

Extracts from the Parish Registers.

BAPTISMS.

Feb. 28th. (Born Jan. 6th.) Minnie Jane, daughter of William and Emma Dyer, of Hambleden.

March 7th. (Born Dec. 25th, 1874.) Alfred John, son of Moses and Hannah Parkins, of Hambleden.

Same day. (Born Jan. 15th.) Frederick John, son of James and Sarah Fuller, of How.

March 21st. (Born Jan. 27th.) Alfred John, son of John and Deborah Webbe, of Frieth.

March 28th. (Born Jan. 22nd.) Theodore Henry Ernest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stretch, of Kensington.

Same day. (Born Jan. 3rd.) Arthur Owen, son of William and Mary Anne Lewis, of Lane End Parish.

Same day. (Born Jan. 31st.) Bertram James, son of James and Betsy Barksfield, of Frieth.

Same day. (Born Feb. 16th.) Mary Jane, daughter of Walter and Susan Rose, of Spurgrove.

BURIAL.

March 20th. (Died March 15th.) George Dawson, of Burrow, aged 43 years.

The following is a statement of the Hambleden Sunday School Clothing Society for 1874.

INCOME.	£	S.	d.
Payments of Children	. 23	11	9
Doyle, Miss	1	5	0
Murray, C. R. Scott, Esq	. 3	3	
Ridley, Rev. W. H.	. 2	2	0
Ryder, Admiral and Miss			0
Smith, W. H., Esq. M.P.			0
Stanley, the Hon. Misses		10	
Donation		10	
Interest from Savings' Bank		4	
	£36	9	5
Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Tickets for clothing	35	18	1
Printing	0	7	0
Deficiency, 1873-4	ĺ	i	9
	97	6	10
Deficiency, 1874-5	0	-	5
	£36	9	5

THE PARISH NURSE.

The following is a statement of the Income and Expenditure on account of this very useful person for the year ending February 25th, 1875.

	EXPENDITURE.	£	8.	d.	
Nı	urse's Salary, lodging, &c	32	14	7	
	INCOME.			1	
	Subscriptions:—	£	s.	d.	
Ar	nonymous	0	5	0	
Ba	rnett, Mrs	. 0	10	0	
Gr	rey, Admiral Hon. G	1	0	0	
Ri	dley, Rev. W. H. & Mrs	3	0	0	
Ri	dley, Miss E. F	0	5	0	

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Ryder, Vice-Admiral A. P., and Miss	3	0	0	
Scott Murray, C. R., Esq	2	0	0	
Smith, W. H., Esq. M.P.	5	0	0	
Stanley, the Hon Misses	2	0	0	
Payments for nursing	3	12	0	
Deficiency	100	12		
	232	14	7	
	4 10	The Real Property lies		

We cannot be sorry that last year there was so little sickness in the Parish, that for weeks and months together the Nurse was at home with nothing to do. In the few cases where she was employed she did a great deal of good, gave great satisfaction to the families, and is looked upon by each family as a friend. Her services have lately been in more constant request. Wherever she goes the same account is heard, how pleased they are with her. There is a scale of charges for her services, proportioned to the means of the family. But when she is not otherwise engaged she is sent to the very poor to do what she can for them, without charge. The deficiency in the funds for her maintenance is of course partly due to her want of employment last year. But we think that some of our friends can hardly have known of her existence, otherwise they would have contributed towards her support. Of course such a deficiency as is now declared cannot be allowed to continue. We invite help from all persons; for all know something of the value of a good nurse. Pithouse Trustees have contributed Two Guineas from the funds at their disposal to this fund for the current year.

A new set of Bell-ropes has just been furnished to the Tower of Hambleden Church. They were fixed on Easter Eve, and used for the first time on Easter Sunday. It is not impossible that they may live to see the Tower remodelled, and to find themselves hung afresh!

Some of the ladies of the Parish have again during Lent devoted their time and labour to Missionary work. The value of the materials which they have made up into articles of clothing was £1 4s. 0d. The garments are to be sent to the Mission at Zanzibar.

We congratulate Mr. Toovey on having completed the filling up of one of the pits at Frieth. We shall look with interest to the still further improvement of the waste land in that neighbourhood; and shall be prepared to rejoice with him when all is once more green with grass.

The tea-drinking with which Mr. Toovey has for some years so kindly treated the Scholars of the Frieth Night School was postponed till Easter Monday, Lent falling so early this year. The enjoyment of the guests does not appear to have in any way suffered through the delay. He was well supported by the Rev. C. M. Wetherall, and the young people seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly. Great thanks are due to Mr. Toovey and the other voluntary Teachers of the Night School for their unwearied labours.

MEDMENHAM CORNER.

The Night School was closed March 4th, having been open 37 nights during the winter. On the book are 16 names, of whom 8 attended very regularly. This year the Vicar was assisted in the teaching and the progress made was therefore proportionately greater. Next winter we hope there will be a night school at Woodend also. This is much needed; and it can easily be managed with a little volunteer assistance in the teaching. The Vicar sincerely thanks those who have kindly helped him this last winter.

LENTEN SERVICES. The Church offered frequent opportunities for Public Worship during Lent and the Holy Week, but the worshippers

were generally very few-unaccountably few.

EASTER. Owing to the great Festival falling so early this year, and also owing to the severe cold, considerable difficulty was found in getting the Church ready. But if the means were not abundant, there was no lack of kind persons wishing to make the Church look well. In this we think they have been successful.

It is very gratifying to note that the attendance at Early Commu-

nion shewed an increase on that of the two last years.

PAROCHIAL ACCOUNTS FOR 1874.

	FEMALES	Marine Street	Charles Sh
RECEIVED.		E s.	d.
C. R. Scott Murray, Esq.		ST. K	
(for Parish Clubs & Poor)	6	6	0
Miss Scott Murray	7	0	0
Mr. and Miss Hobbs	5	0	0
Mrs Cookesley	5	0	0
Mr. Philip Hobbs	2	0	0
T. O. Wethered, Esq. M.P.	4	0	0
Exeter, Pembroke, and			
Jesus Colleges	3	3.	0
Mr. and Miss Blackwell	1	11	0
Mr. and Mrs. Dyson	ī		0
Robert Crossman, Esq		- 0	
Mr. James Ralston		15	
Rev. Canon & Mrs. Ridley	ĭ	0	0
Collections in Church, Oct.			
25th	4	7	0
Mrs. Townsend (the late)	1		0
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A gift		19	71
Rev. W. and Mrs. Hill		11	
Box in Church		18	91
Offertory			9
School Pence	2	4	9
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EXPENDED.	£	g.	d.
Church Expenses	11	7	10
Choir Expenses		7	
School Mistress	30	0	0
" Monitors	2	8	0
Expenses		11	4
Firing and Clothing Clubs	7	5	9
Books, &c. for Parochial use	0	7	0
Alms to Poor	9	9	8
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In the Church last year were collected the following sums :-

	£	S.	d.
Offertory for Poor	7	18	9
Alms Box	0	11	91
Collections on account of Famine in Bengal	4	13	9
,, ;, Pastoral Letter	1	8	1
Harvest Festival Collections, for Bucks Infirmary	2	16	21
Collections for Church and Parish	4	6	8
Offertory on Ascension Day, (for Association)		6	3
Offertory on Day of Intercession, for Student's Fund	0	6	8
Collections for S.P.G.	2	6	4
	£24	14	6
Missionary Meeting in School Room	0	16	7
Missionary Boxes	ĭ	0	o