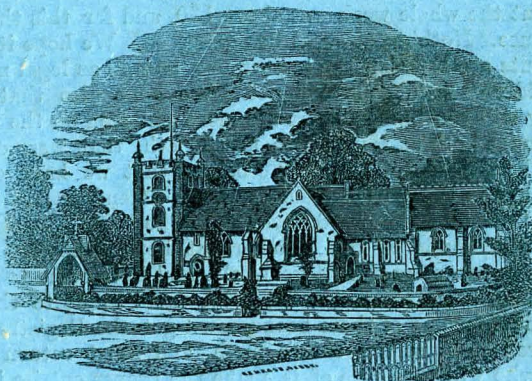


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## Extracts from the Parish Registers.

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### BAPTISMS.

- March 10. (Born Jan. 14.) Martha, daughter of James and Lucy Webbe, of Luxsters.  
Same day. (Born Jan. 5.) Albert Percy, son of Charles and Elizabeth Sellers, of Skirmett.  
Same day. (Born Jan. 8.) Nellie, daughter of Richard and Eliza Anderson, of Spurgrove.
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### BURIALS.

- March 4. (Died Feb. 27.) Emily Annie Austin, of Skirmett, aged 1 year and 11 months.  
March 26. (Died March 23.) Richard Smith, aged 74.
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### NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

We have so often felt obliged to speak in terms of censure of the great irregularity of the attendance of the children, that it is with no little pleasure we draw attention to the remarkable fact, viz :—that on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 19, out of 141 children whose names are on the books at Hambleden, 139 were actually present; only *two* were absent, of whom, one is always at work in the afternoon, and the other was *bond fide* ill. The number in attendance throughout the whole week was above 130, and for this there was no *special* cause. Nothing unusual was going on. We hope it is a proof that parents are learning the importance, as well as legal necessity of their children's regular attendance. We hope also that the same regularity will continue. There are more children on the books, and in attendance both at Hambleden and Frieth, than were ever known to be at these Schools before. We believe that we have every child of school age in the parish. The average attendance at Frieth for the week beginning March 18, was 105. The "Child's School Book," is now in the hands of the Teachers at both Schools. Parents of children who are more than 4 years old, and have come to School for the first time since December 31, 1877, must apply to the Teacher of the School for one of these books, must get the Registrar's Certificate entered in it of the child's birth, and must return it to the Teacher, who will take care of it, make the proper entries in it every year, and return it to the child when he or she leaves the School. The Registrar's fee for such certificate is 6d.

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In our January number we had to report the frightful accident which had happened to James Harvey's right hand and arm. We are thankful now to be able to say that the arm has recovered wonderfully well, and that he has been supplied with a false arm, hand, and instruments likely to be useful to him in future. His friends were anxious to subscribe together to purchase this for him and present it to him as a token of their sympathy and a mark of their respect for him. The following is the list of subscriptions received up to the present time. The list is still open, and if any other persons like to subscribe, their contributions may be sent either to Mr. Stone, at Millend, or to the Rectory.



### *Subscriptions towards James Harvey's Artificial Arm.*

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Smith, Rt. Hon. W. H., M.P.	3	3	0	Hobbs, Mr. G. Junior	1	0	0
Ryder, Admiral, A. P.	3	3	0	Sharp, Mr. J.	0	5	0
Ridley, Rev. W. H.	1	1	0	Reeve, Mr. B.	0	5	0
Schwabe, J. C. Esq.	3	3	0	Fuller, Mr. T.	0	2	6
Stanley, the Hon. Maria	1	1	0	Hobbs, Mr. E.	0	10	0
Doyle, Miss	0	10	6	Howard, J. T. Esq.	1	0	0
Barnett, Mrs.	1	0	0	Lesler, Mr.	0	5	0
Smith, Mr. S.	1	0	0	Rixon, Mr.	0	5	0
Lailey, Mr. J.	1	0	0	Brown, T. Esq.	0	5	0
Stone, Mr. O. E.	1	0	0	Powell, Mr. J.	0	5	0
Stone, Mrs. S. A.	1	0	0	Toose, Mr.	0	5	0
Stone, Miss E.	0	10	0	Street, Mr. T.	0	2	6
Hobbs, Mr. G.	1	0	0	Kitchen, Mr. J.	0	5	0
Robinson, Mr. T.	0	10	0	Fooler, Mr. G.	0	5	0
Graham, Mr. W.	0	10	0	Hudson, Mrs.	0	10	0
Forbes, Mr.	0	10	0	Chambers, Mr. G.	1	0	0
Keene, Mr. C.	1	0	0	Deane, Mr. A.	0	10	0
Webbe, Mr. H. R.	1	1	0	Johnson, Mr. T.	0	10	0
Barnett, Mr. C.	0	5	0	Hobbs, Mr. G. (collected by)	0	10	0
Barnett, Mr. A.	0	5	0	White, Mr. J.	1	0	0
Stanham, Miss	0	5	0				
Hobbs, Mr. P.	1	0	0				
Micklem, H. Esq.	1	0	0				
					£33	17	6

Collections were made at Hambleden and Frieth on the 1st Sunday in Lent, March 10th, for the Church Penitentiary Association. The amounts were :—

	£	s.	d.
At Hambleden	3	15	2
At Frieth	1	0	11
	£4	16	1

### LENT AND HOLY WEEK SERVICES.

There has been a Service with Sermon at Hambleden every Wednesday evening, and at Frieth every Thursday evening. These Services have been well attended. It is intended to continue them till Easter ; and it is hoped that during Holy Week similar Services may be held on other evenings, if not daily. Notice will be given during Divine Service on the Sunday previous.

Easter falls so late this year, and the Spring is so early, that the usual flowers will not be available for decorating the Churches at Easter. We are requested to invite persons of all ages to bring or send Primroses to Church on Good Friday afternoon and evening, or early on the morning of Easter Eve. And both at Hambleden and Frieth the personal services of those who are willing to assist in the decorations will be thankfully accepted.

We may remind all our readers that the rule of the Church is, that all persons shall come to Holy Communion at Easter. The Holy Sacrament will be celebrated, as usual, both at Hambleden and Frieth, early and at mid-day on Easter Sunday ; at Hambleden at 7.30 a.m., at Frieth at 8 a.m.



## MEDMENHAM CORNER.

### BIRTH.

March 19th. Mrs. Tilbury, of a son.

On March 25th, was held the first of our Vestry Meetings, at which Mr. John Fawell and Mr. Henry John Todd were nominated Overseers of the Poor. The Surveyor's accounts produced, examined and approved. Mr. Philip Hobbs appointed Surveyor of the Highways; and Mr. Thomas Dorrell, Joseph Bird, and Joseph Shurvell, named as eligible to serve the office of Constable.

### PAROCHIAL FUND FOR 1877.

RECEIVED.	£ s. d.	EXPENSES.	£ s. d.
Balance from 1876 - - - -	1 14 0 $\frac{3}{4}$	Church Expenses - - - -	8 18 2
Miss Scott Murray - - - -	7 0 0	Organ - - - - -	1 17 6
Mrs. Spencer Ryder - - - -	2 10 0	School Mistress - - - -	47 12 2
Mr. Wm. and Miss Hobbs - -	5 0 0	„ Expenses - - - -	9 2 0
Mr. Philip Hobbs - - - -	2 0 0	„ Cleaning - - - -	2 8 0
Grant from Government - -	5 0 0	Alms to Poor - - - -	7 16 6
Mr. and Mrs. Dyson - - - -	1 1 0	Firing and Clothing Clubs -	7 16 4
Robert Crossman, Esq. - -	3 0 0	Books for Parochial use - -	0 4 0
T. O. Wethered, Esq., M.P.	4 0 0		
Exeter, Pembroke, and } Jesus' Colleges .. - }	6 6 0		£85 14 8
Mr. James Ralston - - - -	0 15 0		
C. R. Scott Murray, Esq. } (for Parish) - - - - }	6 6 0		
Colonel Oakes (Aug. 5th) - -	5 0 0		
Rev. W. and Mrs. Hill - - -	5 0 0		
Church Box - - - - -	0 6 7 $\frac{3}{4}$		
Offertory - - - - -	5 19 3		
Collected in Church, April 8	2 15 2 $\frac{1}{2}$		
„ „ „ „ Aug. 5	2 5 6 $\frac{3}{4}$		
„ „ „ „ Sep. 23	2 2 2		
School pence - - - - -	2 6 6		
	£70 7 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	Deficiency - - - -	70 7 4 $\frac{3}{4}$
			15 7 3 $\frac{1}{4}$
			£85 14 8

It will be seen that the expenditure above has increased considerably upon last year, while the receipts are rather the other way.

With respect to the School expenses which are so much heavier, there is this explanation, that a great quantity of School materials were necessary, and considerable repairs had to be done. The particulars are to be seen in the vouchers, which, with the cash book, must be shewn to H. M. Inspector when he next visits the School. But although the explanation has some value, yet it must be confessed that the account has a very awkward look; the deficiency is serious. As we cannot hold out hopes that in future years the expenditure will be much less, it behoves all to lend a hand in meeting the difficulty.

On Easter Day there will be two celebrations of the Holy Communion, the first at 8 a.m., the second after Morning Prayers.