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Extracts from the Parish Register.

BAPTISMS.

Oct. 4th.—(Born September 4th,) Phoebe, daughter of Henry and Eliza Munday, of Frieth.

Oct. 18th.—(Born September 14th,) Mary Anne, daughter of Solomon and Emma Ginger, of Frieth.

Oct. 25th.—(Born September 28th,) Catharine Jane, daughter of George and Sarah Hussey, of High Wycombe.

MARRIAGE.

Oct. 1st.—John Francis Harvey of Paddington, and Eleanor Hobbs of Hambleden.

BURIAL.

Oct. 10th.—(Died October 7th,) Hannah Mascall, aged 72 years.

CRICKET.

Cricket playing did not prosper this summer at Hambleden. The Rector's game was played on the 14th September. Unfortunately at first the sides, purporting to be Hambleden against the World, were very unfairly balanced. After dinner on the Rectory Lawn, which was as usual done ample justice to by a merry party, fresh sides were chosen and play was kept up till darkness made it dangerous. We must hope that those who live to see another Cricket Season will revive the game, and encourage both practice and play.

THE FAIR CONCERT.

The Concert was largely attended by a well-behaved audience. More attention was paid to the amusing of the audience, than to the gratification of a refined taste. The absence of one of the principal singers on account of a most severe domestic affliction, was greatly felt, as well during the musical performance as by the necessary failure of the play which had been promised, and in which he would have to act a principal part. The Comic Songs were well received and deservedly so; especially "Poor married Man," in which the performer outdid himself, if possible, and caused almost unlimited merriment. After the concert the Magic Lantern was exhibited, and

the company renewed their acquaintance with Jack and the Beanstalk; the Misses Ridley playing a piano-forte duet while the necessary preparations were making. The amusements of the day were wound up, as usual, with the ascent of a Fire Balloon, which sailed aloft in majestic style, and remained within sight until all its force was exhausted. The company then dispersed in excellent order, after an afternoon of great and innocent enjoyment.

NIGHT SCHOOLS.

The Night School at Hambleton re-commenced on Monday, October 26th, rather earlier than in former years, and with a much larger attendance of Scholars. The Night School at Frieth will reopen the first week in November. Each school will be open as usual, two nights in the week, from 6 o'clock till 8 o'clock.

FRIETH CHAPEL.

It appeared that the new Stove which was purchased last winter did not answer its purpose. The Rector has offered to take this away at the price given for it, and all the members of the Congregation are requested to contribute, according to their means, less or more, towards the purchase of one that shall be really serviceable. Any sums left with either Mr. Toovey at Shogmoor, or Mrs. Webbe at Frieth, will be taken care of and applied to this purpose.

We are sorry to have to record another accident. George Wye, in the service of Mr. Charles Kitchen at Fawley Bottom, was trodden on by a horse in the stable while he was cleaning it out. The horse stepped violently on the boy's left leg and broke both bones. The leg was set almost immediately and the boy was brought home to his father's house at Skirmett.

LABOURERS' FRIEND ASSOCIATION.

We are sorry to say that there were very few Competitors for the Ploughing Prizes. Messrs. Warrington and Ralston, with their wonted kindness, came and inspected the ploughing, and adjudged the 1st Prize to Thomas Janes, Carter to Mr. Toovey, and the 2nd Prize to Jesse Short, Carter to H. W. Cripps, Esq.

Collections were made in Hambleton Church on Sunday, October 25th, in behalf of the Funds of the Incorporated Church Building Society for England and Wales. The Rector, before his Sermon on the Sunday morning previous, informed the Congregation that the present is the Society's fiftieth year, and that therefore its friends are endeavouring to raise a "Jubilee Fund." In the course of its fifty years existence, it has been instrumental in building, and re-building, and restoring 5000 Churches, and in providing additional Church room for a million and half of persons. This Parish, as well as very many others in the neighbourhood, is a debtor to this Society for assistance rendered in the Building or Restoration of the Church. The collections amounted to £6 19s. 3d.

The Depositors for Coals have been almost as numerous as in former years. The Contractor, Mr. Feeseey, will shortly begin to deliver it, so that the coals will be received earlier than last year. But the receivers should remember that the weather will probably be colder *after* Christmas than before.

HAMBLETON LITERARY INSTITUTE.

This most useful Institution was re-opened on Monday, October 5th. The number of weekly members is 20, and more are expected. It is impossible to speak too favorably of its usefulness, as furnishing the young men with a comfortable place of social resort, free from the temptations of a Public-house.

It is proposed to give an Entertainment in the last week of Nov. to consist of some Readings, with a little Music, and to conclude with some special amusement, of which due notice will be given and handbills issued when the day draws nearer.

Bibles, Prayer Books, Church Services, Hymn Books, to be had on application to Mr. Falkner at the Schools, or Mrs. Webbe at Frieth. Any Books or Periodicals can be obtained by applying to Mr. Falkner.