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Baptism.

May 9.—Ralph, son of George and Alice Marie Batchelor.

" 16.—Charles Frederick, son of James and Louisa Small.

" 30.—Ella Annie, daughter of Thomas and Hermina Hurford.

N.B.—The Rector desires to remind parents that Holy Baptism is administered, as a rule, on the first Sunday in the month at 3 p.m.; on the third and fifth Sundays after the Second Lesson at Evensong.

Burial.

May 29.—Elizabeth Higgins, aged 77.

S. John's, Frieth.

Baptism.

May 7.--Julia Bristow.

Burial.

May 7.—Julia Bristow, aged one month.
" 18.—Theodore Henry Ernest Stretch, aged 22 years.

The news of the death of the last-mentioned in our chituary came as a great shock upon all who knew him. Though it a resider in the parish, he was baptized in Frieth Church; and had constantly been in and out amongst us. Many had known him from childhood; others had become acquainted with him as a famous oarsman, having rowed in the University boat-race, and having appeared in successive years at Henley. Nothing could have been more solemn and impressive than the funeral. The glorious sunshine, the bright fresh green of early summer, the quietness of the spot, the bear two of the surrounding scene, the large number of mourners. The entives of three generations, the friends from Oxford, Radley, Windon, and elsewhere, the sympathetic crowd of the inhabitants of Frieth and the neighbourhood of every age and station in life, the large white-robed Choir, the beautiful flowers—all helped to bring home the thought so touchingly expressed by our Church's poet in "The Christian Year," in the words addressed to mourners—

Then cheerly to your work again,
With hearts new braced and set,
To run, untir'd, love's blessed race,
As meet for those who face to face
Over the grave their Lord have met.

The Nector was assisted by Rev. R. S. Hassard, Vicar of S. James', Notting Hill, the Church with which Mr. Stretch was connected, and the Rev. Canon Utterton, Vicar of Leatherhead. Hymns 266 and 264 were sung. The coffin was covered with the flag of the Leander Club.

Jubilee Gift to Hambleden.

We are authorised to announce that the Hon. W. F. D. Smith, M.P., has promised to build as a Jubilee gift a New School and Teachers' House on a site kindly given by Mr. Scott-Murray.

It is a very noble gift, and one which will be very much appreciated. Our School has been a very good one in its time: but the requirements of the Education Department have increased, and very properly so. It will be a very great blessing to have a School of greater

width, with better light and ventilation, with more space for the Infants to drill, with better Class-room and Cloak-rooms. And no one who knows what it is to spend the greater part of the day in rooms containing 140 children will begrudge the Teachers a more spacious house and garden to themselves, which is not a part of the Boys' playground.

The old School will then be available as a **Yillage Hall** for the various purposes for which such a place is wanted: concerts, lectures, balls, mothers' meetings, cookery and laundry classes, boys' Institute,

Church Lads' Brigade drill, etc., etc., etc.

Hambleden Hlower Show.

The Committee have decided to hold the Flower Show in the last week in July. Prizes will be offered in Division I. to all cottagers in Hambleden and Skirmett, and in Division II. to those who are not employed in private gardens and no member of whose family living at home works in a private garden. There will also be classes for Fruit, Bee-farming, Needle-work, and Laundry-work.

It is hoped to arrange for Sports in connection with the Show. Further particulars will be published in bills which will be visible in

due course.

Lane End.

Some of our readers will like to know that the new Organ in Lane End Church will be dedicated on Saturday, June 5th, at 3 p.m., by the Bishop of Reading. There will be a public tea at 4.30. Tickets may be obtained beforehand for 6d. (on the day itself for 8d.) on application at the Vicarage. An Organ Recital will be given at 6.30.

The Parishioners of Hambleden have more than a neighbourly interest in the Church of Lane End. It was due to the exertions of Canon Ridley that it was formed into a Parish in 1867, and that the present Church was built. A part of Hambleden Parish was a signed to Lane End district.

Hambleden School.

Miss Maud Nation from Bisley, near Stroud, has been appointed to succeed Miss Bern, who has gone to take charge of a small School at Weston Patrick, not far from Basingstoke. Weston Patrick has the fortune of having a lady for Churchwarden: she is also the Manager of the School. Miss Bern received a substantial token of the goodwill of teachers and scholars in the shape of a Prayer book and a Photograph Album.

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By Choir payments, etc.			200	Returned to 6 boys		 0	1	6
(Mr. Burry)	0	3	9	Two footballs		 0	10	0
Members' subscriptions	0	11	9	Netting twine		 0	12	8
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Miss L. Deane	0	5	0	Boxing Gloves				
Football returned	0	5	0	Cleaning		 1	0	0
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HAMBLEDEN SUNDAY SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

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N.B.-A copy of Magazine for June 1896 wanted. Apply to the Rector.

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BAPTISM.

May 23.—Ellen Annie Cooke.

DEATH.

May 3.—Henry J. Todd.

If there is anything in work done from sheer love and zeal; if there is anything in helping to improve the opportunities of others, then assuredly there is a great deal in what was done through a lengthy course of active efforts by Mr. Todd, whose death we heard of with much regret. Perhaps few can remember how regularly and gladly he gave his aid to assist the musical part of our Church Services it the early years of the present Vicar's sojourn. He was seldom at ent from the practices, and never if he could help it. He had a knowledge which he was able to impart, and without which we should have had to content ourselves with a very inferior standard of singing. Moreover, he placed the Choir in a position in which it was able to carry on without him, and, with further help, to improve on first instruction. It is due to Mr. Todd, and it is a pleasure to say that he laid the foundation of our little Choir, and was a chief hand in procuring the Organ for our Church.

This year, and especially this month of the year, calls forth the most loyal thankfulness from every British heart. Let us remember that both Church and State recommend Sunday, June 20th, for celebration of our religious joy, and Tuesday the 22nd, for the joy we would shew as citizens. We hope that both days will be observed most heartily.

This year is also much to be observed as being the thirteenth Centenary of the coming of Augustine, the first Archbishop of Canterbury. There was a special Service in our Church with an address by the Vicar on the 26th May. It is of interest to note that the Vicar of High Wycombe has invited the neighbouring Choirs and ours among them to a high Service of Song in the Parish Church of High Wycombe at 6 p.m., on the 9th of June, to mark the occasion.