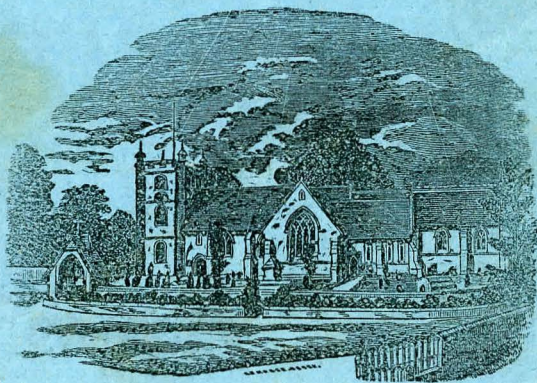


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# Extracts from the Parish Registers.

## BAPTISMS.

September 3rd, (born July 7). Tom, son of George and Matilda Holland, of Hambleden.

Some day, (born July 7). George David, son of George and Sarah Green, of Mill End.

September 6th, (born August 6). Eva Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Toovey, of Shogmoor.

Same day, (born July 8). Josephine Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Powell, of Flint Hall.

September 17th, (born August 12). Mary Ann, daughter of George and Sarah Hussey, of High Wycombe.

September 24th, (born August 17). Annie Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Millington, of Hambleden.

Same day, (born August 27). Francis Alfred, son of Frederick and Sarah Ann Hawkes, of Hambleden.

## MARRIAGES.

September 9th. James Clayton and Betsey Munday.

Same day. John Clark and Jane Aris.

## BURIALS.

August 30th, (died August 27). Fanny Lathan, of Skirmett, aged 80 years.

September 16th, (died September 11). George Wakefield, of Moor Common, infant.

September 23rd, (died September 20). Alice West, of Hambleden, aged 78 years.

## LABOURERS' FRIEND ASSOCIATION.

The annual Vegetable and Flower Show of the above Association, was held in the School-rooms at Hambleden, on Tuesday, September 19th. The weather was most beautifully fine, and consequently there was a large gathering of people from well nigh all parts of the Parish. The Show itself was undoubtedly good, taking into consideration the somewhat trying seasons we have lately had for gardens, the snow in Spring and the unusually dry weather in July and August. There were some very good collections of Garden produce exhibited. The Red Kidney Potatoes were specially praised by the Judges. The Round Red Potatoes were considered as a class too coarse for exhibition. The Judges, Messrs. Jones and Mitchell, (who again spared no pains to fulfil their difficult task with impartiality and fairness), recommend that in future persons sending a 'collection' should not shew more than one kind of potatoes. The number of Nosegays, both of wild and garden flowers, was larger than we have seen for some years.

In the absence of the Rector from home, the Prizes were given away in the School-yard, at 4 o'clock, by H. W. Cripps, Esq., Q.C., who kindly consented, at the request of the Committee, to fill his place. Samuel Futtah, John Webbe, John Butler, and Charles Leaver were the most successful of those who live 'Uphill'; and Thomas Clements, Edmund Denham, William Denham, and Isaac Denham, of those who live 'Down-hill.' On the whole we may feel quite satisfied with the Show this year, but all of us greatly missed the Rector, who takes so keen an interest in the welfare of this Association.



The Ploughing Matches came off on Monday, September 18, on land occupied by Mr. Toovey, of Shogmoor. Mr. Ralston of King's Barn, Mr. Blackwell of Wood End, and Mr. King of Widmore Farm, were the Judges. There were 14 entries. The following men and boys gained prizes.

|              |  | <i>With two horses.</i> |    |    |
|--------------|--|-------------------------|----|----|
|              |  | £                       | s. | d. |
| 1st Prize.   | E. Cook (Carter to O. E. Stone, Esq.) ... .. | 1                       | 10 | 0  |
| 2nd Prize.   | J. Leaver, Jun. (Carter to Mr. Toovey)... .. | 1                       | 0  | 0  |
| Extra Prize. | Goodyer (Carter to W. H. Smith, Esq., M.P.)  | 0                       | 12 | 6  |

*With three horses and a boy.*

|              |  |   |    |   |
|--------------|--|---|----|---|
| 1st Prize.   | W. Plumridge (Carter to Mr. Lailey) ... ..     | 1 | 10 | 0 |
|              | Boy ... ..                                     | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| 2nd Prize.   | G. Titts (Carter to Mr. Lailey) ... ..         | 1 | 0  | 0 |
|              | Boy ... ..                                     | 0 | 7  | 6 |
| Extra Prize. | A. Atkins (Carter to H. W. Cripps, Esq., Q.C.) | 0 | 12 | 6 |
|              | Boy ... ..                                     | 0 | 5  | 0 |

*Rick Building and Thatching.*

There were only four entries for the above, and two of those men who had entered were disqualified from taking prizes because their Ricks had, through some misunderstanding, been trimmed contrary to the Rules. One competitor only was considered deserving of a prize, namely

James King (Greenlands) ... .. £1

### HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES.

The Harvest Festival was held at Hambleden, on the Evening of the Show, at 5.30 p.m. A procession of Choristers, Sheaf-bearers, and Clergy was formed at the School, and marched from there to the Church, headed by their banner, singing Hymn 385, A. & M. When they entered the West doors which lead into the Nave, they sang, led by the organ, Hymn 384. There was a very large congregation.

The Sermon, which was most appropriate and eloquent, was preached by the Rev. Savill Young, of Hurst. The Collection, which was for Foreign Missions, amounted to £13 4s. 8½d. Mrs. Wetherall, the Choir's late Organist, presided at the Organ.

We cannot lose this opportunity of expressing the thanks of the Choir and Congregation to Miss Hill, who has so kindly given her services to the Organ during the absence of Miss Ridley. It would have been a sad pity, and would have taken much from the warmth and liveliness of the Service, had the Organ remained dumb these last eight weeks, which would have been the case if Miss Hill had not undertaken to play it.

The Harvest Festival at Frieth took place on Sunday Afternoon, September 24, at 3 o'clock. The Church was very full; the Rev. J. A. Cree, Vicar of Marlow, preached a very suitable and plain Sermon, The Collection, which was also for Foreign Missions, was £3 7s. 0½d. We were very glad to see, in both Collections, so many pence and half-pence. Both Churches were tastefully decorated by willing and skilful hands.

### OXFORD DIOCESAN INSPECTION.

We have received the Report of the examination of Pupil Teachers in Religious Knowledge, which was held in July. John Parncott (5th year), Theodore Lucas (3rd year), and Agnes Brace (5th year), appear in the second class of their respective years. Annie Brazier (3rd year), is, we are glad to record, placed in the first class.

### COAL.

Those who intend to pay in for Coal this year must pay 10s. to the Rector some time during the month of October, and they will in due time receive half a ton of Coal.



## CLOTHING CLUB.

The last payment for the year will be made on Monday, October 30th, when all the cards must be taken to the Rectory, at 12 o'clock. Those who usually pay in at Frieth, must on that day take their cards to Hambleton instead.

## MEDMENHAM CORNER.

### BURIAL.

September 7. Arthur Ralph Frost, aged 32 years.

There has been a very nice memorial placed to mark the resting place of Sarah Brown, who was buried on 31st July. We call attention to it for one reason, because there is no other like it in our Churchyard, but chiefly because it has long been desirable to introduce some fitting Christian memorial which will be at once more durable and less expensive than the ordinary wooden erections.

After having to apologize month after month for its non appearance, it is with sincere relief that we are able to speak of the Organ as an accomplished fact. This feeling doubtless is shared by all our readers, but let us first make a recorded note of the opening which took place on Sunday, September 17th. In the Morning a joyous peal let every one know that the day was with us a day to be observed. The numbers which found their way to Church proved that the call was gladly responded to. In the morning the Church seemed to be full, in the afternoon to be crowded. The Rev. James Robertson, Curate of Great Marlow, preached in the morning from St. Matt. xxi. 9. The Venerable Archdeacon Purey Cust, in the afternoon, from St. Mark xiv. 4, 5. The Organ was played by Mr. George Lake, of Great Marlow. The Collections were towards the completion of the Fund, and amounted to £5 11s. 9d.

Now touching the Organ itself no doubt its tones and appearance have been pretty well criticised ere this by those who have attended our services. Perhaps then it may be information of some interest to those who have formed an opinion, that no less than five Organists of position have pronounced very favourably upon the merits of the instrument. We ourselves think that Mr. Atterton has done his work excellently well both in respect of sound and sight. He has certainly utilised the very limited space allowed him with much skill and has used only the best materials. The structure is neat, compact, and ecclesiastical. It takes up no room which is required, shuts out no view; nearly all the pipes are contained within a swell which gives the advantage almost of a second Organ. There are eight stops and one octave of pedals. Of course when this is said it is after all only an instrument of small compass, but then so is the Church small, and not in want of a powerful Organ. It is to be hoped that it will afford us, through God's mercy, those great advantages which were pointed out by the preachers of the 17th. The Fund:—

|                           |    |    |   |                            |     |    |   |
|---------------------------|----|----|---|----------------------------|-----|----|---|
| Sums already announced .. | 87 | 1  | 0 | Fanny Warner ... ..        | 0   | 2  | 0 |
| Mr. James Ralston ... ..  | 0  | 10 | 0 | Collected Sept. 17. ... .. | 5   | 11 | 9 |
| John Noble, Esq. ... ..   | 5  | 0  | 0 |                            |     |    |   |
| William Norcott ... ..    | 0  | 5  | 0 |                            |     |    |   |
| Daniel Warner ... ..      | 0  | 2  | 6 |                            |     |    |   |
|                           |    |    |   |                            | £98 | 13 | 3 |

And the matter stands thus as near as we can say. We want about £6 more to make a good book. There are several incidental expenses, which in a case like this must be incurred and must be covered.