

# extracts from the edarish Begisters. 

## BAPTISMS.

Oct. 5 (Born Sept. 11), Blanche Julia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Cripps.
Oct. 19 (Born Sept. 5), Helen Elizabeth, daughter of Charles and Esther Gray, of Pheasant's Hill.
Same day (Born Sept. 5), Henry, son of James and Louisa Small, of Hambleden.
Same day (born Sept. 18), Charles, son of Alfred and Sarah Lambourne, of Millend.

## MARRIAGES.

Oct. 11.-Joseph Lydiard and Clara Clarke.
Oct. 12.-Kobert Canvin and Sarah Ann Pink.

## YOUNG MEN'S INSTITUTES.

The Reading-rooms at Hambleden and Frieth have been in full swing this month, and have been well attended. Mr. W. H. Smith, of Greenlands, has presented a Bagatelle Board to that at Hambleden, and at present it so absorbs the attention of the young men, that newspapers, cards, other games, and even the fire have been neglected.

The Rector's address on Switzerland and the Alps will have been delivered in both Schoolrooms before this reaches our readers, but we fear too late for us to give a report of it till next month.

## HAMBLEDEN CHURCH TOWER.

The works have made much more rapid progress since, after a visit of inspection by the architect and builder, the foreman was removed, and a new foreman, but an old friend, being the same who was foreman 20 years ago when the Church was restored, was sent in his place. We hope that some considerable time before our next issue the whole of the work now contemplated will have been completed. We feel sure the work will excite general admiration.

## PENNY SAVINGS' BANK.

We invited attention to this very useful institution some months ago. A few persons, and, we regret to say, only a few, have availed themselves of it. In these difficult times it is more than ever necessary to take care that nothing be wasted. We all know the old proverb, "Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves." When the available number of pence is smaller, this care becomes more and more necessary. If more persons had.taken this care, they would have had something of their own at hand now to help them in a pressing difficulty.

It is specially desirable to impress this care on the attention of the young. With a view to encourage this, the Young Ladies of the

Rectory propose to attend at Hambleden School every Wednesday at 12 o'clock to receive any small. sums, a penny or more, which any of the children may bring. In some of the Parishes in the neighbourhood, very considerable sums are laid by in the course of the year in this manner. We earnestly invite the attention of parents and children to the Penny Savings' Bank. It will be found much more useful and wholesome than the expenditure of so many half-pence in lollypops.

## MISSIONS.

A Missionary Meeting will be held in Hambleden Schoolroom on Wednesday, Nov. 26th. The Rev. R. N. Heanly will attend as Commissary of Bishop Steere, of the Central African Mission, to give information respecting that Mission, and to endeavour to excite a greater interest in its work.

It is requested that all the missionary boxes be sent in to the Rectory by December 1st.

## HARVEST THANKSGIVING.

The Harvest this year has been so peculiar, and while we write not completely finished, that the Rector felt it desirable to preach on the subject at the beginning of the month, to prepare persons to observe the Thanksgiving Festival in a fitting manner. The consequence was that very considerable interest was displayed in the Services on Sunday, the 26th Oct., when the morning sermon at Hambleden, and the afternoon sermon at Frieth, were preached by the Rev. Vernon T. Green, Vicar of Littlemore in Oxfordshire. There were two celebrations of Holy Communion at each Church, to enable a large number of persons to communicate, the Rector having suggested that as there is at home a scanty supply of bodily food, it is our duty to give more earnest and special heed to the spiritual food which God supplies us in such rich abundance.

The collections throughout the day amounted at Hambleden to $£ 18$ 2s. $11 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{~d}$., and at Frieth to $£ 219 \mathrm{~s} .11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$.

## MEDMENHAM CORNER.

## MARRIAGES.

Oct. 16th.-Arthur George Austin to Sarah Ann Saw. " -James Anderson to Evangeline Maria Dyson.

Marriages are of rare occurrence in our small parish, therefore when two take place in one day we villagers are unusually excited. The 16 th of October will be remembered for the double event. At the marriage of Miss Dyson the choir was present, and their singing added much to the solemnity as well as the brightness of the service. All good wishes follow the young people to their new homes.

We have now received the best practical proof of the wisdom, not to say duty, of responding every year to the Bishop's Pastoral Letter,
which letter, as we know, is always in behalf of one of the "three Diocesan Societies." It may be remembered that at his two last visits to our School, H.M. Inspector said that new desks and fittings were necessary, and that they ought to be provided. This, of course, implied considerable expense, more indeed than was in our power to meet. Application was therefore made to the Diocesan Board of Education, and a grant of $£ 10$, which is the highest ever given for the purpose, was made to our School. We are thus under great obligations once more (for we have been helped before) to the Diocesan Board for their timely help. If we had not been in the habit of responding to the Pastoral Letter by collections in Church, we should have had no face to apply for assistance, and certainly no right to expect it.

Harvest. - Never has the thanksgiving for fair weather been more cheerfully used, we should think, than this year. What a wonderful change has taken place in the aspect of the fields! We hope also no slight change for the better in the prospects of agriculturists.

The Sunday Evening Services at Woodend re-commenced on Oct. 26.
On Monday, the 29th September, our eleven went up to Frieth, and received a good beating, as the score underneath will show. Thus the two clubs leave off on terms of equality, for in the former match Medmenham was successful.

MEDMENHAM.


The Club has won four and lost three matches this season.

