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CHURCH SERVICES.

BERE REIS.

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

Holy Communion, Sept. 1st, midday.

" " " 15th and 29th, at 8 a.m.

Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Sept. 17, at 7-30 p.m.

We hope it will suit our friends equally well that the Harvest Thanksgiving Service should be held on a somewhat earlier day this year than has been the case heretofore. The day is to be Tuesday, September 17th. There are special reasons for making the change, and, moreover, it seems more suitable not to postpone the Thanksgiving Service to a day so very remote from the actual Harvest, (and this year the Harvest has been an exceptionally early one,) when people are thinking rather of the approaching winter than of the past summer. The preacher is to be the Rev. Canon Chapman. We shall hope to hold Special Services on the first Sunday in October in commemoration of the restoration of the Church.

PARISH LAMPS.

At the Parish Council Meeting on the 19th ult. the question of lighting the village in winter evenings came up for consideration. The difficulty these last few years has been to raise the requisite funds by private subscriptions, and the plan which recommends itself to some of us of putting the lighting in the local rates seems to be open to serious objection. If this is not to be, there are only two alternatives, either to abandon the lighting of the village, or to endeavour to increase the subscriptions for that object. The first of these is surely not to be thought of. To light the streets of a large village after dark on a winter evening in these days is almost a necessity; to abandon the practice after having adopted it would be a clear mark of degeneracy. It has, therefore, been determined to assign the task of collecting the requisite funds to the Clerk of the Parish Council, and we hope that our friends, now that they know how much is wanted, will considerably increase their subscriptions. The funds at present stand as follows, from which it will be seen that £4 16s. 5d. is owing to Mr. Hibbs.

INCOME.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
In hand, January, 1901 ...	1 17 8	
Collected 1900-1901 ...	4 13 0	
		6 10 8
Deficit, owing to Mr. Hibbs		4 16 5
		£11 7 1

EXPENDITURE.		
1899-1900.		
Expenses, after paying Lamplighter ...		3 19 4
1900-1901.		
Chimneys, &c.	0 9 11	
Wicks, &c.	4 6	
Oil	2 13 4	
		3 7 9
Lamplighter, 1900-1901		4 0 0
		£11 7 1

The debt to Mr. Hibbs must be cleared off by means of a concert or some other special effort.

MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The following note was received from the Secretary at the Central Office in London, on receipt of the work and dolls which had been shown at our garden meeting in June. "Your nice parcel of work was much admired by the Special Committee: the 15 excellent dolls from the C.C.K.M, as well as the most useful suits and turbans will all be sent to Bangalore where they are sure to be gratefully received and be very acceptable." The few things remaining over from the Sale have almost all been sold, so that we have the satisfaction of sending to the centre; £2 from the Women's Branch, and 30/- from the Children's Branch (C.C.K.M.); reserving 23/- for buying materials in the coming season. The Monthly Work-Meetings will be resumed in October. It is hoped that our numbers will increase, and that those who cannot come to the meetings will do some work at home for the Missions or take a collecting box.

ORGAN FUND.

A Jumble Sale is to be held in the Vicarage Garden (weather permitting) on Friday, September 6th, at 2-30 p.m., the proceeds to be given to a fund for improving the organ. It will be a question whether it is worth while to spend money on the present organ, and not rather to endeavour to roll up what would be required for before long purchasing a new organ more worthy of the Church.

SCHOOL TREAT.

On Bank Holiday, August 4th, the Children of the Sunday School were most kindly and hospitably entertained by Mr. W. Bedford, in a field near Doddings Farm. The weather was perfect and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent. After a short service in Church at 2, a procession, headed by the Whitechurch Band, marched to Doddings, where an ample tea was provided; later there was cricket for the boys, swings and skipping for the girls,—though some of these, too, had a little private cricket on their own account),—races and dancing for all. The Whitechurch Band, acquitted themselves in a most creditable manner. By the kindness of a few friends, tea was provided for the parents of the scholars; but as the band was rather an afterthought, there is still a small deficiency in the account of 10/6, which we shall be thankful to receive.

FLOWER SHOW.

The Flower Show was held on August 22nd, in very fine weather. Particulars respecting the Show must be held over till the next issue. There was a large attendance.

BAPTISM.—Aug. 11, Vera Margaret, daughter of William J. and Mary J. Besent.

MARRIAGE.—Aug. 19, Thomas Boyte and Rachel M. Toms.

BURIALS.—Aug. 21, Reginald Toms, aged 4 years.

" 24, Agnes Mary Clift, aged 3 weeks.

" 27, Elizabeth Ralls, aged 87 years.

KINGSTON.

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HOLY COMMUNION:
Sept. 1st, at Midday.
,, 15th, at 8 a.m.

HARVEST FESTIVAL:
Friday the 13th, at 7-30 p.m.

BOYS' ALLOTMENTS.

A Government Inspector from London has been to see the plots and is very pleased with them.

EVENING CONTINUATION CLASSES.

The Classes will begin again next month, if a sufficient number of pupils present themselves.

The subjects have not been definitely arranged yet, but Mr. Newman will take "The Science of Common Things," and Mr. Berry probably Geography and History.

HARVEST FESTIVAL.

The Festival has been fixed for Friday, September 13th. The Rev. P. A. Butler, Rector of East Stoke, will be the preacher. We shall be glad of offerings of fruit, flowers, and vegetables, also for help in decorating the Church.