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Winterborne Kingston

Parish Magazine.

FEBRUARY, 1904.

Dorchester:

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Bere Regis.

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

Holy Communion:

February 7, midday.

Feb. 2, Feast of the Purification.

Feb. 17, Ash-Wednesday—Services, 11-30 a.m. and 7-30 p.m.

24, St. Matthias.

Confirmation 3 p.m.

by the Bishop of Salisbury.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES.

Boys—Sundays, 2-30 p.m.

Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Girls—Fridays, 6 p.m.

Lent.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 16th. We shall hope to have the usual Services on Thursday evenings at 7-30. The ancient custom of observing Lent is a great help to the religious life. We all need a time of self-recollection and self-discipline. Of course we ought to deny ourselves and take up our cross at all seasons, and he who does not practise self-denial does not deserve the name of Christian. But human nature is such that special times and seasons are needed, and those lose much who let this Lenten Season pass by unheeded. It is a special opportunity for giving to some religious or charitable object, and for praying for others. Particularly we ask your prayers for those who are Candidates for the forthcoming Confirmation.

Rural Dean.

The readers of the Magazine may be interested to hear that the Bishop of Salisbury has conferred the office of Rural Dean on the Rev. W. E. H. Sotheby, in succession to Rev. F. Freeman, who has resigned.

MISSIONARY WORK MEETING.

This Meeting will be held in the Hall on Thursday, February 11, at two o’clock.

"Benefit Nursing Association."

On Jan. 7th, when Mrs. Hobhouse gave an excellent Address on this subject, the weather was unfortunately most unpromising, rain pouring all the day; it was a testimony to the real interest taken in the question that over 30 people were present, several coming from Affpuddle by the kind arrangement of Mrs. Shirley. Mrs. Hobhouse explained the working of the system (of which she has had large experience for many years in country districts), and especially pointed out that it rested, like a Benefit Club, on a basis of "mutual help." To provide for the salary of the Nurse (or Nurses), subscriptions were asked from all, rich and poor according to their means, as the benefit was for the whole community. An annual sum being thus secured by many joining together, the fees charged to all subscribers when requiring the Nurse, would be proportionally low. The address was followed by a very helpful discussion, Mrs. Hobhouse replying to questions on various points. The result was very satisfactory; many gave in their names as subscribers, and all present supported the Resolution that "A Branch of the Benefit Nursing Association be started at Bere Regis." This step had practically been already taken, as appeared in the notice given in our January Magazine. Nurse Duke has been trained and engaged on the understanding that she will work under a committee who pay her a fixed salary: she will attend no cases gratuitously, but the fees charged are graduated according to the circumstances of the patient, a considerable reduction being made to subscribers, the subscriptions varying from 2/- to 10/-. A leaflet stating the Rules under which Nurse Duke will work, is being printed for distribution throughout the parish.—F.S.

SCHOOL TREATS, &C.

A Tea was given to the Sunday School Children on Wednesday, December 30th, after which Prizes were distributed for regular attendance and good conduct. Most of the Prizes consisted of books granted by the S.P.C.K. to the Vicar, and thus cost the school nothing.

On January 6, the Children of the parish numbering about 160, sat down to an excellent tea provided by the kindness of Captain Palms, and later were entertained by a conjuror. The same conjuror with the help of a comic singer, gave a performance in the evening at a smoking concert, to which the men of the parish were invited. At the conclusion hearty thanks and cheers were given to Captain and Mrs. Palms for their generous hospitality.

Ringers' Fund, 1903.

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BAPTISM.—January 16, Morgaret Joan, daughter of George and Nora Lys.

KINGSTON.

CHURCH SERVICES.
Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Children's Service, 2-30 p.m.
Holy Communion:
February 7th and 14th, at midday.
Ash-Wednesday:
February 17th, Services at 11 a.m.
and 6-30 p.m.

LENT SERVICES.

As the Afternoon Services during Advent were so well attended, there will be an Afternoon Service on Thursdays during Lent, at 3 o'clock.

CONFIRMATION.

The Bishop of the Diocese will hold a Confirmation in Bere Regis Church on Tuesday, February 24th.
Classes are being held at the Parsonage—for Girls at 3 o'clock and Boys at 6-45, on Thursdays.

MINSTREL ENTERTAINMENT.

The Bere Regis Troupe have kindly promised to give an Entertainment in the Schoolroom, at 7-30 p.m. on Friday, February 5th. The money obtained will be given to the Reading Room. Seats, 1/- and 6d. Children attending the Day School, half-price.

Jan. 17th, Mary Louisa, daughter of Edward and Edith Toms.
Jan. 24th, George Edward, son of Edwin and Mary Vincent.

MARRIAGE.—Nov. 30th, Harry Symes to Ethel Madonna Mayor.

" 19th, Alice Maria Ballam, 59 years.