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AS we all know so well the Garden Party which was to have been held in the Vicarage Garden was literally a wash-out. Heavy and persistent rain made a transfer to the W.I. Hut essential. This of course was very disappointing, as it meant a considerably reduced attendance. But those who came realised how much good work had been done in preparation and in spite of the weather everyone seemed happy and the financial result was very gratifying.

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AT last scaffolding has been removed from S. Nicholas Tower and although the greater part of the completed work is not visible the Tower now appears capable of withstanding many more centuries of wind and weather. The cost so far has exceeded original estimates which of course had to be approximate, and a good deal more money must be forthcoming before we are clear of debt. Brigadier Lipscomb always takes pleasure in acknowledging gifts and there must be many who would like to give him further pleasure. The way to do this is obvious and really quite easy.

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THE date of the Parish Church Sunday School outing is still in the future as these notes are written but it may not be out of place to say that strictly speaking it is not a Sunday School. The children meet each Sunday at 2.30 in church where they have a service suited as far as possible to the varied ages. A certain number of mothers also come and of course are very welcome. The attendance has always been remarkably good since this service started over 20 years ago and we do ask parents to give their support by seeing that children attend with regularity. A number of the older children will be presented for Confirmation this year. The Lord Bishop has altered the date to December 15th and parents, and particularly godparents, are reminded of their promise to 'see that this child be brought to the Bishop to be Confirmed by him'. This is the godparent's promise made at Holy Baptism and is therefore a very solemn one.

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HERE we must make reference to Mr. Whiteside's departure after 30 years spent in the education of the young. During these years many hundreds of children have had the benefit of his teaching ability and his general guidance towards their later life. During the greater part of this time Mr. Whiteside has been head teacher, and he saw the transition of our school to the County Authority. It had previously been a Church School. The old buildings were decayed and a move was eventually made to the present modern building. New methods concerning education generally were introduced and

Mr. Whiteside and his staff were instrumental in building up a school on thoroughly up to date lines.

A parting gift was made to Mr. Whiteside representing old pupils and friends in the Parish and consisted of a pair of Ross binoculars, and the School Managers were associated with the gift. On behalf of the school and staff Mr. Drew spoke of the friendly atmosphere of the school under Mr. Whiteside's leadership, and presented stainless steel gardening tools, and to Mrs. Whiteside an early morning tea set. Mrs. and Miss Whiteside also received bouquets. The Vicar spoke on behalf of the Managers and Mr. Griffin for the Parish Council, both expressing great appreciation of Mr. Whiteside's long connection with the school and wished him many years of happy retirement.

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Register

Burial, June 10th. Bertram George Legg, aged 48.