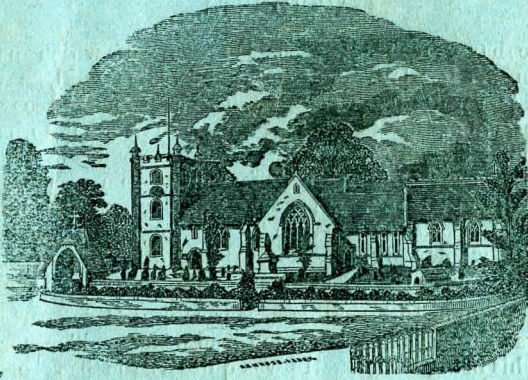


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Extracts from the Parish Registers.

BAPTISMS.

May 31st.—(Born Feb. 20th,) William, son of William and Mary Keane, of Rockwell End.

Same day.—(Born March 15th,) Arthur, son of William and Sarah Cook, of Rockwell End.

Same day.—(Born May 8th,) Ada Mary, daughter of Edmund and Mary Plumridge, of Pheasants' Hill.

Same day.—(Born May 3rd,) Stephen, son of James and Mary Harvey, Farm Bailiff, of Millend.

June 7th.—(Born Sept. 13th, 1866,) Frances, daughter of Stephen and Louisa Williams, Cow-keeper, of Kentish Town, Middlesex.

BURIAL.

June 20th.—(Died June 17th,) Mary Buckland, aged 81 years, of Hambleton.

ACCIDENTS.

Again we have to chronicle accidents, one of which has ended fatally. On Wednesday, June 3rd, Mary Buckland, having recently been less well than usual, but having partially recovered, attempted while alone in the room to stand on a stool to hang up a cup on its nail; she fell down on the back of her head. Though she did not appear the first day to suffer much from it, she gradually became more and more unconscious, and died on the morning of Wednesday, June 17th; thus ending a long life which, almost throughout its whole length, had been the life of an invalid. She was deservedly much respected for her quiet and religious character.

On Tuesday June 16th, William Harman, of Hide, carter to Mr. Pullein, was thrown from a waggon load of hay. The horses went on without his being aware. He was quite at the back of the load, and so was thrown off upon the hard road, and broke his left thigh. Another man was on the load with him, but happily being nearer to the front he did not fall off.

LABOURERS' FRIEND ASSOCIATION.

The number of persons who offer their Cottages for inspection is 22, and of those who offer their Gardens 37.

We have great pleasure in announcing the following new subscription:—

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Stanley, the Hon. Misses	1	0	0

HAMBLEDEN CHURCH CHOIR.

On Thursday July 4th, the men of the Choir went for their summer excursion, and Mr. Courtney as well as the Rector accompanied them. They left Hambleden in Mr. Feese's van, at 6.30. a.m. to spend some hours at Sandown in the Isle of Wight. The same assistance and civility were accorded to them by the railway officials as on former occasions. They had Pic-nic tickets from Reading to Basingstoke. and from Basingstoke to Stokes Bay. Unhappily, during the railway journey rain began and continued at intervals till 1 o'clock, at which time it set in and did not cease, sometimes falling heavily, till nearly 5 p.m. It nearly held up during the passage across to Ryde in the Steam Boat, but the incessant rain prevented their dining, as was intended, on the sands, and also made it impossible to enjoy the sea beach in the afternoon. However it cleared up for them to see Ryde and to enjoy, which they did to the utmost, the short return passage to Stokes Bay. Though the weather was so unfavourable, they were determined to make the best of everything, and did really enjoy their trip extremely. They reached Hambleden again soon after 11 p.m. and found that there, where rain was so ardently longed for, there had been scarcely more than a drizzling mist.

On Tuesday the 9th June, the boys went for a long day to Windsor, accompanied by the Rector, Rev. G. H. Gibbs and Mr. Falkner. Mr. Feese's van was again chartered for the trip. They left Hambleden at 8.30. a.m. amidst deafening cheers, and driving through Marlow and Maidenhead, places which most of the boys had not before seen, reached Windsor at 11.15. They found omnibusses and drags of every description pouring out of Windsor, heavily laden, to Ascot, for it was the first day of the Races. They went immediately to the Castle where they received very kind treatment from Mr. Wale, Curator of the Gold Pantry. He not only showed them the treasures which are under his own special charge, but also introduced them to the Silver Plate, the Kitchen and Servants' Hall. The Policeman on duty in the Castle proved to have been acquainted with Hambleden in his younger days, so as to know that "Hobbs" was a famous name here for *singing*; for he asked whether we had any of that name now in the choir. They saw also the State Apartments, and went up to the top of the Round Tower. They then went to Church House, the residence of the Rev. Stephen Hawtrey, who, together with his sisters, most kindly and hospitably received them to dinner. In the afternoon they went to St. George's Chapel, and attended the Service, after which they returned to Mr. Hawtrey's and had tea. It is impossible to speak too gratefully of Mr. Hawtrey's great kindness. At 7.30. they started on the homeward journey and reached Hambleden just after 10 p.m. having beguiled the way with almost incessant singing. A truly happy day they had spent.

On Trinity Sunday, June 7th, collections were made in Hambleden Church, in compliance with the Bishop's Pastoral Letter, for the Diocesan Church Building Society. The amount collected at the four Services was £9 16s. 4d.

FRIETH CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY.

This Festival of the consecration of Frieth Chapel was held on Sunday, June 14th, one week later than usual. There was not so great a crowd of persons at the Evening Service, owing very probably to the excessive heat of the weather; but the Chapel was quite full. We are sorry to say that there were many children in the Churchyard making a great noise during the Service. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. F. W. Harris from these words in the day's Gospel, "Son remember." The chanting in the Evening Service was decidedly better than usual. The Anthem required more practice. The collections throughout the day amounted to £1. The members of the Choir will have a treat in the course of the summer, which will we hope encourage them to take more pains not only with an occasional Anthem, but also, and chiefly, with the ordinary chanting and singing of every Service.

SOUTH BUCKS FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

It has been determined not to have any Feast at Hambleton, connected with this Society, this year. The number of Members attending the Feast has been diminishing year by year. Last year, in consequence of the small number in attendance and the high price of meat, the Club incurred a debt for the Feast of £1 9 8½. In order to pay off this debt and to prevent a recurrence of the same mischief, it was thought necessary to raise the price of the tickets. The Stewards likewise gave notice to all the Members that tickets *must* be taken on or before Monday, June 22nd, that they might know how many intended to come, and might judge *first*, whether a sufficient number will come to make it worth while to have a Feast; and then, if so, might know for how many persons to prepare. At the meeting of Stewards on Tuesday the 23rd June, it appeared that less than 40 Members had taken tickets. This is so small a number out of upwards of 100 Members, that it was thought better to let the Feast drop entirely for this year, to return the money to those who had paid for their tickets, and to use every effort to secure a better attendance another year. We hope that *all* Members of the Society will set themselves to work to think what means can be devised to relieve it from its present debt, and also to stir up a greater interest in it, among its Members. We propose to return to the subject in our next number.

CRICKET.

We are sorry to say that no sympton has been seen or heard of any Cricket at Hambleton this Summer. Is this noble English game to be forgotten and die out at Hambleton? No subscriptions were paid in 1867 to the Cricket Club, except by the Rector and his son.