

Ertracts from the Parish Registers.

BAPTISMS.

- Oct. 3rd,—(born Aug. 1st,) Emily, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Smith, of Colstrop.
- Oct. 8th,—(born Aug. 19th,) Frederick William, son of Zechariah and Alice Coker, of Pheasants Hill.
- Same day, (born Sept 1st.) Anne, daughter of Ruth Stallwood, of Luxters.
- Same day, (born Aug. 6th.) Letitia, daughter of Thomas and Mary Anne Coker, of Pheasants Hill.
- Same day.—(born Aug. 13th,) Esther Higgins, daughter of Edmund and Mary Plumridge, of Pheasants Hill.
- Same day,—(born Sept. 11th.) Owen William, son of William and Susan Barlow, of Moors End.
- Oct 29th,—(born Sept. 19th,) Arthur, son of Thomas and Charlotte Neighbour, of Frieth.
- Same day,—(born Sept. 21st.) Arthur William, son of John and Eliza White, of Moors End.
- Same day,—(born Sept. 30th.) William, son of Charles and Esther Rylands, of How.

MARRIAGE.—Oct. 30th,—Charles Lathan and Hannah Aris.

BURIAL.—Oct. 5th,—(died Sept. 28th,) Alfred Thomas Coker, of Pheasants Hill,—infant.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE.

The Rector wishes it to be generally known that it is necessary, according to the Act of Parliament, that notice of Banns to be published, be given to him at least *seven days beforehand*. Persons who neglect to give this previous notice, must not be disappointed that their Banns are not asked as soon as they wish. When notice is given it should state, besides the names of the parties, the place where each person is residing, and how long he or she has been residing there. During the fifteen days while the Banns are being asked both parties must really reside where they are said to reside in the Notice. It is not enough to take a lodging and sleep there one night in the week. The person must reside there the fifteen days.

COALS.

If any poor persons wish to avail themselves of Mr. Scott Murray's gift of Coals, and have not yet given in their names and paid their 9s., they must do so immediately. The list will be made up on Saturday, November 4th.

NIGHT SCHOOLS.

Night School began at Hambleden on Monday, the 23rd Oct. and at Frieth on the following Evening. They will be continued at Hambleden through the winter on Mondays and Wednesdays, and at Frieth on Tuesdays and Fridays.

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THE NEW LECTIONARY.

A new Table of Lessons, or Lectionary, has been appointed, and our Bishop advises that we shall begin to use it this next Advent. The Lessons read in Church on Sundays and every day will not be the same as they have been heretofore, so the old "Church Services" will no longer be of any use. Copies of the "New Table of Lessons and Calendar" may be bought of Mr. Falkner, at the School, price $\frac{1}{2}d$. and 1d.

THE BIRDS' DEBATE; OR, MR OWL'S ADVICE. Reform, like Charity, should begin at home,

Before you judge others look well to yourself.

Once on a time, so says the fable, When birds to talk like men were able, The hirds upon a certain state Resolved to meet in grave debate, To see if they some plan could trace To mend the morals of their race.

"My dear friends all," says Chairman Rook,

(His head with grave import he shook,) "The news I hear is very sad. Our morals are corrupt and bad, And now this meeting you attend To see if we the case can mend."

Then up at once rose Mr. Jay, And said, "dear friends, I think I may Show you that all these brawls and bothers

Are caused by Sparrow, Crow, and others."

When thus he accused Mr. Crow, The birds in court cried out "no, no," And did at Jay indignant look, For Crow was friend to Chairman Rock.

"But friends," rejoined Mr. Jay, "I'll prove it now as clear as day;" But there were clamourings long and loud

As in no court should be allow'd, Till up one rose nam'd Mr. Owl, Who on the court did darkly scowl, And said "this cavilling is absurd;

I pray you let me speak a word. The case you say is clear as day, It may be so, I cannot say, You may be wrong—you may be right, But I see things in a different light,* You're trying to reform each other, And throw the blame upon your brother;

I think it far the better plan To try each one himself to scan, And ere in search of faults we roam, Try to reform and mend our own."