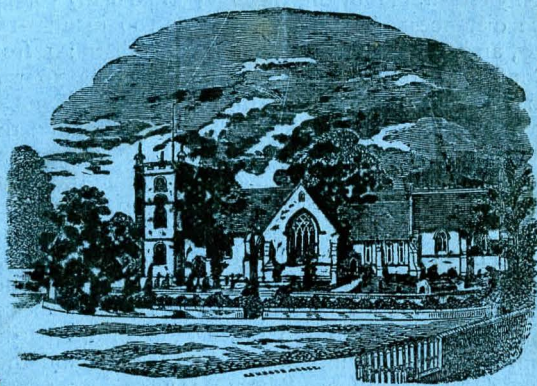


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Extracts from the Parish Registers.

BAPTISMS.

- February 8th (born January 7th).—Arthur Sumner, son of Charles Maunsell and Mary Sophia Wetherall, of Frieth.
Same day (born January 16th).—Lizzie, daughter of Alfred and Eliza Coker, of Rockwellend.
February 9th (born January 14th).—Reginald James, son of Thomas and Mary Ann West, of Frieth.
February 22nd (born November 29th, 1879).—Frank James, son of Walter and Elizabeth Eady, of Pheasants Hill.
Same day (born December 12th, 1879).—Fred William, son of George and Matilda Holland, of Hambleton.

DEATHS.

- February 21st (died February 18th).—Reginald James West, infant.
February 26th (died February 23rd).—Emily Parslow, aged $2\frac{3}{4}$ years.

CONFIRMATION.

The Bishop held a Confirmation in Hambleton Church, on Tuesday, February 10th, at 11 a.m. It was a lovely day, the weather highly favourable for the travelling of so many young persons considerable distances. There were nearly 100 in all—15 coming from Fawley, and about as many from Medmenham; 1 from Bray; 64 were Confirmed from our own parish, of whom 30 were males and 34 females. One young man, of Frieth, had been Confirmed the afternoon previous at Fingest. They were, taking them altogether, a very satisfactory body of Candidates. There must always be on such occasions some cases of difficulty, but the Clergy have reason to believe that, on the whole, those who have received the imposition of hands were in earnest, and had profited considerably by the course of preparation which they had gone through. The arrangements in the Church on the day were excellent, and thanks to the exertions of the Churchwardens, everything was conducted with great quietness, and to the satisfaction of all parties. The Bishop's addresses were plain, and to the purpose, and the persons confirmed paid great attention. There was a good attendance of the Choir, and the Ringers greeted the Bishop, on the solemn occasion of his visit, with cheerful music on the Church Bells.

The classes have been continued for a time, in order to prepare the young people for the yet further privilege now offered to them in the Holy Communion.

LENT SERVICES.

These Services have hitherto been well attended. The Preachers on Wednesday Evenings at Hambleton have been, on Ash Wednesday, the Rector; on February 18th, Rev. G. R. Faulkner; February 25th, Rev. W. Hill. The Preachers in March are, Rev. R. Bruce Dickson, Rev. G. V. Clements, and Rev. J. A. Cree.

At Frieth, on Thursday Evenings, they have had the Rev. R. Bruce Dickson, Rev. W. Hill, and Rev. E. Edgerley, and are hoping to have Rev. A. Almack.

The parish has just lost its oldest surviving inhabitant, Mr. William Keene, of Pheasants Hill, formerly of Woolley. He was in his 90th year.

HOME MISSIONS.

Meetings have been held this last week, at Hambleden on Thursday, the 26th of February, and at Frieth, on Friday, the 27th, in connection with this very interesting subject. The Rev. A. B. Donaldson, Organising Secretary of the Additional Curates' Society for this Diocese, came and made very interesting addresses. A great many persons were glad to welcome him again, and to renew the acquaintance which Hambleden had made with him in Holy Week, 1876.

The following Subscriptions have been received towards the Fund for supplying to the poor, in compensation for the almost total failure of garden produce in 1879, Rice, Oatmeal, and Potatoes for seed. If any other persons will contribute, their gifts will be thankfully accepted by the Rector and Churchwardens. About £20 more is wished for.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Burgon, J. R., Esq.	2	2	0	Schwabe, G. C., Esq.	10	0	0
Deane, A. J., Esq.	1	10	0	Scott Murray, C. R., Esq. ...	15	0	0
Mackarness, G., Esq.	2	0	0	Smith, Rt. Hon. W. H., M.P. ...	15	0	0
Ridley, Rev. W. H.	12	0	0	Stanley, Hon. M. M.	2	0	0
Robson, Capt.	11	0	0	A Friend	5	0	0
Ryder, Admiral and Miss ...	10	0	0				

MEDMENHAM CORNER.

BIRTH.

February 7th.—Mrs. Thomas Brown (Woodend), of a daughter.

BAPTISM.

February 8th.—Frederick Barksfield.

IN presenting the Yearly Account of the Parochial Fund, a few remarks are necessary. The deficiency, which was large enough last year, is a little less this year. It is really to be hoped that a way may be found for putting an end to this unsatisfactory state of things. If we compare the April (1879) number of the Magazine, we shall see that in subscriptions alone there has been a falling off of £10 4s. That being the case, it is something to have made even a small gain on last year, instead of being in a worse plight. The School expenses look very large, but then it must be remembered an extraordinary expense was forced on us by the Government. This, however, was almost entirely covered by the munificent help of the Diocesan Board of Education. Relatively, the School expenses, leaving out salaries, are only about half what they were.

The Church expenses are 15s. 6d. more, which is to be explained by the extra care taken to keep the Church-yard in good order. In several respects it will be seen there has been a considerable saving.

PAROCHIAL FUND, 1879.

<i>Received.</i>	£ s. d.	<i>Expenses.</i>	£ s. d.
Miss Scott Murray	7 0 0	Deficiency from 1878... ..	13 18 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mr. Wm. Hobbs	5 0 0	Church Expenses	9 0 9
Sir Wm. Clayton, Bart. ...	3 0 0	School Mistress	43 12 6
Mr. Richard and Miss		„ House Rent	4 10 0
Blackwell	1 11 0	„ Cleaning	2 9 0
Exeter, Pembroke, and Jesus		„ Expenses	13 10 10
Colleges	6 6 6	Alms to Poor	5 13 0
Robt. Crossman, Esq. ...	3 0 0	Firing and Clothing Clubs	5 18 10
T. O. Wethered, Esq., M.P.	4 0 0	Books for Parish	0 10 11
T. S. Townsend, Esq. ...	3 3 0	Organ Tuning, 1878 & 1879,	
Mr. R. Dixon	0 10 0	with new springs	2 15 0
Mr. James Ralston	0 15 0		
Mr. Phillip Hobbs	2 0 0		
C. R. Scott Murray, Esq. (for			
Parish)	6 6 0		
Coll. in Church, 2nd March	2 11 3		
„ „ 6th April..	0 13 4		
„ „ 13th April	1 9 1		
„ „ 1st June..	1 9 7		
„ „ 19th Oct.	2 0 8		
Offertory	5 0 9		
Grant from Government ...	14 0 10		
School Pence	3 4 8		
Mrs. Dyson... ..	1 0 0		
Rev. W. and Mrs. Hill ...	5 0 0		
Grant from Diocesan Board			
of Education	10 0 0		
Deficiency	12 18 3 $\frac{3}{4}$		
	£101 19 5 $\frac{3}{4}$		£101 19 5 $\frac{3}{4}$

We have been fortunate, so far, this Lent, in obtaining Preachers for our extra services. We ought to be grateful to those who have taken the trouble to come.

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

At the Confirmation in Hambleden Church, on February 10th, *ten* males and *six* females were confirmed.