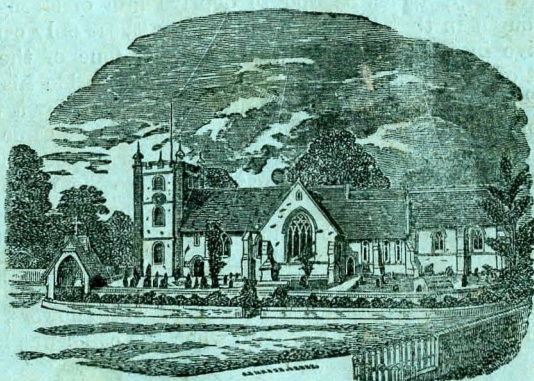


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Extracts from the Parish Registers.

BAPTISMS.

- Aug. 2nd.—Charles, son of Zechariah and Alice Coker, of Pheasants Hill.
Aug. 2nd.—Daisy Evelyn, daughter of George and Elizabeth Barlow, of Pheasants Hill.
Aug. 16th.—Alfred Ernest, son of William and Dorothy Nicholson Courtney, of Hambleden.

MARRIAGES.

- July 28th.—Thomas Deane to Emma Hall.
Aug. 19th.—Thomas Heath to Alice Clara Penton Paine.
Aug. 20th.—Frederick Hawkes to Sarah Ann Hobbs.
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So many of our readers were acquainted with BISHOP SUMNER, that they will not be displeased at hearing about him. Many remember seeing his fine venerable figure, and many have heard him preach in Hambleden Church. He passed to his rest at the age of nearly 84, on the 15th August. He had been Bishop of Winchester for 42 years, till suddenly in 1868, just as he was preparing to start on a Confirmation tour, it pleased God to deprive him of strength. The change wrought in that Diocese by his means (those only can appreciate who live in it. He was buried at Hale, (one of the parishes formed out of the Parish of Farnham,) and laid beside his wife who died just 25 years ago. He was followed to the grave by a very large assembly of children and grandchildren. The Clergy came in great numbers and from great distances to testify their respect for one who for so long had been truly a "Father in God" to them. The tradesmen of Farnham by their own wish walked from the Castle to Hale Church with the funeral procession, to the number of 200. The Service was beautifully conducted. No hatbands or scarves were worn. The pall was of handsome purple velvet with a white satin cross. The coffin was covered with wreaths of white flowers, and each of the granddaughters added a wreath when the coffin was left in the grave.

THE NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

The Schools throughout the Parish closed on Friday, July 31st. They were re-opened on Monday, August 31st. It is earnestly hoped that parents will be very particular in sending back the children at once, as the months of September and October are of great importance, both for completing the number of attendances, and for perfecting the knowledge of those subjects in which the children are to be examined the first week in November.

The name of Agnes Brace, pupil teacher at Frieth, appears in the First Class in the list of those who passed in the examination in Religious subjects, held at Henley, July 25th. The names of John W. Parncutt, pupil teacher at Hambleden, and Annie Brazier, pupil teacher at Frieth, also appear in the Second Class of the same list.

WASTE PAPER.

A large sack full of waste paper was sent last June to Lloyd's paper mills and a P. O. order for 12/6 was received in return. This money has been given to the Fund for Church Missions.

COALS.

Those who wish to pay in for coal are reminded that they must do so before the middle of October.

LABOURERS' FRIEND ASSOCIATION.

The Vegetable Show in connection with this Association will probably be held in the School-room on 22nd of September. But further notice will be given of it previously.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING.

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held at Hambleden on Tuesday, September 22nd, and at Frieth on the following day. Gifts of flowers, fruit, &c. will be thankfully received, and it is hoped that those who are able, will assist in decorating the Churches.

CRICKET.

On August 3rd a match was played at Greenlands between the Hambleden Cricket Club and Mr. Smith's servants. The weather was all that could be desired, and the ground, which had been prepared with great care by the Greenlands people, was very good indeed. The wickets were pitched shortly after 12.30, the Rev. C. M. Wetherall and Stillwell acting as umpires. The Hambleden Club having won the toss went in first and made a score of 104 runs. Greenlands then went to the wickets and were disposed of for the comparatively small score of 51. Hambleden then went in again and made 115; Greenlands following with 40. Thus it will be seen that the match resulted in an easy victory for Hambleden. The representatives of the Hambleden Club were, Rev. J. H. R. Kirby, H. C. M. Ridley, Esq. E. L. Ryder, Esq. W. Dyer, E. Falkner, J. Holloway, J. Hedger, F. Lamb, H. Lane, E. Lawrence, A. Sellars. The Greenlands eleven were, C. Beckett, J. Bennett, A. Chapman, H. Good, J. Goodyer, T. Heath, W. Horne, F. Luffman, J. Pheby, A. Smith, H. Wotton.

A match has also been played between the Mill-end and Hambleden boys, which resulted in an easy victory for the former, Mill-end winning in one innings with several runs.

MEDMENHAM CORNER.

BAPTISM.

August 9th. Cecil Alfred Hill.

We are afraid that owing to the harvest operations, August 11th was rather an awkward day for many friends of the children who like to be present at the annual School Treat. It certainly was a pity that an earlier time could not have been chosen, but that being impossible it would yet have been unwise to defer the Treat to shorter days. The company of visitors though not small could have been larger. The weather though not wet could have been finer. Good company and fine weather are great helps on such an occasion. Still as it was things went off very tolerably. The attendance of children was full, 20 girls, and 25 boys. There was a procession to the Church with banners. After a short service with an exhortation a general movement was made to the Vicarage. On the lawn Mrs. Hill, Miss Harris, Miss Bickley, and Miss Mary Dyson, with others waited on the children at tea. It is hardly necessary to say that this was good, plentiful, and enjoyed by the children. Grace was sung before and after. Then games of many kinds, from cricket to "Oranges and Lemons," afforded amusement. There was a good supply of prizes for winners in racing, &c. Meanwhile the refreshment of the friends of the children was not forgotten. Before parting, prize books were presented to those who had acquitted themselves well in Day School and Sunday School, and the Vicar took the opportunity of reminding the children, *and friends of the children*, about the imperative necessity of punctual attendance at School, saying that the attendance of a child coming in late does not count at all. The Treat was brought to a close with loud cheers for Mr. Charlton, for the Rev. W. and Mrs. Hill, and the Ladies; the singing of "God save the Queen"; and the addition of a piece of cake to each child.

We should have mentioned last month, but it was overlooked, that the Medmenham branch of the South Bucks Friendly Society, had their annual dinner and holiday at the Abbey, on July 20th.

CRICKET MATCH.

A good match was played at the Abbey on August 24th, between what we suppose must be called elevens of Hambleden, and Medmenham. It certainly was not the latter, neither was it quite the former. Except at the wicket itself the grass was stiff and long, which must account for the very short scores. Hambleden scored 37, and 36. Medmenham 35, and 29, or 9 runs too few.

It will be pleasing to many to hear that a new stained window is contemplated for our Church.

We hope the Chancel rails will soon be put up by the Firm which has the work in hand.