

August 1951



THE two outstanding events during the past month were the Church Fête and the Sunday School outing. July kept up its usual reputation as far as weather was concerned and following a doubtful morning rain came later and everything was literally washed out. In spite of this, however, a great deal of preliminary work brought its reward and the final financial result after paying expenses amounted to £52-0-0.

We are very grateful for the generosity of so many who contributed towards the stalls and the many willing helpers. One of the values of events of this kind is the friendliness which in our case is always outstanding.

The following are the main items—

Gate, £2-7-0, Miss Percy, Mrs. A. James and Mr. Smith.
Produce stall, £6-11-3, Mrs. Deakin and Mrs. Day, Rye Hill.
Household stall, £8-0-0, Mrs. Kellaway, Miss Sheppard, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Minterne, Miss Goldie.
New stall, £7-18-6, Mrs. Bedford, Mrs. Wyatt.
Jumble, £3-7-0, Mrs. J. Applin, Mrs. A. Barnes.
Sweets, etc., £5-10-0, Miss Smith, Miss G. Miller.
Ices, £2-17-0, Mrs. J. Toop, Mrs. T. Toop.
Teas, £3-16-2, Mrs. Herring, Mrs. Bert Hewitt, Mrs. Drew, Mrs. L. Joyce, Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Poore, Mrs. E. Hewitt, Mrs. J. Hewitt.

The following helped with competitions which brought in £16-1-6: Mrs. Eric Snook, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Broadfoot, Mrs. Towse, Miss Eileen Henson, Mrs. Barnes (Sitterton), Mrs. Woolfries, Mrs. Cleall, Miss E. Bowditch, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Strang, Mrs. Gardner, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Minterne, Mrs. Lys, Mrs. Howe.

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THE Children's Service has been discontinued during August but will be resumed on the 1st Sunday in September when any newcomers will be welcome. May we urge all parents to realise the responsibility of seeing that their children have religious instruction both at home and in church. And how greatly they can be encouraged and helped by parents bringing their children to the usual Sunday service. There is no doubt that the neglect of Sunday as a day of rest and worship will result in a most serious decay in our national life and the training of the young is of such vital importance to their future.

THE Sunday School outing was again to Weymouth. The weather in the early morning could not have been worse but from the moment we started until we arrived home late in the evening we had a cloudless day. Together with parents of some of the very small children we were a party of nearly 120 and filled three coaches to capacity. Weymouth can supply all tastes in the way of enjoyment and consequently the party separated until tea—which unfortunately was not up to the standard of previous years. Children know a good tea when then they see it—and when they don't. Everyone agreed that the day was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed.