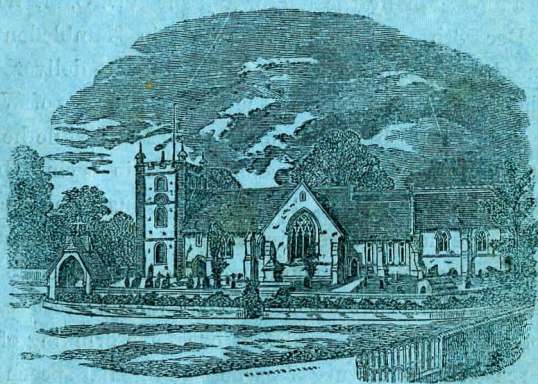


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## Extracts from the Parish Registers.

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### BAPTISMS.

- Dec. 8 (Born Sept. 21)—Fred., son of Charles and Annie Wakefield, of Moors End.  
Dec. 22 (Born Oct. )—Fred., son of Edmund and Caroline Higgs, of Bottom House.

### BURIALS.

- Dec. 8 (Died Dec. 3)—Sarah Lane, aged 84 years.  
Dec. 12 (Died Dec. 7)—Jane Elliott, aged 78 years.  
Dec. 20 (Died Dec. 14)—Ernest Arthur Futter, aged 1½ year.
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### CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

A Branch of this very valuable and useful Institution has at length been formed here. Sermons on the subject were preached both at Hambleden and Frieth by the Rector and the Rev. C. M. Wetherall, on Sunday, Dec. 8th. A Meeting was held in Hambleden School-room, on Tuesday, the 10th, at which addresses were delivered by the Rector, Archdeacon Purey-Cust, and the Rev. S. Sturges, of Wargrave. The Rector wished it to be clearly understood that, while he pleaded very earnestly indeed with all persons to join in trying, by every means in their power, to check the use of strong drink, he did not advocate Total Abstinence, except in certain cases, and for the young. He entreated employers and labourers to give their attention, in the months which now intervene before the hay and harvest seasons, to the point of lessening the mischief of excessive drinking of beer in those busy seasons. Mr. Sturges' earnest and genial speech will not be soon forgotten. He spoke as a Total Abstainer. His story of James and Susan made a great impression. James was able to win the heart of Susan by having saved £35 through abstinence from drink. Susan saw that he was a man of self control and high principle, likely, therefore, to make a good and loving husband.

The Meeting at Frieth was on Wednesday, the 11th December. Then the Archdeacon made a most interesting and impressive speech, telling very serious anecdotes of the evils of strong drink in the upper as well as lower classes of society, which I understand his own observation.



Though only a few persons actually enrolled themselves at the time, we feel that a good beginning has been made, and we fully hope for a large increase of members at an early date.

A Juvenile Branch was opened on the 23rd Dec. No boy or girl can be admitted without their parents' written consent. For this printed forms are supplied.

### CHURCH MISSIONS, 1877.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Barnett, Mrs. ... ..	0	6	0	Cross, Jane... ..	0	2	0
Biggs, Mrs.... ..	0	4	0	Dyer, Mrs. ....	0	1	3½
Piercey, Mrs. ....	0	6	0	Falkner, Mrs. ....	0	3	1½
Ryder, Miss ....	1	0	0	Gerard, Mrs. ....	0	4	0
Ridley, Rev. W. H. & Mrs.	2	2	0	Harris, Mrs. ....	0	4	3½
Schwabe, G. C., Esq. ....	1	0	0	Hobbs, Mrs. H. J. ....	0	5	6½
Soundy, Mrs. ....	0	6	0	Hobbs, Widow H. ....	0	1	5
Stone, Mrs.... ..	0	6	0	Joseph, Widow Jane ...	0	0	9½
Sherrin, Rev. J. B. ....	0	5	0	Lailey, Master ....	0	7	5½
Toovey, Mrs. ....	0	6	0	Parmoor Servants ....	0	11	11½
Wetherall, Rev. C. M. & Mrs.	0	10	0	Peach, Mrs.... ..	0	1	3½
Small Subs: at Hambleton	0	11	2	Rectory ....	1	4	0½
Ditto at Frieth ... ..	0	5	1	Toovey, the Misses ....	0	14	4½
Ditto at Skirmett ....	0	6	5	Webbe, Deborah ....	0	0	11
Ditto at Millend... ..	0	9	0	West, Mrs. E. ....	0	1	7½
Ditto at Burrow... ..	0	0	7	Wetherall, Mrs. ....	0	13	5½
Harvest Thanksgiving Col- lection ... ..	21	16	7½	Sunday School Girls ...	0	4	11½
Ditto at Frieth ... ..	3	5	1½	Meeting at Hambleton ...	1	8	9½
Ditto at Skirmett ....	0	13	3	Ditto at Frieth ... ..	0	17	1½
Waste Paper ... ..	0	9	3	(For Mr. Perham's Mission at Serawak.)			
BOXES:—							
A. J. G. ....	0	1	7½			43	0 0
Barlow, Catherine ....	0	7	5½	Lailey, Mr.... ..	0	10	0
Barnett, Mrs. ....	0	9	0½	Ridley, Mrs. ....	0	10	0
Biggs, Mrs.... ..	0	1	9½	(For Zanzibar.)			
Brown, M. & H.... ..	0	1	6			£44	0 0
Bushnell, Mrs. ....	0	1	2½				
Cook, Mrs. ....	0	1	5½				

### NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

The Schools broke up on Friday, the 20th December, for the Christmas holidays. Before the children took leave, the prizes were distributed for regular attendance with cleanliness. About seventy children in the two Schools received the prizes. There were eleven children who had not missed a single attendance in the year. Mrs. Schwabe came to assist in the distribution at Hambleton, and expressed herself much pleased with the good apparently resulting from the prizes.



The following new subscriptions have been received :—

	£	s.	d.
Biggs, Mrs. ... ..	0	2	6
Burgh, J. R., Esq. ... ..	2	2	0
Keene, Mr. C. D. ... ..	1	0	0
Smith, Mr. S. ... ..	1	0	0

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## MEDMENHAM CORNER.

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### BIRTH.

December 11th.—Mrs. Dorrell, of a daughter.

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The relaxation which is very properly allowed at Christmas tide, has this effect upon the Magazine, that it requires the matter to be sent to press almost before there is any to send.

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As the proceeds of the Day of Intercession, we were able to send seventeen shillings to the Diocesan Missionary Candidates' Association. We shall have been late with our Sermons for the Propagation of the Gospel ; but Sunday the 29th December, is not *too* late. The Vicar was obliged to accept the best opportunity of procuring a capable person to deliver the Addresses. As once before, the Sunday Services have been made to do a two-fold part, there having been no Meeting in the School Room.

THE SCHOOL. The activity of the School Attendance Officer has doubtless had the effect of bringing home to certain minds the reality of the pressure which the Government exercises in the matter of education. It may be here stated with advantage that the person above alluded to visits the School at certain times and enquires about the children's attendances, marking all absentees. And yet further, a School list of names, with ages and attendances, has to be sent to the Board of Guardians without delay. Thus it will be impossible for any child to escape from the knowledge of those who have to put the Education Act into force.

Perhaps some have wondered what had become of the medallions which used to be in one of the Church windows. We hope they are now pleased with the re-setting which has been done by Mr. Taylor, of 4, Berners street. If any persons are disposed to help to defray the expense, which is at present an unknown quantity, the Vicar will be much relieved.