Bere Regis

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Winterborne Kingston

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SEPTEMBER, 1902.

Dorchester:

CHURCH SERVICES.

BERE REGIS.

Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Holy Communion, September 7, midday.

" " 21 & 28, at 8 a.m.

September 21—S. Matthew.
" 25—Harvest Thanksgiving.
" 29—S. Michael and All Angels.

CORONATION FESTIVITIES.

The postponed celebration of the Coronation was held on Thursday, August 14th. In the wettest August weather experienced for many a year, fears were naturally entertained as to how far outward conditions would be favourable. The threatening clouds during the morning caused much anxiety as to the probable success of the proceedings; happily, with the exception of two sharp showers, the skies smiled on us and the evening was beautifully fine. A procession was formed at 2 o'clock at the cross, which traversed the village, and at about 2.45 reached the Church, where a good congregation assembled. The Coronation Service was read, appropriate hymns, including the National Anthem, were sung, and an address was given by the Vicar, who called special attention to the almost miraculous recovery of the King within a month after his severe operation; a recovery surely to be associated with the united prayers of the nation. Now indeed we could offer our sincere thanksgivings as for the restoration of peace, so also for the wonderful restoration to the nation of their Sovereign. After the Service, adjournment was made to the field kindly lent by Mr. G. Lys. Nearly 650 persons, including 220 children, sat down to tea, provided by Mr. Welsh, in a large tent, and the remainder of the evening was spent in varied recreations. At an exhibition of decorated perambulators and bicycles, the 1st prize in the former was gained by Mrs. Day, the 2nd by Mrs. Hiram House; in the bicycles, 1st prize, Winnie Besent; 2nd prize, Winnie Grace: highly commended, Fred Johnson. Prizes were also given for various sports for the adults and children: long jump, high jump, various foot races, or three-legged race, egg and spoon race, donkey race, French and English, and the like. Great credit is due to Mr Bugby (the sec.), and to Rev. W. A. Newman for organising this part of the proceedings, and to Mr. J. Brierley for his management of the starts. When the natural light failed the field was brilliantly illuminated by a splendid show of fireworks, provided and exhibited by Mr. G. Hibbs, and as a finale the National Anthem was sung by the boys and others on the Church tower, from whence a fine display of Bengal fires lit up the whole village.

THE FLOWER SHOW.

On Thursday, August 21st, the show was held in very propitious weather in Court Green, by kind permission of Mr. D. Cobb. Considering the prevalence of cold and rain during the greater part of the summer, the exhibits were wonderfully good, though there were rather fewer entries than usual. The whole appearance of the tent was very gay and pretty, and well repaid the exertions of Mr. Hibbs, C. Kellaway, and other members of the Committee, who gave many hours of work to the preparations. The Secretaries, Messrs. Jenkins and Bugby, also deserve our warm thanks for their indefatigable labours which largely contributed to the success of the Show. The hot-house plants lent by Mr. Radclyffe, of Hyde, formed a welcome addition to the brightness of the exhibition, but, as might be expected from the bad season, the local exhibits were hardly up to the level of former years.

The judges who again acted in the Horticultural classes were Mr. Powell, head gardener at Isington House, and Mr. Prosser, head gardener at Moreton House, and the industrial exhibits were judged by Mrs. Pickard Cambridge and Hon. Mrs. Chapman.

There were but few exhibits of wood carving, but the table, which took the first prize, carved by Mr. E. Battrick, was deservedly much admired.

The band from Whitechurch gave full satisfaction, and the dancing continued merrily all the evening. The last hour was further enlivened by the fire-works, let off by Mr. Hibbs, which had been reserved from the Coronation fête.

The gate money was satisfactory, being over £10, and it is expected that the Show will almost clear expenses, thus leaving in hand some of the balance from last year. The prizes were distributed on Tuesday, September 2nd, of which a list will appear in the next magazine.

The subscriptions this year we fear have fallen short of our needs. We hope we may shortly receive the contributions of those who hitherto have not replied to the Secretaries' application.

WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S MISSIONARY WORK.

On Wednesday, September 10th, a meeting will be held in the Vicarage garden, when the work done during the past year will be sold for the benefit of the Missionary funds, and addresses will be given by Miss Slim, late Missionary in Madagascar. The chief part of the Sale has been undertaken by several of the girls of the parish, and there is also the work done by the Band of Hope and the members of the Missionary work-meetings. It is hoped that all these united efforts will bring a good result, and that many friends in the parish will manage to attend the meeting, of which notices will be distributed in the village.

CHOIR TREAT.

Again in this month of rain we were favoured, as for other village gatherings, with fine weather. The treat took place on August 26th. At 8.30 a.m. a party of 30 filled a well-horsed char-a-banc, supplied by Mr. T. Hammond, of Blandford, and reached Bournemouth soon after 11. The place in the bright sunshine looked as beautiful as ever, but, oh, the crowds! You would have thought that half Birmingham had been let loose upon the sands, and rejoice as one may that such should be enabled to enjoy the sweet soft air of the Hampshire coast, we should have been glad of a little more elbow room. However, we must not be selfish; there was room for our Choir as for others; while
the younger members picnicked on the sands, an excellent dinner was provided for the adults at the Tregonwell Arms Hotel, and later, thanks to the generosity of Mr. Hibbs, all who would had the opportunity of a lovely trip across the bay to Swanage. We found ourselves in distinguished company, the Member for North Dorset being one of the party. So unruffled were the waters that nobody was tempted to seek the side of the boat save for the purpose of watching some steamer or picturesque sailing boat, or to trace the familiar forms of Woodbury and Black Hills in the hazy distance, or the still further off mass of Nettlescombe Tout. All met for tea at the hotel at 6 o'clock, and the return journey was successfully accomplished by 9-45 p.m. Thanks to the propitious skies a day of great enjoyment was spent by the whole party.

Harvest Thanksgiving.
The Thanksgiving Service will be held on September 25th, when the sermon will be preached by the Rev. W. Farrer.

Errata.—In the July number a whole line seems to have slipped out in the list of Subscriptions to the Kingston School. Instead of "Mr. Little £1 0 0," read "Mr. Little £1 194, Rev. O. P. Cambridge £1 0 0." In the August number, in the subscriptions for Coronation Celebration, the aggregate of the 3/6 subscriptions should be 13/6. Mr. J. Gregory is wrongly given as Mr. Chamberlaynes. Miss Dobson's name, which occurs twice in the 2/6 group, should in one case be 'Mrs. Gard.'

Baptism.—Olive Nina Sybil, child of Shadrach and Olive Mintern.
Burial.—Sarah Joiner, aged 83.

Kingston.
Sunday Services:
11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Children’s Service, 2-30 p.m.
Holy Communion:
Sept. 7th, at midday.
21st (S. Matthew's Day), at 8 a.m.
The date of the Harvest Festival is not yet fixed.

The Coronation.
The postponed festivities were held on Coronation-Day, August 9th, which, luckily, was fine. The bells were rung early in the morning and during the day. Service was held at 1-30 and was very well attended, considering that the day was not kept as a general holiday. Immediately after service, sports were held in one of Mr. Stacey's fields which he kindly threw open for the occasion. A race course had been marked off and roped in and all the sports were well contested. The adults received money and the children presents, as prizes. The tug of war excited a great deal of interest. The teams were—"married," (captained by Mr. Hawkins), "single," (captained by Mr. Tuck); the married proved the victors amid a scene of great excitement. Our thanks are due to Mr. Brierly for acting as a most efficient starter.

At 4-30 the school children were given a tea on the ground. They all arrived armed with Coronation mugs, the gift of the Hon. Mrs. Sotheby.
Dancing commenced about 7 o'clock and was kept up with great vigour until 10 p.m., when "God Save the King" and "Auld Lang Syne," and hearty cheers brought a very enjoyable day to a close.

The Whitechurch Band gave every satisfaction, playing at intervals during the afternoon and incessantly throughout the evening.

Appended are the list of sports and prize winners, and the balance-sheet.
It will be seen that a balance of £2 remains in hand, which will be devoted to some object for the benefit of the parish.

Adult Sports.
100 yards (hurdles)—Tuck, E. Hookey, J. Symes.
   (flat)—Tuck and E. Hookey, dead heat, Andrews.
50 yards sack race—Budden, J. Vincent, Andrews.
Needle-and-thread race (girls)—F. Wellstead, B. Symes,
      A. Ricketts.
100 yards wheelbarrow race—Andrews, E. Hookey, W. Hawkins
50 yards slow bicycle—J. Henville, Andrews, Tuck.
100 yards flat race (open)—P. Kent, Lockyer, E. Hookey.
50 yards flat race (men over 40)—J. White, Whalley.
Throwing the cricket ball—Tuck, J. Wellstead, S. Wellstead.
High jump—J. Symes, Tuck, W. Kent.
Broad jump (standing)—W. Way, J. Symes.
100 yards flat (under 18)—W. Kent, C. Ballam, H. Symes.
Egg and spoon race (women)—K. Ricketts, M. Ricketts,
      F. Wellstead.
Tug of war (10 a-side)—won by the "married."

Children's Sports.
50 yards 3-legged race—{ J. Miller } Ford
      { Sansom } Vincent
Egg and spoon race (girls)—Ballam, Arnold, Ballam.
Needle and thread race—(winners names lost.)
30 yards boys (infants) do.
50 yards boys (over 12)—Ricketts, Miller.
Obstacle race—Ricketts, J. Miller, B. White.
Baby show (for children under 18 months)—
   1st prize—Mrs. Hawkins's baby, North-st.
### BALANCE SHEET.

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- Mrs. Drax
- Mr. A. Radcliffe
- Mrs. G. Keynes, Mr. G. Kent
- Rev. W. A. Newman, Messrs. W. R. Little, O. S. Little, F. Burgess, Mrs. Little
- Messrs. Marston and Tuck
- Messrs. Hames, J. E. Berry, Hon. H. Sturt, M.P.
- Mr. James Henville
- Mr. D. Warren
- Messrs. W. Wellstead and Kellaway
- "Three Travellers," J. Panchin
- Other sums 5/- and under, since returned
- Sale of Meat

**Total** | £ | 41 | 19 | 6 |

**Expenditure.**

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- Subscriptions returned
- Appliance, for meat
- Bailey, do.
- children’s tea, 75 at 6d.
- band’s tea and supper, 14 at 1/-
- flags
- Sports (adults)
- Children’s prizes
- Band
- Ringers
- Cleaning school
- Stamps and telegrams
- Balance in hand

**Total** | £ | 41 | 19 | 6 |

In addition to her other contribution Mrs. G. Keynes very kindly gave 2/6 each to 24 old people in memory of the Coronation, and also went to Bournemouth and chose the prizes for the children.

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**Baptism—August 10th, Ethel Rosa, daughter of Joseph and Bessie Symes.**