Bere Regis
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Dorchester:
BERE REGIS.

TO THE PARISHIONERS OF BERIE AND KINGSTON.

Mr. Newman tells me that he can find room in this number of the Magazine for a few lines from me. I therefore write to introduce my wife and myself to my new parishioners: we are both looking forward to our new work very much indeed.

The change from suburban East London to Bere will be great, and it will take no doubt a little time to acclimatise ourselves to such totally new surroundings. The Country and East London are unlike each other, and so are the populations that live in them, and consequently a man who has had no experience of clerical work in a country village is likely to make mistakes and to do and say things which may not be altogether suitable or wise, when he finds himself in a totally unaccustomed sphere of work. I therefore ask for Christian toleration, and beg my new parishioners to pardon mistakes and shortcomings if they find that I work hard and try to do my duty. After all the only people who seem never to make a mistake are the people that never do anything.

I am sorry that my private means do not make it possible for me to find the stipend of an assistant priest and resident at Kingston. Instead of a clerical assistant I shall have the help of Mr. F. Mellor, a lay reader who has been with me here some few weeks. Mr. Mellor has been resident for a year at the Stepney Training College, and so is not to be considered as an amateur: that College has trained scores of men, who are doing in different parts of England the same kind of work that Mr. Mellor will do at Bere. Mr. Sotheby is most generously giving £25 a year for five years towards his stipend.

I am printing a List of the Services which I propose to hold in the two Churches on Sundays during November. The services are not I fancy exactly at the customary hours, but they have been arranged after correspondence with Mr. Newman, to whom I am most indebted for information and advice on many points. Mr. Mellor will not come to Bere until December and then some readjustment may be possible. I am sorry to inconvenience any Churchgoers by fixing possibly inconvenient hours, but as a fact people who are really keen about attending divine worship will manage it somehow.

There will be two Communion Services at Bere on my first Sunday, and one at Kingston on my second Sunday. I trust that all communicants will attend one of the services with the special intention of offering their prayers for a blessing on the work of the Church under a new Vicar.

I am,

Yours very faithfully,

MONTAGU A. BERIE.

LIST OF SUNDAY SERVICES DURING NOVEMBER.

BERE.

Nov. 5.—8.0 Holy Communion.

11-30 Holy Communion.

6.0 Evensong.

,, 12.—11-30 Mattins and Litany.

6.0 Evensong.

,, 19 and 26—

8.0 Holy Communion.

11-30 Mattins and Litany.

6.0 Evensong.

KINGSTON.

Nov. 5, 19, 26.—

2.30 Children’s Service.

3.30 Evensong.

,, 12.—10.15 Holy Communion

with Sermon.

2.30 Children’s Service.

3.30 Evensong.

THE CHURCH.

The Kneelers for the Altar and Altar Rails which were commenced
by Mrs. Sotheby’s working party have been finished, and are a great addition to the Church. Mrs. Janes and Miss Clee very kindly lined them.

RECREATION GROUND.

Good progress is being made with the field at Town end, the hedge having already been rooted out. It will be of great benefit to the parish to have a field for games, and our best thanks are due to Captain Palmes to whose initiative the acquisition of a Recreation Ground is due.

RIFLE CLUB.

Subscriptions have been coming in well, and Captain Palmes hopes to start the Club on November 11th.

VILLAGE LIGHTING.

Through an oversight Mr. Lindner’s subscription of 10/- was omitted from the list of subscriptions to the Village Lighting for last winter.

BURIALS.—August 3rd, Philip Ames, aged 38 years.

September 20th, Maria Phillips, aged 69 years.
MARRIAGES—Sept. 11th, John Henry Jewell to Charity Amelia Davis.

" " George Henry Bartlett to Jane Hewitt.

KINGSTON.

The Sunday Services for November will be found under the Bere Regis News. It is hoped that the temporary alteration of the service from 6 to 3-30 p.m., will not cause much inconvenience.

Mrs. Stacey has very kindly undertaken to be responsible for the morning Sunday School during November.

I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my deep gratitude to her for all she has done for me in this and other parish matters during the last 6 years, and also to thank Miss E. Miller, Miss B. Guy, and Miss Maiden, very heartily, for all their help in Sunday School work during the time I have been here. It requires considerable sacrifice, or those who work all the week to give up a good portion of their spare time on Sundays, as my teachers have done, and I am glad to be able to make this public acknowledgment of the debt I owe them.

W. A. NEWMAN.

JUMBLE SALE.

In order to pay off the deficit on the Coal and Boot Clubs a Jumble Sale was held in the Reading Room on Monday, October 23rd. The sum of £7 1s. 7d. was realized. Our best thanks are due to all those who so kindly helped to arrange the goods and sell them.

BAPTISM.—October 15th, Dorothea Mary, daughter of Charles and Sabina Ricketts.

BURIALS.—October 6th, Maria Sherren, aged 76 years.

" 21st, Arthur Douglas Symes, aged 21 months.