Bere Regis

and

Winterborne Kingston

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Dorchester:

**SUNDAY SERVICES.**

BERE REGIS.

Sunday Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Holy Communion —

August 7th, at midday.

... 21st, at 8 a.m.


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**MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION (S.P.G.)**

On Wednesday, Aug. 17th, a Meeting will be held at the Vicarage (in the garden if weather permits), at which Addresses will be given by the Honble. Lady Philipps, who kindly comes from Salisbury for the occasion. The toys, &c., made at the Band of Hope, will be on view, for sale Mrs. Sotheby hopes that the friends who kindly sent supplies for the tea on former occasions, will again help her to provide it.

Other "King's Messengers" of the parish, not in the Band of Hope, have also been preparing work for a small sale, which, with the permission of the Committee, will be held in connection with the Flower Show on August 25.

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**SCHOOL REPORT.**

*Bere Regis Girls.*—"Although the new Head-Teacher has made an improvement in the work of the School, much of the work is still below the average, and it is hoped that next year a higher standard of attainments will be reached. The attention of the authorities is called to the great irregularity of attendance."

*Infants' Class.*—"The Infants' Class is in a fair state of efficiency. Progress would be more pronounced if an effort were made to improve the methods in use. This point has been mentioned in the last two Reports."

The Schools were closed for the Summer Holidays on July 29th.

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**CRICKET CLUB.**

A very successful Cricket Club has been started, chiefly owing to the energy of Captain Palmes. The field which is used is handy for the village, but the pitch is not too good. There are at present, including the Doddings' Club, about 40 members. Several matches have been played, and the club is giving great pleasure to players and onlookers.

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**THE CLUB FEAST DAY.**

Wednesday, July 13, will be long remembered in the village as the day of a very successful demonstration of the Benefit Clubs. It appears that the clubs take it in turn to act as host; and, on this occasion, the Garibaldi Lodge of Oddfellows invited the Court Progress of the Foresters to be their guests. Flags of all sorts and sizes were hung from windows, from trees, across the streets, in addition to the beautiful flag which waved on the Church tower. The weather was glorious; very hot, but not so scorching as on the earlier, and later days of the week; and everyone looked prepared for enjoyment.

The two clubs began the day by marching in procession round the village. One of the banners of the Oddfellows came first, followed by the brass band from Whitechurch. Then came the Foresters as the guests of the day. These were led by Mr. Miller, mounted on his mottled-grey horse Topsy; and Mr. Lucas on the piebald pony called Popoff; each steed being adorned with garlands of flowers, and looking very proud indeed. Behind them came a car decorated with evergreens, and carrying a lamb, and a dog, led by Mr. Levi Standfield. The other members of the club followed, marching two abreast, and wearing scarves.

Then came a second banner leading the procession of the Oddfellows, who also wore scarves, and who carried the emblems of their club. Counting both clubs, between 80 and 100 walked in procession; and they were greeted with cheers in every street.

At about 11-45 a.m. the Church was reached. The nave was well filled with club-men and others; and the side aisles accommodated many more people. The Service—shortened matins—was said by Mr. Newman; the psalm for the day—the 138th—being singularly appropriate. The lesson, Isaiah lv. 17—25, was read by Mr. Ball, who also preached a sermon on Unity. The great heartiness of the singing was very noticeable.

A cold dinner was provided by Mr. Kellaway in a large marquee, erected in the field of Court Green Farm; and 162 men were present at it. The food was well cooked, and well served; and everyone appeared to enjoy the meal which they certainly had earned.

Captain Palmes made a most able and popular chairman, and he was well supported at the high table. The usual loyal, patriotic, and local toasts were most heartily received. Mr. Lane, of Bloxworth House, proposed the Navy, the Army, and Auxiliary Forces; Mr. Ball and Mr. Blackburn responded for the Church of England, and the other denominations. Mr. Ball, in his speech, regretted the Vicar’s absence, and advocated the formation of Juvenile branches to the clubs. Mr. Blackburn, as he always does, amused the company very much with his remarks. The two Secretaries, Mr. Bullen and Mr. Miller, responded for their clubs: Mr. Newman responded for the local trades; Mr. Lindner, Mr. Tozer, and Mr. Beckham also spoke; and the last toast, the health of Captain and Mrs. Palmes, was drunk standing, and with many cheers.

At three o’clock the Sports were begun. There was a long programme, and those who undertook the management must have been thoroughly tired out before the end, for they worked very hard and very successfully. The field got very full not only of Bere people but of strangers from the neighbourhood. There were swings, booths, punting—all the usual accompaniments of such a day—and when the sports were ended at about 8 o’clock, outdoor dancing began to the music of the band, and was kept up till about 10 o’clock, when this very memorable day ended.

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**FLOWER SHOW.**

The Flower Show is to be held on Thursday, August 25th. We hope for more favourable weather than we had last year.
KINGSTON.

CHURCH SERVICES.
Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Children’s Service, 2-30.
Holy Communion:
August 7th and 21st, at midday.

THE SCHOOL.
Work has recommenced, after a four weeks close, owing to the measles. There have been over 60 cases in the parish, but fortunately very few of them were serious.
The School report has just come to hand. It is most satisfactory to receive such a good report for the first under the new Education Act, and the Teachers deserve the greatest credit for it.

Report—"This well-managed Mixed School is doing excellent work in every respect. The children are trained to think and to express themselves properly. The Infant Class would show better results if more attention were paid to the methods of teaching Reading and Number."

CHOIR AND SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTING.
The members of the Choir and the elder children in the Sunday School spent Saturday, July 23rd, at Weymouth. As usual we drove to Dorchester, leaving home at 7, and got back again about 9-30. There were two or three storms during the day, but they were not heavy enough to damp the spirits of the party, who all enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Our thanks are due to all those who subscribed towards the outing.
The younger members of the Sunday School will be taken to Swanage in a few weeks time.

JUMBLE SALE.
A Sale has become a necessary institution for raising funds for the Coal Club and other parish needs. In fact it is almost certain that if we did not have a sale the Coal Club would have to cease or be very much reduced in numbers.
There are 52 members this year, and it requires a considerable addition to their payments to give them any real benefit from subscribing.
There seems no better way of getting this money together than by having a Jumble Sale, for it benefits the club and the buyers of the goods at the same time. This is the object in having these sales. We try to avoid putting any rubbish in, and let good things go at a low price, so as to benefit the purchasers.