hard to make the room a success, by seeing that the Rules are kept.

BOYS’ ALLOTMENTS.

The boys and their instructor, Mr. Berry, are to be most heartily congratulated on the success of their work during the past year. They head the list for the county of Dorset with an average of 120 marks a plot, and have obtained 5 Second and 2 Third-Class Certificates for 8 plots. Gilbert Miller, the head boy, is unfortunate in missing a First-Class by only one mark. That Kingston should have done so well in a most trying season for gardening reflects all the more credit on boys and instructor alike.

The list of Marks, Certificates, and Prizes is given below:

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AN OLD REGISTER.

The old Burial Register which has been in use since January, 1813, has just been finished. Between January 1st, 1813, and November 8th, 1902, there have been 800 burials in Kingston Churchyard.

The greatest number in any year was in 1822, when there were 24 burials. The smallest number was in 1820, when there were only 2.

Out of these 800 people, only 8 reached 90 years or over, the greatest age being that of Susan Dove, who died in 1883, aged 97.

During the time the register has been in use, 64 different clergy have officiated at funerals.

BURIAL.—November 8th, William Pitman, aged 90 years.