THE weather this summer has been so bad that a fine day is remembered as exceptional. It was on one of those rare days that the Parish Church children had their annual outing to Swanage. A large party, including several parents, had a very happy day.

It may not be out of place to say something here about the afternoon service which is held each Sunday and is known as the Children's Service. It is intended to take the place of a Sunday School and includes all ages from the very young upwards and is attended by grown ups as well. Obviously such a service presents difficulties, but to get even the youngest into the way of attending is an important thing, and since this service was introduced more than 20 years ago many hundreds of young people have been entered in the Registers, some of whom are now married—and are beginning to send their own children—although very small ones!

THE Report of the Lambeth Conference has now been published and a number of copies have been bought by church people locally. The Conference itself consisted of over 300 Bishops from all parts of the world and for a month they discussed the many problems confronting modern civilisation. A short illustrated Report will be issued shortly and we shall have a number of copies for sale. The price will be 1/6d. and to those who are not able to have the larger edition we commend this.

Here is a very brief extract from a message issued at the conclusion of the Conference—

'Our religion must be expressed not only at home and in church but in our working life in the world. This working life is just as truly God's concern. Therefore we call upon you all to seek to understand God's purpose amid the perplexities of the social, industrial and political life of our country and to offer yourselves as instruments of this purpose in these spheres.'

No-one who reads the full Report can fail to see how comprehensive it is and how the Bishops of the Anglican church all over the world are full of optimism in spite of the many and great problems of the day.

AMONG the many visitors to the Parish Church this summer we had representatives of the National Trust of Wilts and Dorset. Needless to say they were impressed by its beauty and care.
HARVEST Thanksgiving—Parish Church, September 28th.
Services at the Parish Church at usual times. S. Nicholas,
October 5th—Holy Communion 9.30 a.m., Evensong 7 p.m.

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Holy Baptism, at S. Nicholas.
August 31st. Peregrine, son of Dennis and Mary Bentley.